



Long Wittenham C.E. Primary School

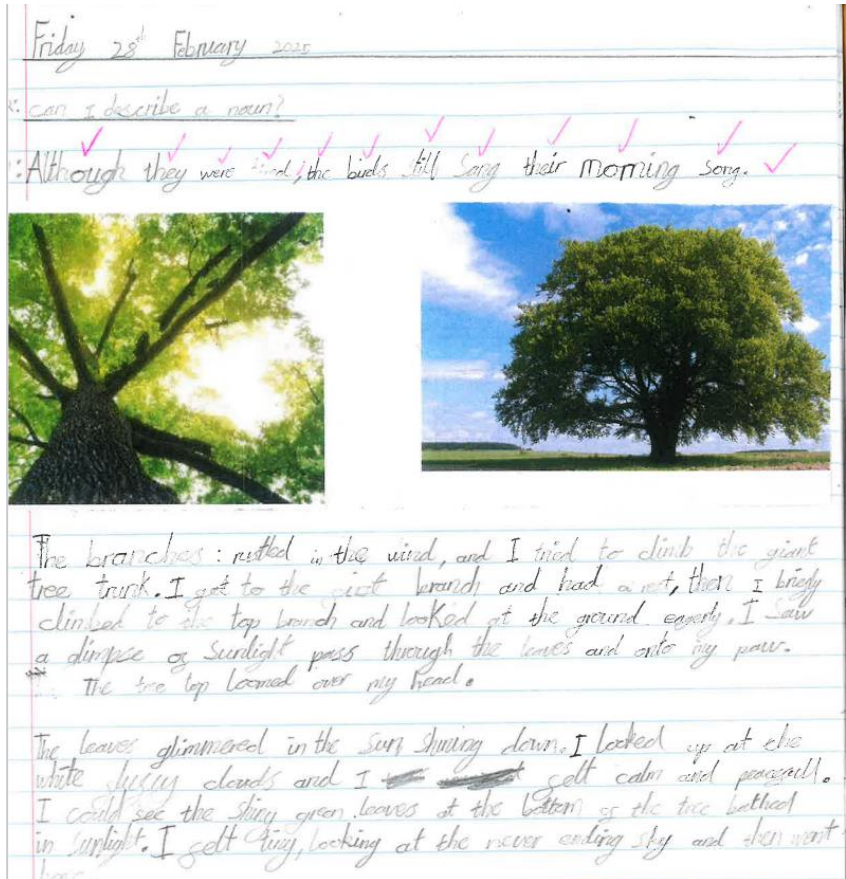


Show our love through kindness, determination and curiosity; strengthening ourselves and our community

Please remember we are a nut free school

Headteacher's Message

A big thank you to Eagles Class for their fantastic assembly this afternoon! It was a real pleasure to hear all about the fascinating topics they've been exploring and to see them share their achievements with such confidence. As a highlight, here's an example of some of the amazing writing that was shared during the assembly. Well done, Eagles Class!



Jewellery

Recently we have noticed more jewellery creeping into school. This has health and safety implications so please remember jewellery is limited to stud earrings only.

Local Governing Body Meeting

This week we held one of our local governing body meetings. The purpose of the meeting is to ensure effective and accountable governance, support school improvement, and monitor performance at the local level, acting as a

critical friend to the headteacher and senior leadership team. We are incredibly grateful for the support of our dedicated governors, who give their time and expertise so generously to help guide the school. Their commitment is vital to our ongoing efforts to improve and enhance the educational experience for all our children.

PTA

Thank you to the PTA for organising and running the Mother's Day Gift stall. This was a lovely opportunity for the children to buy a little gift for the day.

Owls Class

This week in Owls Class, we have been engaged in a range of exciting learning activities. In literacy, we explored the story of *The Odd Egg*, using it as a springboard to deepen our understanding of lifecycles in nature. In maths, children have been developing their sorting skills by categorizing objects based on various criteria, such as colour, size, and function, through hands-on activities. We have been learning about the significance of Easter in Christianity and reflecting on what makes this celebration special. The children have particularly enjoyed spending time in our class garden, where they have been observing the vibrant changes brought by the arrival of spring, made even more enjoyable by the mild weather this week. **Mrs Beeton & Mrs Humphries**

Parrots Class

This week in Parrots Class we have been reading the book 'Yeti and the bird' and exploring unlikely friendships seen in stories. We have created our own characters and written a story opening exploring how our characters met and became friends. In maths we have been learning about statistics and have been using tallies to collect and interpret information in tables. We had lots of fun looking for the signs of Spring at forest school and explored how animals can be classified according to what they eat in science. We also had a brilliant dance lesson this week where we created and performed our own dances. **Miss Clarke**

