



Friday 30th  
April 2021

# WhatsUp @ EXETER

## Pupil of the week

### 23.4.21

FS2: Cole and Tina

Year 1: David D ad Blossom

Year 2: Jodie and April

Nurture: Richard

Year 3: Kohen, Stefan and Oliwia

Year 4: Aaron B, Uldis and Melody

Year 5: Aarushi, Sylar and Katie

Year 6: Reegyn, Harris and Patricia

Potter: Lottie

### 30.4.21

FS2: Emily and Bruce

Year 1: Renae and Evie

Year 2: Kaydi-Rose and Charlie

Nurture: Charlie-Mae

Year 3: Ellis, Millie and Norren

Year 4: Demi-Leigh, Isla T and Honey-Rose

Year 5: Liam, Ellie and Hollie

Year 6: Gracie, Jack A and Szymon

Potter: Alina

Well done to all these children.

## Upcoming Dates

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May: Bank holiday, school closed

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May - Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June: Half term

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June: Athlete visiting school (more information to follow)

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July: Last day of term

## News from the Well-being team

We were lucky enough to be visited by the team from TARGET (Targeting and Reducing Grooming Exploitation and Trading of Children and Young People Online). They worked with Years 5 & 6 last week, raising awareness of using social platforms appropriately, digital footprint (how much time we spend online) being careful not to give out any personal details and the effects of spending too much time online and how it can have a negative effect on our well-being. It certainly was an eye-opener for children and adults alike.



## Nut free school

Can we please remind you that we are a nut-free school. This is due to a number of children who have a severe allergic reaction to nuts, both in the food they eat, but also through air-borne transmissions. Thank you.

## News from FS2



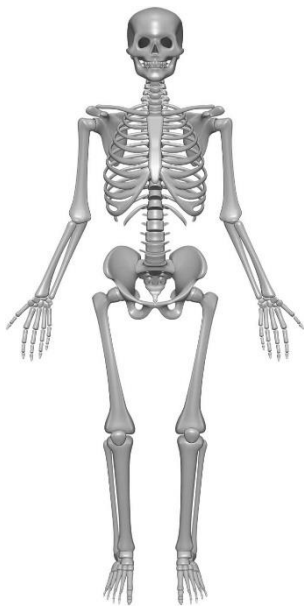
This term we have been focusing on Growing. We learnt all about the Plant Life Cycle, using the Eric Carle story 'The Tiny Seed'. We spoke about and decided that seeds need water, sunlight and soil to grow. We planted our own Sunflower Seeds and watching them grow so far has been magical. We had fun making flowers and role-playing in our very own Exeter Garden Centre! We then investigated a strange vegetable called a turnip. We read the story 'The Enormous Turnip' and had so much fun retelling it through actions. At the end of the Story the Farmer's wife makes a delicious turnip soup. We made our own soup and tried it at snack time. Some of the children thought it was yummy but some of the

children thought it was yucky. But we all had fun trying it. We spent a long time exploring different fruits and vegetables, slicing and chopping them. We compared the seeds we found and decided to plant them too to see what could grow. This week we have been reading 'The Weaver' all about Stanley the Spider. We went on a hunt outside with our magnifying glasses to see if we could find our own spider friend!



## Fidget toys

We have noticed an increase in the number of fidget toys being brought into school from home. Whilst we appreciate the benefit of some fidget toys as concentration aids for some children, when required these will be provided by school. Please do not send your child in with these from home. Thankyou



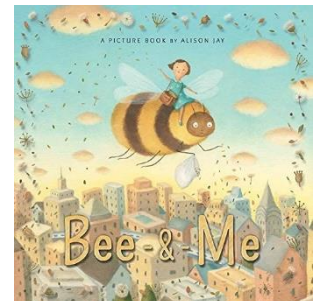
## News from Year 3

So far this term, Year Three have busy learning lots of facts, skills and vocabulary.

In science we have begun learning about the human body, specifically about the skeleton and muscles. The children took part in an investigation to find out things such as *Do children have smaller heads than adults? Do all children have the same size femur?* They had great fun measuring each other and recording their findings.

Within maths we have been working hard to recap our learning about addition and subtraction, using various resources such as Base 10 and place value counters and grids. The children are very good at drawing these representations in their books too and using them to solve calculations and problems.

In English we have been learning to write a balanced argument about whether a girl, from the story 'Bee & Me', should kill the bee she has trapped. We came up with various ideas about why she should and should not kill it and now they are writing their own balanced argument about whether she should free the bee instead.



In history we have been learning about James Lind who found out that sailors who were suffering from scurvy were actually lacking in vitamin C (although at the time he didn't know it was vitamin C, just that they needed to eat more citrus fruits).

We have been running a battle each week on TT Rock Stars between each class. Sharman class have won this three weeks in a row! Well done!

We have been fortunate enough to welcome the Saints, in partnership with Greggs Tackling Health for one of our PE sessions. The children are thoroughly enjoying this experience and learning about what makes a balanced diet and healthy life-style choices too.





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## Holiday club

We sent out an email earlier in the week to find out if there was interest in us hosting a holiday club. If this is something that you would like to send your children to (one day, a week etc) please fill in the survey on the link below so we can see if there is enough interest. Please complete by Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May.



[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1NYTN5LvNFOTVbtI80XgYly3vmUKLZgllj10\\_5URvOoc](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1NYTN5LvNFOTVbtI80XgYly3vmUKLZgllj10_5URvOoc)



## Have your say on things that matter to you

The Big Ask is the largest ever survey of children and young people in England. The Children's commissioner will use what children and young people tell them to show the Government what young people think and what they need to live happier lives.

