

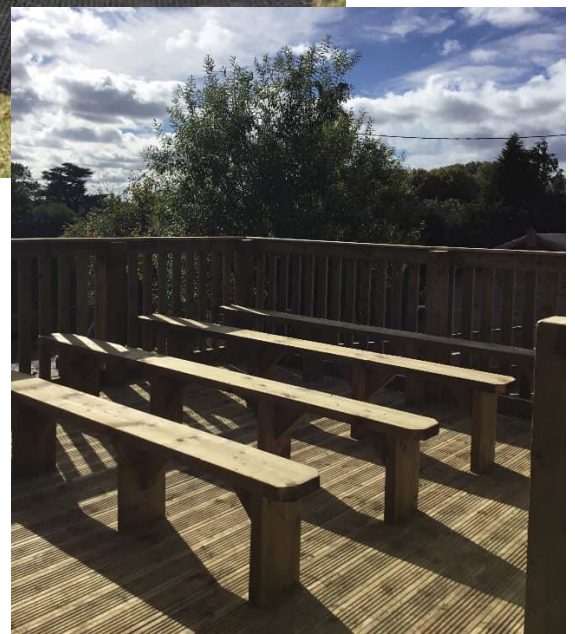


## Newsletter

Term 1: October 2021

Our Christian value this term is: *Generosity*

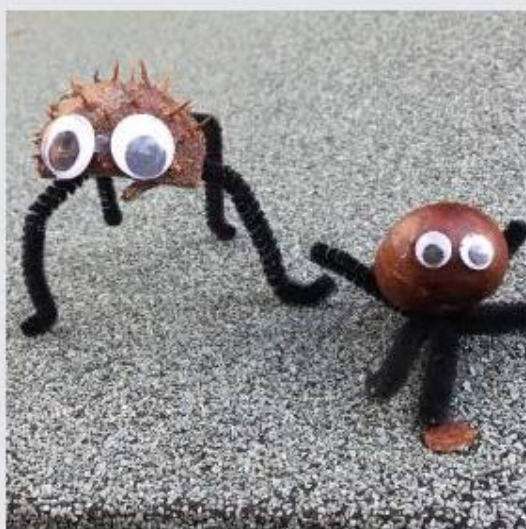
We are delighted with our new play equipment and outdoor stage area, which has already proved invaluable for the children's outdoor play and learning time.





## WREN CLASS

**Forest School:** EYFS and Year 1 have been enjoying their weekly Forest School lessons with Miss Law. They have had great fun creating some great shadows in the sunshine and creating conker creatures.







Wren class had a lovely trip to Lea Woods Forest School. The weather was perfect. We went for a great walk and played leaf snap. We even caught leaves falling from the trees, it's harder than you think!





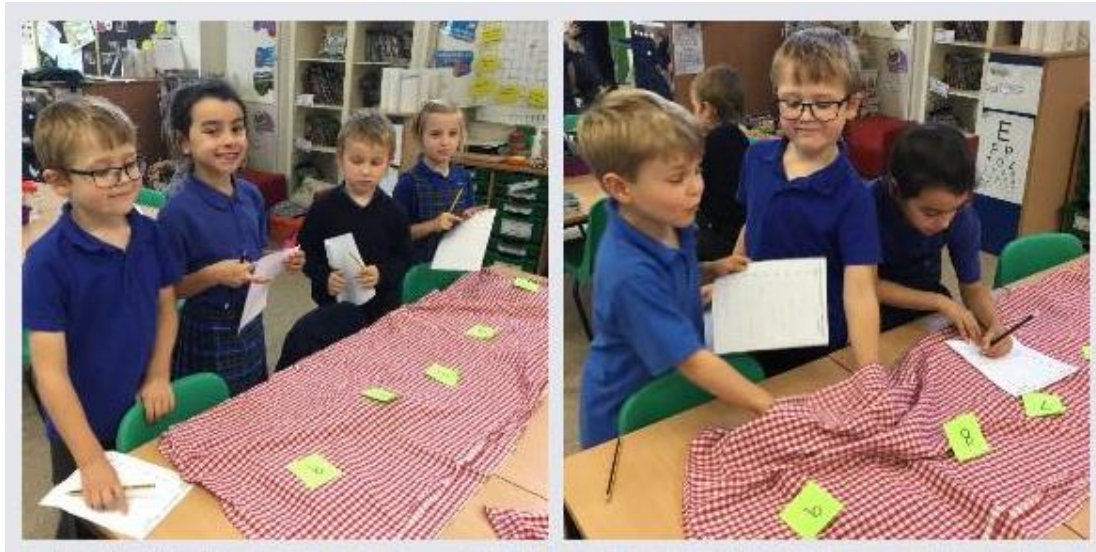
On our trip we learnt about the animals that live in the woods. We were told about the animals that hibernate and the animals that make warm dens. When we got back to base camp. We made dens for the animals we found. We got to spend time with our friends at Bibury School.

