



# Filleigh Primary School's Monthly News

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## A Message from the Head of School

What an exciting month full of wonderful events! We have had a farm show trip, Bikeability, a cross-country running competition and a harvest festival... to name a few!

The pupils of Filleigh school have been an absolute credit throughout and staff have been so proud to receive positive feedback on all these occasions. Well done, everyone!  
Have a safe and happy half term.

Mrs Eggleton.



## Dates for your Diary

First Day of Term Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October	Individual Class photos Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Visioning Afternoon Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> November 2.45pm – 3.30pm	Children in Need Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November
Flu vaccine (Receptio – Year 6) Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Christmas Performance Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December - 2.30pm	Christmas Performance Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December - 5.30pm	Last Day of Term Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December

## What's been happening this month?

### Football Matches

*Both Stags and Buzzards football teams have played against Bishops Nympton Primary School this month. Both teams did exceptionally well.*



*exceptionally well as a team – well done!*

*This was the first time Buzzards have played together as a team and it was great to watch. The Stags team won their match 4-2 with great goals from Harry, Max and Theo C who scored 2! It was a great game and all them played*



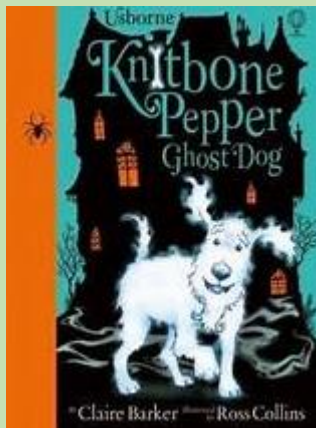


Buzzards team also had an exciting match against South Molton Community Primary School. Unfortunately, the score line did not represent how well they played. The effort and enthusiasm the team displayed was incredible with great goals from Fred and Charlie.



### Exciting visitors

We are very lucky to welcome Claire Barker into school this month.



She is a local author who is very passionate about getting children involved in books.

On her first session this month she took some children on a Bear Hunt!



James Gillam from the Dulverton and Exmoor Library Festival. He came to tell us all about an exciting writing competition which the children were very excited about.

The children thoroughly enjoyed listening to him and they had some great ideas for a story they named "Life on the Farm".

### Cross Country Event

Some of our KS2 children took part in a really tough cross-country event in Torrington. The course was





really muddy but they managed to complete the race without losing their trainers unlike some competitors! The children showed our school values of resilience, community and independence as they competed against 60 other schools from Devon. We are incredibly proud of you all!





## Harvest Festival

A huge thank you to the parenting community of our school for coming out to support the children in their Harvest Festival service. Your support allowed for a safe transition between school and the church and made the children's hard work feel so valued.

We hope you enjoyed the service as much as we did and look forward to welcoming you to our next whole school event.



## Notice Board

### BREAKFAST CLUB:

If you haven't already done so and you would like to book you're your child into breakfast club please e-mail [admin@filleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@filleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk). Breakfast club is open to pre-school children up to year 6. You must book in advance so we ensure we have enough members of staff to comply with the ratios.

### CHILDREN IN NEED:

Children in need day will be Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November. The school council have decided they would like to raise money for this great cause by holding a non-school uniform day for all the children and a suggested donation of £1 will be gratefully received.

We would also like to hold a cake sale after school so we would kindly ask for some cake donations please! (*Please remember we are a nut free school*)



### POPPY APPEAL:

Please remember to bring in some money if you would like to buy some Poppy Appeal things.

We have poppies, slap bands and keyrings for sale. We will be selling these at morning break on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October.

## **BUZZARDS:**

It has definitely been a busy month! We have been working hard in all our subjects. They have impressed me with their resilience in performing our harvest poem. They showed respect and trust at Farmwise and community in Bikeability. In English they have been showing off their creativity and independence in their maths.



We were so lucky to go to Farmwise this month. We had a lovely day looking at all the animals and livestock. We learnt so much and it was a very interesting day. We really enjoyed the Forestry section.



The children completed their Level 1 Bikeability. They amazed me with their confidence in riding their bikes. They all flew through the course. Me and Mrs Kent-Smith were blown away!



In maths we have moved on to addition and subtraction. Everyone is continuing to show resilience in our lessons. We have been finding more and less in year 3. In year 4 we have been adding 2 4-digit numbers with and without exchanges! In English we have been writing our harvest poems. We are so exciting to share these with you.