As part of The Big Ask, we also want to hear from adults, care leavers, parents and adults who work with children and young people living in England what they think about the future for children and young people today, and what they think is holding young people back.

The survey doesn't ask for any personal information and all responses are confidential. This survey will take around 5 minutes to complete.

Parents - <https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigask/adults/>

Children - <https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigask/>

## PE Kit

Now that shops are back open, we would like to remind you of the correct PE kit.

All children should wear:

- **A red school logo PE top.** If they do not have one, a plain red or white T-shirt is fine. No football tops (even if red) should be worn, or patterned tops.
- Plain black shorts or tracksuit bottoms.
- School jumper (no sports tops).
- All long hair should be tied back.
- No jewellery to be worn – please leave ear-rings out PE days.



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## What are we collecting this week?

Instead of throwing away your plastic milk bottle tops and plastic food containers (with lids), please wash them and bring them into school. A box will be available by the Brayford Avenue school gate each day to drop these items into. Thank you.



## Attendance

Our school / government minimum expectation is 96%

Year group	Attendance (Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> )
Reception	96.3%
Year 1	92%
Year 2	96%
Year 3	97.7%
Year 4	95.4%
Year 5	94.6%
Year 6	95.5%

Year group	Attendance (Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> )
Reception	96.1%
Year 1	95%
Year 2	94.7%
Year 3	96.5%
Year 4	96.6%
Year 5	96.0%
Year 6	96.7%

## Mr Southwell

We are pleased to announce that Mr Southwell is now back on a phased return to school after his traffic accident last October. The children have been very excited to see him this week! He is working within Year 5 this half term, whilst he increases his hours back to full time.



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## Keeping everyone safe on the school site

Can we please remind you of the following to ensure we keep our school community safe:

- All adults to wear a face covering whilst on school site;
- Only one adult per household to bring a child/ren in;
- Only arrive at your dedicated drop off and collection time, not before.

## Reminder of school hours

FS2, Years 1, 3, 5 and Potter

8:30am – 3:00pm

Gates closed by 8:50am

Years 2,4,6 and Nurture

8:45am – 3:15pm

**Stay COVID-19 Secure**

**Please Wear  
Face  
Masks**



Next Newsletter – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2021





## WHITSUN CAMP HALF TERM PROVISION TUESDAY 1ST JUNE - FRIDAY 4TH JUNE 2021

STEPS TO  
BOOK ONLINE

1ST STEP  
Register online

2ND STEP  
Choose venue

3RD STEP  
Select dates and times

FINAL STEP  
Confirm and pay



### VENUES

**Cottingham C Of E Primary School**  
Berry Field Road, Cottingham, LE16 8XY

**Corby Business Academy**  
Gretton Road, Corby, NN17 5EB

**Tresham College**  
Windmill Avenue, Kettering NN15 6ER

**REGISTER & BOOK ONLINE**  
[www.csdayactivitycamps.co.uk/camps](http://www.csdayactivitycamps.co.uk/camps)

### TIMES

8.00am – 5.00pm Daily

### WE CARE FOR

- Reception to Year 6 - Cottingham
- Year 1 to Year 6 - Corby Business Academy
- Year 1 to Year 6 - Tresham College
- Year 7 to Year 13 - Young Leaders

### CSD THE TRUSTED ACTIVITY CAMP FOR KIDS!

Our popular Ofsted approved camp for children in Reception to Year 6. Providing a variety of activities from sports to arts and crafts to keep your children active and entertained in a safe environment. This involves have lots of fun activities for your children to get involved in, so get booking! There will be a small pricing rise to reflect the increases in National Living Wage and facility costs being incurred. As always, we are committed to providing high quality service to you and appreciate your continued support.

We're open each day from 8.00am until 5.00pm! Children will receive breakfast between 8am and 9am and afternoon tea at 4.00pm, saving you time in the morning and your ears from the endless 'I'm hungry' groans all the way home. Our camps save you time and money without breaking the bank! Book before our earlybird expires for a chance to win an amazing prize.



**Earlybird 10% Discount Code: Whatsun21** Expires 3/5/21

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## School Term Dates: Academic Year 2020 – 2021



### Summer Term 2021

Term 5	Re-open	Monday 12 April
May Bank	Closes	Friday 30 April
Holiday	Re-open	Tuesday 4 May
Bank Holiday	Closes	Friday 28 May
Term 6	Re-open	Monday 7 June
	Closes	Friday 16 July





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## Exeter a learning community

### School Term Dates

### Academic Year 2021 – 2022

#### 2021

Term 1	Training Day Training Day Re-open Closes	Wednesday 1 September Thursday 2 September Friday 3 September Friday 22 October
Term 2	Re-open Closes	Monday 1 November Friday 17 December

#### 2022

Term 3	Training Day Re-open Closes	Tuesday 4 January Wednesday 5 January Friday 11 February
Term 4	Training Day Re-open	Monday 21 February Tuesday 22 February
Easter	Closes	Friday 1 April
Term 5	Re-open	Tuesday 19 April
May Bank Holiday	Closes Re-open	Friday 29 April Tuesday 3 May
Spring Bank Holiday	Closes	Friday 27 May
Term 6	Re-open Closes Training Day	Monday 6 June Thursday 21 July Friday 22 July