



DITCHINGHAM PRIMARY ACADEMY

7th October 2022



Message from our Executive Head, Mrs. Brand: This week I have been hugely impressed by all the work that has been shared with me from across the variety of curriculum subjects. I have been entertained by children singing or playing the recorders. I have enjoyed seeing just how much maths work is in children's books and hearing about the different challenges that they are working hard to solve. Well done everyone!

Robins I am so pleased by how quickly the children have settled into their learning this week and it has been lovely to witness their positive approach to learning. During science this week we have been carrying out the first part of our longitudinal study, exploring our changing world, observing the changes across the four seasons describing changes in the weather, including animals that can be found. The children have had so much fun taking part in a scavenger hunt and carefully recording their findings inside their 'Our changing world' diaries. The children have worked exceptionally hard in maths this week, exploring the concept of finding '1 more'. The children have identified 1 more than a number of different objects in the classroom, recorded 1 more on tens frames, as well as number lines and have gained confidence in recording answers as part of a number sentence.

Woodpeckers This week in Woodpeckers we have had lots of fun doing mark making using a range of different materials and mark making tools in our Art lessons. We also used black paper and white paint to create an owl in the night sky using a range of different marks and tools. In PSHE this week, we started to look at what Black History Month is and looking at some famous people surrounding Black History such as Nelson Mandela and Harriet Tubman. In Science, we have started our longitudinal study and have chosen a habitat in the playground where each season we can go and investigate the types of plants and animals that live there. Thank you for supporting the children with their reading at home, it is really making a big difference to their learning!

Barn Owls Barn Owls have had a busy and thoughtful week. We have finished our own versions of the 'King of the Fishes' story, and we have continued to read and enjoy 'The Firework Makers' Daughter' and 'The Butterfly Lion'. In maths we have investigated and mastered rounding numbers up to the nearest 10 and 100 and we are now investigating rounding to 1000. We have discussed why we have seasons and have written detailed explanations about the earth's tilt and how it orbits the sun every year. We have also written our first Science investigation, making sure we carried out a fair test. Finally, we have discussed our future aspirations in PSHE and enjoyed football with Elliott from Ipswich Town Football Club.

Golden Eagles This week in Golden Eagles we have continued learning all about evacuation in History. In music we learned and performed a duet on the recorders using the notes A and B. In PSHE we learned about how laws are made in our country and in RE we researched the Waveney Foodbank and began our information posters, which we will be presenting at our harvest church service.

Upcoming Dates

12/10 – Langley Cross Country

14/10 – Harvest Festival

24/10 – 28/10 – Half Term

Reminders

We are collecting items to donate to Waveney Foodbank as part of our Harvest Festival they are urgently in need of Sugar, UHT Fruit Juice and Instant Mash. They have plenty of cereal, pasta and soup.

Please ensure your children's clothes and belonging are clearly labelled.

Ditchingham Academy Friends

DAFs are collecting clothes for Bag2School collection date is 6th December.

Each class is collecting 5ps in order to win a prize!

Attendance

Many thanks for your support with attendance. This week our whole school attendance figure was **94.67%**. We know that ensuring good levels of attendance at school has a significant impact on positive outcomes with children's learning.

Who's who!

Name – Mr J Frary

Role – Woodpecker Class Teacher

Favourite School Subject – Maths and Science

Hobbies – Long walks in the countryside and swimming in the sea



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Woodpeckers

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and your family.

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flying start in their education - Ofsted
2022*

*Pupils are very happy at this school. They
understand and live up to the school's
values of friendship, creativity and respect
which underpin school life. In this safe
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and confidence. - Ofsted 2022*



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