Everyone was amazing in the Harvest Festival! You should be super proud of yourselves. Have a lovely, well deserved half term!

**Miss Powe & Mrs Kent-Smith**

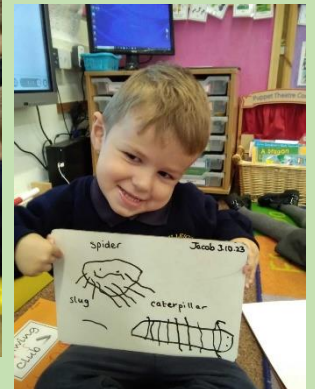


## FOXES & FOXCUBS:

This month we have explored lots of practical objects in maths to investigate different weights, sizes, capacity and patterns. The children have demonstrated good understanding, using new vocabulary to explain their thinking.

In Drawing Club, the children have used the stories of the Runaway Pea, Oliver's Vegetables and The Little Red Hen to extend their vocabulary and use their wonderful imaginations to create new characters or new inventions.

We have been so impressed with their enthusiasm in Phonics and the eagerness to learn to read. Keep up the fantastic effort!



They have continued to practise their ball skills in P.E. by kicking with more accuracy, bouncing and catching as well as using a bat and ball.  
In R.E. they have explored their feelings recognising that they belong to different groups.

They have all done so well - have a good rest over half term!

**Mrs Phillips, Mrs Rogers & Miss Scoins**

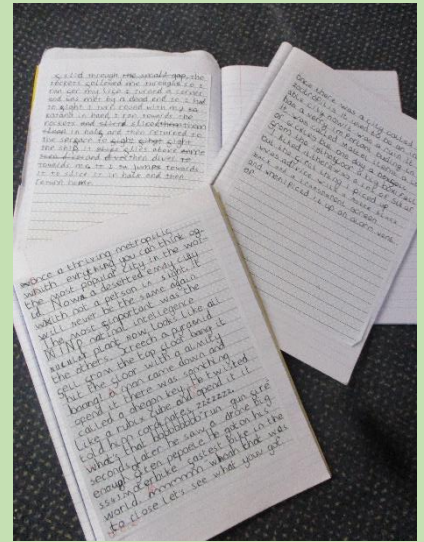




## STAGS:

In Stags this month we have been doing Science Fiction writing about an abandoned city. All the stags have produced work they can be really proud of and have used a range of complex grammatical features.

In science we have been learning about how day and night happen. We have created our own sundials and used a torch to model the movement of Earth around the sun.



In RE we have been creating our own stained-glass windows. The Stags have been really creative and used their resilience skills to create detailed and intricate windows with tissue paper.

Well done Stags!

Have a lovely half term and we look forward to seeing you back on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October.

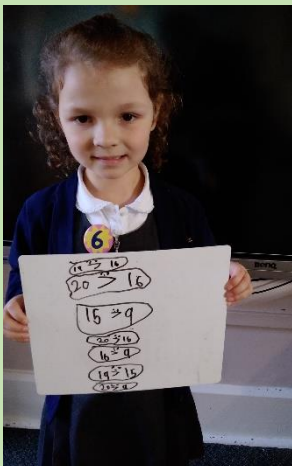
Mrs Eggleton & Mrs Palmer

## BUTTERFLIES:

The children have been learning about artist Vincent Van Gough. They particularly liked his painting 'starry night' and have started to try out ways to use colour and line in his style. This will set them up ready to create their own pictures after Half Term.

We have been learning to write recipes, with our focus on listing ingredients and using imperative verbs for instructions. The children have made playdough and even their own magic potions for this work. Well done!

Maths work has moved on to focus on number sentences for addition and subtraction.



Year 1 have picked this up very quickly and have been eager to try out longer calculations with larger totals. We have all been making up our own number stories to help us to develop our mathematical vocabulary.

Miss Skelley & Miss Barrable





## FOREST SCHOOL:

What a great start to our Forest School sessions!

We have had lots of woodland games so far like spot the difference (with a twist), rope lean, helium stick and the adjective touch game. These games are all building on their senses which is our focus for this half term. The children also had a great fun on the slackline working on their core strength and balance.



Have a  
lovely  
half term!  
Mrs K-S

