

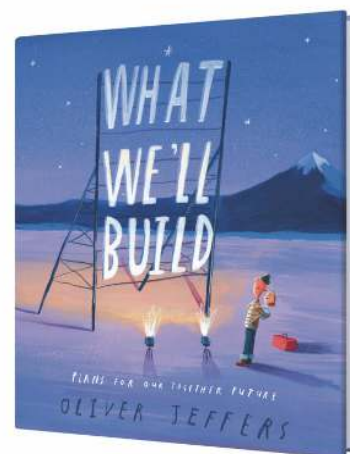


Frittenden CEP School

Feb 4.03.2022

We hope you all had a good half-term with your families and were able to spend some good quality time together. It seems like quite a long time ago now.

This term we have, once more, hit the ground running with a busy first week back. This week the whole school have been using the text *What We'll Build* as a spring board for the learning in English. The book, by Oliver Jeffers, is about the special relationship between a father and daughter. Potter Class used the book to think about what they would like to build, and what they would like to be when they are all grown up; Dahl used the build element to design and create sensational super slippers, investigating materials; Wells wrote narrative poems using the structure of the written prose to write a poem exploring their relationship with someone special to them; and finally Shakespeare discussed their futures and aspirations and what they want to achieve. A fabulous book, which inspired lots of discussion and creation.



[WHAT WE'LL BUILD. By Oliver Jeffers - YouTube](#)

Dates:

7th March :

Well-being Day—Stay Calm

Parent workshop 2.15pm

9th March

Cricket enrichment

10th March :

Open the Book

A Special Walk

14th March :

Mental Health awareness Y5 & 6

Parent session (Y5&6) 2.15pm

16th March:

Class photographs

17th March:

Kent Fire and Rescue visit

18th March :

Red Nose Day

22nd March :

Fantastic Fred

Reminders:

Snacks: we are still seeing lots of unhealthy choices. Children should not be eating crisps and chocolate at breaktime, instead consider:

- fruit (including dried fruit) and vegetables.
- Crackers, rice cakes, pitta and flat breads.
- Granola and healthy cereal bars
- Low-fat cheese and yogurt

PE Kit: Black trackies, shorts, leggings and a white top or house colour top. School jumpers should be worn if no plain black jumper / zip up available. We are still seeing children in key stage 2, who view this as an opportunity to wear what they like. If this doesn't improve we will be returning to PE kit in school.

Earrings: please keep to small studs, not hoops etc. Children will be asked to remove anything other than studs.

Stay Calm with Jacqui.

Jacqui has produced a book called *The magic Garden*. On Monday she will be visiting us to deliver some workshops with children and with parents.

The workshop is based on **Mindfulness, Guided Imagery and Imagination**. It encourages students to engage their inner creativity and imagination and to develop techniques which promote their emotional wellbeing. The workshops are fun, lively and interactive and provide strategies which the children can implement immediately, but also take with them into adolescence and beyond.

Aims

- To empower and help children to manage their feelings and behaviours within any setting, including school
- To give children support mechanisms to encourage emotional expression and develop self-regulation and resilience
- To Help children cope with stress and anxiety and to help them manage worries and concerns



Parents are welcome to come along and join Jacqui at **2.15pm**. The book is available to purchase too,

Mental Health Awareness

Some of our parents who have been here longer (year 5 +) might remember Jenny Langley, who visited on behalf of the Charlie Waller Trust. She delivered mental health awareness workshops to years 1—6 and then a parenting one at the end of the day.

We have commissioned further visits:

- Andrew will be delivering class workshops and then a parent one on Friday 11th March. This will be for years 1—4 and for parents of children in that age range. The parenting workshop will be at 2pm
- Alice will be delivering a workshop and then a parenting one on Monday 14th March. This will be for Shakespeare class and then their parents, at 2pm.

I remember that when we did this before, the parents who attended found it really useful. Please do make time and come along if you can.

