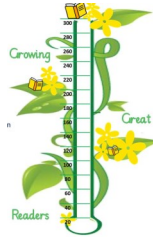


Dear Families,

We really are 'Growing Great Readers' at Watermoor! The children are excited to share their class total of reads at home in celebration worship each Friday... and find out which class is closest to their goal!



A huge thank you for supporting this at home by reading with your child and writing in their diary each time you do so. Developing confident readers is a vital part of growing and flourishing across the curriculum.

### Clubs

We are pleased to be able to provide a wide range of clubs at Watermoor.

As with many other schools, our teachers volunteer their own time to deliver clubs at lunchtime or after-school. We limit numbers for some clubs to ensure that ratios are in line with health and safety guidelines; there are clubs with unlimited spaces so that your child doesn't miss out. We change the clubs on offer three times per year to ensure that a wide range of activities are provided across the age ranges and in response to attendance at each club. Reception access clubs from the summer term onwards.



We also hire out our facilities to a range of local club providers which your children can access on-site after school or at weekends.

Mr Rosser is in charge of organising our sporting events; children take part in events such as football and rugby tournaments, the swimming gala and gymnastics. We normally ask the children if they would like to take part, then send out forms to those indicated 'yes', as it's important that engagement and attendance remains high ahead of a scheduled event.



For information about the clubs on offer this term, including information and contact details for our on-site paid club providers, please see the Clubs Offer attached.

You can also find information about the newly opened local gymnastics club at Watermoor Point here: <https://www.cotswoldgymnastics.co.uk/>

### FOW Updates

As always, a huge thank you for supporting the events that our hard-working group of parents put on to raise money for our school. We have a substantial amount put aside to develop our very own Forest School in the amphitheatre; something that will really benefit the children for years to come.



You will also have received a slip asking for your input on what else you would like to see money spent on in school, be that books, trips & experiences. something outside... or something else! Please do share your thoughts and ideas. If you would like to get involved and have fun raising money with a friendly team of people, please email [fow@watermoor.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:fow@watermoor.gloucs.sch.uk)

### Key events next week:

Mon 29th Jan	
Tues 30th Jan	
Wed 31st Jan	Y5 swimming
Thurs 1st Feb	
Fri 2nd Feb	

Best wishes and have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs L Smith  
Headteacher

# WOW Edition...

### Our Vision Award winners this week:

Reception:

- Y1: Scarlett
- Y2: Niamh
- Y3: Billy
- Y4: Daniel
- Y5: Arthur
- Y6: Jenna



### Our Value Award winners this week:

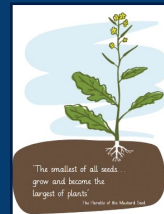
Reception: Freddie

- Y1: Jax
- Y2: Theo
- Y3: Ella-Mae
- Y4: Hugo
- Y5: Eira
- Y6: Amelia



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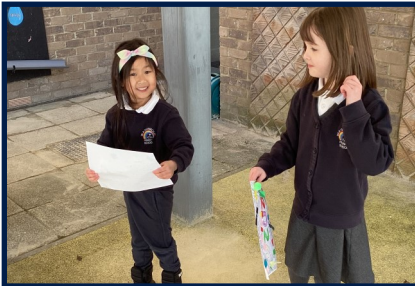
# Pre-School



We are having so much fun learning, exploring and making friends in Fireflies this term!



# Reception



Did you know that being outside helps us to develop our language skills? Evidence shows that children speak more when they are learning outdoors! Just one of many reasons why our outdoor provision is so important in Pixies...



# Year 1

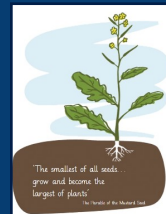


Fawns Class have loved exploring different toys from the past as part of their learning in history this term!



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## Year 2



The Unicorns have been learning about how to keep ourselves healthy and the importance of exercise and good hygiene. We did an experiment to see what would happen when you put your finger in peppery water (the pepper representing germs) without soap and when you put your finger into the peppery water with soap. The results were fascinating!



## Year 3



In music this term, the Griffins have enjoyed learning to play glockenspiels whilst learning about pitch, tempo and rhythm...



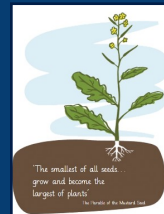
## Year 4

Dragons have been making Bronze-Age weapon moulds with potatoes and jelly in History and finding out what makes a fair test when experimenting with the properties of rocks in science.



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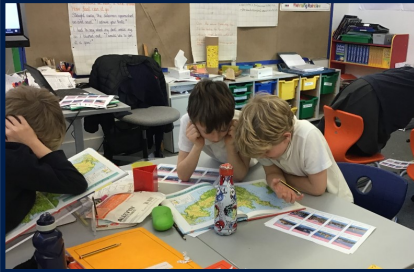
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## Year 5



Giants have been exploring maps in their Geography learning this week, finding human and physical geographical features.



## Year 6



Phoenixes have been learning about Captain Scott and his Antarctic expedition.

They recreated some of his photographs and experimented with filters make them look realistic!



## Gymnastics

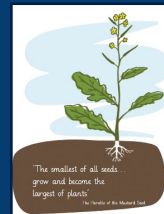


Three children attended an amazing gymnastics taster session with Cotswold Gymnastics!



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