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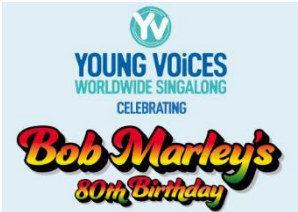
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Weekly Newsletter

Term 3, Week 4

Diary Week Beginning **Monday 3rd February 2025**



Day	Date	Event
Monday	3 rd	No Crossing Patrol in the morning Tawny Owls to wear active uniform Barn Owls to wear active uniform Young Voices Trip 3:15-4:30pm – Football Club 
Tuesday	4 th	Owlets to wear active uniform Library Van in Layby 1:30pm - Life Skills lesson
Wednesday	5 th	
Thursday	6 th	Owlets to wear active uniform Barn Owls to wear active uniform Tawny Owls to wear active uniform Year 5 Swimming – please remember costume, towel & £3.00 swim money 3:00pm – Bob Marley Singalong (Parents welcome to join us) 3:15-4:30pm – Young Voices Club 
Friday	7 th	FUS Tuck Shop (After School) £1 -50p per item Non School Uniform Day to celebrate Mental Health Week 2:45-3:15pm - Celebration Worship – everyone welcome 

Message from Miss Hickling

Next week is a busy one.

Monday - The Ulcombe choir will be joining the other Aspire choirs and 100s of other children to take part in Young voices at the O2. If your child is taking part you should have all the details but please contact the office should you have questions. Please make sure your child has two packed lunches with them and you know the arrangements for pick up. Mrs Syred will be accompanying the children along with Miss May.

Tuesday - In Life Skills the children will be learning about their changing bodies at a level appropriate for their year group. A reminder text will be sent on Monday - please talk to your child's class teacher if you have any concerns.

Wednesday - We have a travelling play coming to visit the school to perform - Crystal's Vardo. Children in years 3 to 6 will be watching the performance.

Friday - As part of Children's Mental Health/Wellbeing Week we are inviting the children to come into school in non uniform.

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This week we have shared the story of the feeding of the 5000.

Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand John 6.1-14

When Jesus looked up and saw a great crowd coming toward him, he said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?". He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do.

Philip answered him, "It would take more than half a year's wages to buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!"

Another of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up, "Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?"

Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." There was plenty of grass in that place, and they sat down (about five thousand men were there). Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted. He did the same with the fish.

When they had all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples, "Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted." So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten.

We discussed the fact that, in the feeding of the 5,000 Jesus made sure that everyone had what they needed. Jesus wants us to do all we can to make sure that everyone, whoever they are, has what they need. Jesus said to give food to all those who need it. Jesus came for all people, he shared his love with everyone, and he wants us to do the same.

We also shared the following prayer:

Generous God, we thank you for all your gifts. Help us to think of the needs of others. You show us how to love and share with everyone. We pray that we may truly share what we have, and so help our sisters and brothers throughout the world.

Amen.

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Weekly Awards

	Owlets	Barn Owls	Tawny Owls
Star of the week (nominated by staff)	Whole of Owlets	Scarlett	Holly
Christian Value (nominated by pupils)	Endurance award to Francesca. Nominated by Jacob.	Endurance award to Erica. Nominated by April & Rebecca.	Trust award to Paul H. Nominated by Alfie.

Christian Values Awards

Children are awarded raffle tickets when they show signs of our Christian values. Please talk to your child to find out how they earned their tickets.

All of the tickets are added together at the end of the week and converted into house points.

Owlets

Endurance: Jacob 3, Vienna, Noah, Georgi, Francesca, Shay, John, Derick 5, Arthur, Frank, Presley 2, Ruby, Joseph 4

Respect: Jacob, Vienna, Noah, Nancy, Derick, Frank, Joseph, Johnny, Delilah

Hope: Italia, Luke, Vienna, Derick, Delilah

Trust: Italia, Vienna, Luke, Jacob, Nancy, Derick, Joseph, Johnny, Delilah

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Barn Owls

Endurance: George A, Miley, Angelina 3, Erica Paddy, Scarlett, April 3, Joseph, Annie, Albert, Rebecca, George H, Rebecca 3, Casey, Olivia

Respect: Miley, Angelina, Cara 2, Robyn, Paddy 2, Scarlett 2, April 3, Rebecca 4, George H 6