At the end we had a campfire and the best marshmallows. We really enjoyed our trip.





**Science:** Wren class have been enjoying testing out their sense of touch. They had to say how the hidden object felt and then guess what it might be. They all loved the hot water bottle but not so keen on the spiky conker shells.



Wren class continued their learning of the different types of senses and have been testing out their taste buds. Could they identify their 5 different tastes? They were very brave and tried all the different liquids, identifying where on their tongue it tingled. Then they held their nose and tried to identify different crisp flavours. That was a bit more difficult!

## KINGFISHER CLASS

**Art:** Kingfisher class have been enjoying some lovely art lessons. They have been studying proportions of a face and went on to sketch portraits. They had some fantastic results!



**Science:** Kingfisher class made their own floating compass. They used a yoghurt pot lid and a bar magnet. The children were really happy when they spun them, they always returned to the same position - North! They also wanted to find out what happens when all the compasses were placed together. They were so pleased when the compasses slowly moved and joined up in a long line - the cheer at the end was magical!





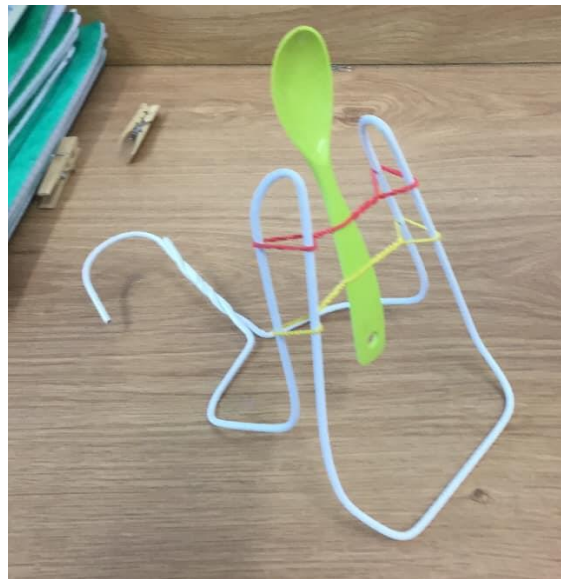
## OWL CLASS

**Science:** Owl class have been looking at different forces. Starting with friction, they began investigations by carefully watching for any signs of movement. Testing on a variety of surfaces, including wood, bubble wrap and sandpaper, they discovered that school shoes have a really good grip. Can you guess on which surface?

Owl class investigated how streamlined their boat shape was. They started by blowing their boats around a set course and timing how long it took to get round the course. Their prediction about which boat was the most streamlined was correct. They enjoyed a fun race at the end!



Owl class put their forces knowledge into action and made catapults. Testing whether a marshmallow or ping pong ball travelled further. They also tested the elastic bands. They placed them close together and further apart. We did find out the tighter we twisted the elastic bands the further the ball travelled.



**English:** Owl Class are writing about the gingerbread house in Hansel and Gretel. We sniffed some sweets and chocolate to trigger our senses and inspire some great sweet descriptions!





## PE LESSONS

The children have been having some great sessions with Up and Under Sports and have been working really hard on developing their handskills this month.



## CROSS COUNTRY EVENT

Great fun was had at the cross country event held at Kingshill School for Key Stage 2 pupils. It was great to get out and about for these sporting events! This was the first cross country event for many of our children. They were brilliant!





## SAVE THE CHILDREN: FUNDRAISER FOR AFGHANISTAN REFUGEES

Our head girl asked if we could raise money to support Afghanistan refugees. What a lovely, thoughtful request. We had a non-school uniform day and a cake sale.

Thank you for all your support!

