



The Borders Partnership of Primary  
Schools  
**Barnby & North Cove Primary School**  
Weekly Newsletter



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## Reading Champions

Here are our Reading Champions this week!

Special Congratulations to Clara and Charlotte who received their free book this week as winners of the Lucky draw!

This week our Reading Champions are:

Acorn Class - Arthur

Oak Class - Charlotte

Willow Class - Elena

Chestnut Class - Clara

Well done to all - 'Keep Reading!'

We believe Reading is one of the fundamentals of learning! Please continue to support your children.

## Message from the Consortium Academy

Thank you to our parents/carers who completed the Autumn Term Questionnaire and we would encourage all parents/carers to complete this Spring Questionnaire which will help us to track the parent view across all our settings.

The results of the survey will be shared with Academy Heads and the Trust Board on a school by school basis and in time the cycle of surveys will provide us with a snap shot of where parents are and allow us to develop plans to respond to any emerging issues.

We would very much like to encourage you to complete the Spring Term survey by clicking on the following link <https://forms.gle/Smnf3zkrymkpaAW5A>

Please complete the survey by Friday 27th January 2023.

## Message from Miss Danks—Acorn Class

Acorn class have had a fantastic learning week this week! Everyone has worked really hard and persevered with any challenges that have come their way. We have almost finished our learning about where we are in England and the world and will soon be moving on to learning about space and planets! With this in mind if the children have any books on space at home that they would like to bring in and share with the class that would be wonderful.



In maths we have been learning about capacity, mass and weight. We have been investigating, solving and recording problems and have explored this throughout our learning play.



Well done to everyone who brought something in for show and tell, the children are becoming more and more confident speaking in front of their peers about the things that are most important to them. Don't forget it doesn't have to be a toy that they bring in, it could be a picture or experience that they would like to share. The next session will be Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February.



For all new nursery children that have joined P.E sessions are on Thursday morning so if you could include a change of clothes that would be great; you will find guidance for this is on the website.

## Message from Mrs Bramwell—Oak Class

In our religion learning we are developing an understanding of what it means to belong to a religion. We have begun with Christianity and will also find out about Islam. Taking part in baptism or a christening is one way of being welcomed into Christianity. We would love to see any christening photographs of us or our grown ups. You can email them to Mrs Bramwell [m.bramwell@bordersprimary.org](mailto:m.bramwell@bordersprimary.org) or put them in an envelope for safe keeping.



Oak class have been shouting 'array!' This week in maths as our multiplication learning progresses. We have discovered that arrays are wonderful ways to see multiplication number sentences without having to draw birds in trees or flowers in vases. We have also used cubes to group and share equally. Our next stop is division and we can't wait!



We have really enjoyed reading the biography of Florence Nightingale and finding out so much about her. We even had a homework project from a parent when they were at school to add to our understanding. Our Learning Pi task this half term is to think about people who are significant in our lives and someone who is significant in public. We had a really interesting debate about David Beckham in our history lesson this week. Some of us saw him as just someone who played football but after further research Bradley provided us with some more reasons to put him into the significant people column - his work with UNICEF and the London 2012 Olympic bid was enough to convince us. Our presentations will take place in class at the end of term. Who will you choose?

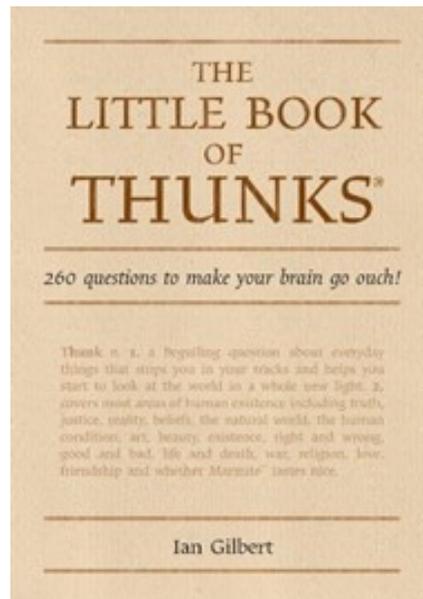


## Message from Mr Huxtable—Willow Class

Have you ever wondered the difference between knowing and believing? This is the question that Willow Class are looking at answering in their R.E lessons this half term. As part of their learning, the children will have the opportunity to engage in debates with their peers around many questions that seem simple at first but they also encourage deep critical thinking and reflection on how our own thoughts and opinions are formed.

As a class our lessons will focus on enabling the children to build an awareness of different perspectives about whether some things can be proven. We will also discuss the influence on moral decision making of factors such as experience, family, history, culture or community.

Many of our philosophical discussions begin with a "thunk" a series of questions taken from a book that really make you think deeply about a simple concept. If your child has enjoyed their philosophical thinking, I would encourage you to explore thunks more as they can be a fun way to encourage reasoning and critical thinking.



This week, Willow have also continued to examine their dreams and goals and ask why are they important? We looked at scenarios and situations where we saw other children succeed or achieve and asked ourselves why does it seem that others always seem to find things easier or achieve well and what is a 'go getter'? We came to the conclusion that it is a good idea to set milestones or targets to help us recognise those steps to success. Perhaps your child might like to discuss with you their dreams and goals that they set out for themselves since we started this area of learning.

## Message from Mr Lea – Chestnut Class

What a busy week for Chestnut class!

In our PSHE lesson this week we focused on what would our dream jobs be like? We read a job description for a Teacher and then attempted to write our own for our possible future career.

This made us really consider what we would have to do in our daily work! We all agreed we are going to be really busy!

We also launched our new Learning Pi activity this week - this focuses on our Curious learning characteristic. It is designed to make us think and consider events that do not happen in our daily lives. Our question is 'What would life be like without animals?' - we have to think of everything they provide us with - we look forward to hearing what our class think!

Chestnut class make it a near impossible task every week for me to select a Star and Citizen of the Week. Their behaviour in class and around the school, their enthusiasm for learning and the level of effort they put in to every task has to be commended - they are an absolute credit to their families!

And finally..... we celebrated as a class George being presented with his prize for winning the World Cup!!

Every single one of us were given a team in a lucky draw and we followed our teams throughout the competition. We researched our country for an information text we produced for homework, designed a new football kit for our team and discussed every morning the results and how our teams were playing! It brought the class even more together!

Well done George and enjoy your trophy!