Trust: Miley, Angelina, Cara, Tommy, Aaron, Paddy, Lacey, Scarlett, April 2, Rebecca 3

Hope: Scarlett, April, Rebecca 3

Tawny Owls

Endurance: Honey 2, Phoebe 3, Paul H, Ruby 3, Tommyjoe, Absey 2, Valintina 4, Millie, Paul C, Olivia 3, Belle 3, Holly 3, Tilly 3, Willow 3, Miley 2, Jackson 2, Hugh

Respect: Honey 3, Phoebe 3, Paul H, Ruby 3, Tommyjoe, Absey, Valintina 3, Millie, Olivia, Belle, Holly, Tilly, Willow 2, Miley 2, Hugh

Hope: Olivia, Holly, Tilly, Miley, Jackson

Trust: Honey, Absey, Valintina, Millie, Olivia, Belle, Holly, Tilly, Jackson, Hugh 2

Bronze Award

Well done to the following children for receiving their **Bronze** Christian Value certificate after reaching 25 raffle tickets for:

Endurance: Rebecca, Joseph S, Angelina, Presley, Derick and Valintina

Respect: Vienna, Tommy and Belle

Trust: Rebecca

Silver Award

Well done to the following children for receiving their **Silver** Christian Value certificate after reaching 50 raffle tickets for:

Respect: Angelina

Congratulations and thank you for being so incredibly to other people and the school environment.

House Points

Doves	Eagles	Ravens
55	75	69
Term 3 Totals		
592	516	496

Attendance and Punctuality

Our attendance winners this week are Owlets with 85.98% - Well Done!! Barn Owls came second with 80% and Tawny Owls had 71.03% attendance. This gave us a whole school attendance of 79.17%.

The best punctuality goes to both Owlets and Tawny Owls with no late arrivals! Barn Owls had 7 late arrivals. Remember, please keep us informed if your child is off school or the absence will be unauthorised.





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No Crossing Patrol – Monday 3rd February

Nicky won't be here on Monday morning to help you cross the road. If you need any assistance, please contact the school office.



Life Skills Lesson – Tuesday 4th February

On Tuesday the children will be participating in a Life Skills afternoon, focusing on "The Changing Body." A letter with more details about this event has already been sent home.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please don't hesitate to speak with your child's class teacher. The lesson will start at 1:30pm.

Crystal Vardo Performance – Wednesday 5th February

Year 3-6 are going to watch this travelling play. It is written specifically to help children understand the culture and history of gypsies and travellers.

Crystal's Vardo artistic vision is to:

- Raise awareness about the rich histories and cultures of Gypsy, Roma and Traveller communities
- Influence and initiate change by inspiring empathy and compassion in our audiences
- Affirm the cultural identity of Gypsy, Roma and Traveller people by exploring and celebrating the respective cultures and identities
- To inspire dialogue and break down barriers between communities

Bob Marley's 80th Birthday Celebration – Thursday 6th February

Aspire Schools have signed up to take part in a Worldwide Singalong to celebrate Bob Marley's 80th Birthday on Thursday 6th February at 3pm. We will be singing a medley of Bob Marley songs in the hall as a whole school. All parents are invited! **Please arrive at 2:50pm ready to sing at 3:00pm.**



Own Clothes Day for Children's Mental Health Week – Friday 7th February

To celebrate Children's Mental Health week the children are invited to come into school on Friday 7th February wearing their own clothes (no donation required).



Kindness Day Special Lunch Menu - Thursday 13th February

On Thursday 13th February we will be offering the children a special lunch menu to celebrate Kindness Day. The menu will include yummy pizza, potato faces, peas & sweetcorn along with shortbread smiles.



Please see attached flyer for more details.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 3rd February – Young Voices Trip to O2
Thursday 6th February – Bob Marley 80th Birthday Celebration Singalong
Friday 7th February – Own Clothes Day (Children's Mental Health Week)
Wednesday 12th February – Barn Owls Kent Life Trip
Thursday 13th February – Kindness Day Special Lunch Menu
Friday 14th February – FUS End of Term Movie Afternoon
Monday 24th February – INSET Day
Tuesday 25th February – Start of Term 4

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Thursday 6th March – World Book Day

Wednesday 23rd April – Tawny Owls Dover Castle Trip