Friday 11 - Years 1—4 / Parent workshop 2pm

Monday 14 Year 5 –6 / parent workshop 2pm

Red Nose Day.

We would like to encourage children not to add to landfill on red nose day and for hygiene reasons, please no red noses.

Instead, we are encouraging children to wear red, or outrageous.

Additionally, if your child would like to take part, there will be a talent show on Friday. During the week each class will hold heats, with selected children going through to the Friday final.

Talents can be anything.... Reciting, singing, dancing, acting, playing an instrument, writing poetry—just a few ideas.



WHAT IS GOOD ATTENDANCE?					
190 LEARNING DAYS EACH SCHOOL YEAR.					
175 DAYS FOR FAMILY TIME, HOLIDAYS AND SHOPPING.					
190 days	184 days	182 days	178 days	176 days	160 days
100%	96.8%	95.8%	93.6%	92.6%	84.2%
Good		Worrying		Serious Concern	

A PLEA for Mrs. Kneller's sanity. If your child is unwell please ring 01580 852250 and leave a message stating your child's name, class and why they are absent. Alternatively email donna@frittenden.kent.sch.uk Mrs. Kneller works really hard and has enough things on her list without spending unnecessary time trying to call, text, email parents to find out why a child is absent. Please: look after Mrs. Kneller. She deserves National Treasure status.

Attendance 07.02—25.02

	Girls	Boys	Total
R	90	90	90
1	90	96	93
2	74	95	83
3	95	93	94
4	97	95	96
5	92	97	94
6	97	94	96
T	91	95	93

Punctuality—total minutes

	Girls	Boys	Total	
R	0	0	0	down
1	67	23	90	Up
2	7	0	7	down
3	112	19	131	Up
4	19	13	32	Up
5	20	0	20	same
6	0	19	19	down
T	225	74	299	UP



House	07.02—03.03	Total
Canterbury	161	640
Lincoln	203	991
St. Pauls	157	875
Salisbury	135	957

Certificates

HT Award : Louise and Jacob
 Potter Class: Scarlett
 Dahl Class : George and Jack
 Wells Class : Phoebe and Annabel
 Shakespeare Class : Sophia and Kitty

FFS meeting

Wednesday 9 March Beks will be holding an FFS meeting. All welcome—9.10am in the school hall.

Shrove Tuesday

We started the week thinking about what this 40 sign could mean. Lots of children gave suggestions; very quickly, the sign and the purple cloth led the children to Lent, and before lent—Shrove Tuesday.

To help us remember the significance of lent, together we recalled the events after Jesus was baptised; he went to the desert for 40 days and 40 nights, whilst there he fasted and he was tempted by the devil. Jesus was steadfast and was not tempted.

'worship the Lord your God and serve only him.'

Read the story The Temptation of Jesus' for yourself: Matthew 4 1-12

What have you given up for Lent?



House pancake race for Shrove Tuesday.

Dahl Class.

After 5 years of dedicated teaching at Frittenden, Mrs. Chambers is leaving us at the end of this term; she is not taking up a post elsewhere, instead she will be fulfilling a role within KCC teaching children who are not in school.

Mrs. Chambers has been a fabulous member of the team: kind, caring and supportive of all the children and staff in the school. I know it was a difficult decision for her to make. We will all miss her very much and we wish her every success going forward.

The summer term in Dahl Class will be covered by Mrs. Swindells and Mr. MacTear, who are both excited by this opportunity to work together. There will be an opportunity for the children to meet Mr. MacTear, who comes very highly recommended, before he starts proper.

We would also like to congratulate Mrs. Swindells who will be full time and permanent from September in Dahl Class.





The children all enjoyed World Book Day. The costumes were brilliant, with a lot of thought and effort being made by parents and children. We loved the vocabulary parade! The children also spent time reading with their buddies and they ended the day by visiting another class to share the teachers' favourite book.



Book Token's were awarded to:

- Penny (candyfloss)
- Olivia (Book fairy)
- Beth (Rubbish)
- Freya (the Tempest)