Eagles Class

Eagles had their class assembly today. They worked really well as a team to independently plan and deliver their assembly to an audience of children and parents. With assessments taking up a bit of time this week we just managed to finish our maths unit on fractions and plan for some instruction writing next week. In history we learnt all about Alfred the Great. In science we learnt about which magnetic poles attract and repel. We had 2 great PE lessons this week covering football and dance. In RE we wrote some lovely Easter prayers. **Mrs McNamee**

Penguins Class

This week, Penguins Class has been working incredibly hard on their assessments, putting in great effort as they prepare for the upcoming SATs. The children also had a fantastic time during their morning of DT, where they made moving toys using cams. It was wonderful to see their curiosity in action, as well as their problem-solving skills as they worked together to create functioning models. To wrap up the week, we enjoyed a lovely session at Forest School. **Mrs Greenway & Mrs Fraser**

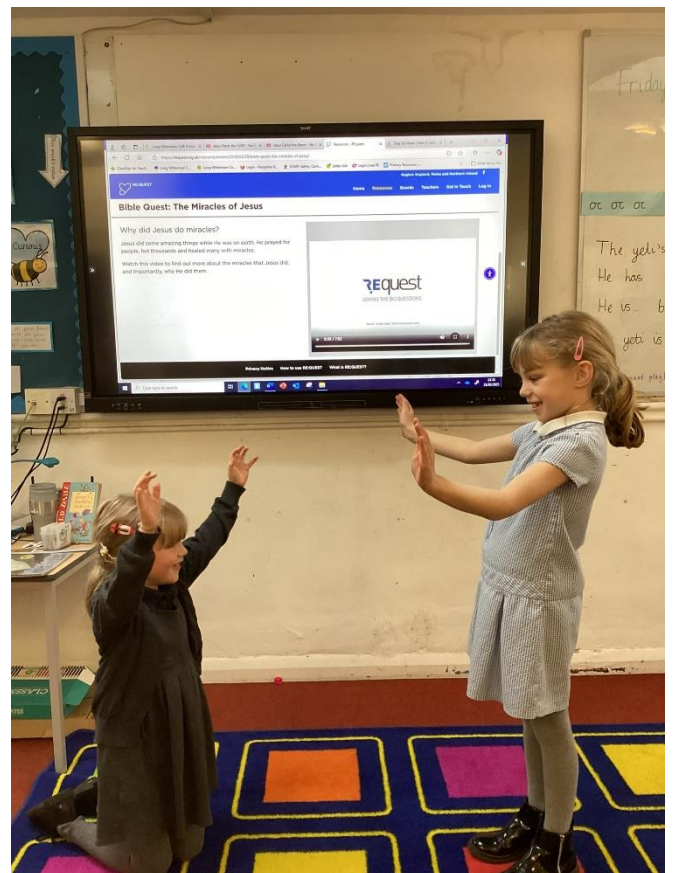
Attendance:

Due to high levels of sickness attendance has dropped this week. Please remember every day matters. Whole School Attendance 90.06%. Congratulations to Eagles Class with 91.8% attendance.

Reminders:

- **Easter Service- Friday 4th April 12:30pm.**
- **Term Ends- Friday 4th April 1.30pm**

This Week in Pictures



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Spring Term 2025	
Easter Service	Friday 4 th April 12:30pm for a 1:30pm finish
Easter Holiday	Monday 7 th April to Monday 21 st April
Summer Term 2025	
Term Begins	Tuesday 22 nd April
Parents Evening	Tuesday 22 nd April 3:30-5:30pm (Parrots, Eagles & Penguins) Wednesday 23 rd April 4:30-7pm (Parrots, Eagles & Penguins) Wednesday 23 rd April 3.30-6.30pm (Owls only)
Bank Holiday	Monday 5 th May
SAT Week	W/B Monday 12 th May
INSET DAY (No Children)	Friday 23 rd May
Summer Half Term	Monday 26 th May – Friday 30 th May
RET Trust Day (No Children)	Monday 2 nd June
Phonics Screening check	Week beginning 9 th June
Owls Class Assembly	Friday 13 th June 3pm
Sports Day	Tuesday 15 th July 10:00am
Oxford Swimming Gala Provisional Date	Thursday 19 th June
Penguins Class Residential PGL Liddington	Monday 30 th June -Wednesday 2nd July
Leavers Service	Tuesday 22 nd July 12:30pm
Term Ends	Tuesday 22 nd July at 1.30pm