









Dear Families,

Our first whole school learning experience of the academic year got off to a cracking start on Monday morning when Emma McGordon, performance poet, kicked the week off with an amazing HOOK assembly. Emma then spent the rest of the day working with our Key Stage 2 classes and sharing with them many of the skills involved in becoming a performance poet.

On Tuesday, our older children were visited by Roger Stevens who entertained our children with his brilliant performance poetry! Laughter filled the hall and the children delighted in hearing him read many of his poems aloud. The children learned LOTS about how to use expression, action, pace & comic timing in their recitals. What an inspiration!

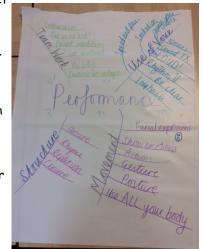
During the afternoon, our younger children had a visit from Zehra Hicks who inspired them with the story behind her book 'Flying Lemurs', they even enjoyed an illustrators masterclass! These visitors were made possible by Chichester Children's Book Fest and we are hugely grateful to them for giving our children such a superb opportunity.

The rest of the week has involved lots of opportunities for the children to select, perform, watch, reflect and evaluate, setting personal goals for their own performances.

The END GOALS for this learning experience are very much focused on performing, with confidence, for an audience. There are all sorts of emotions involved in public speaking and performance. At the beginning of the week the children did an amazing job of articulating how they felt about the prospect of performing for an audience... and these emotions ranged from excitement, to nerves, to sheer terror! The week has been designed to give the children plenty of opportunities to perform, both collaboratively and independently, building confidence and self belief. They have

also had lots of time to reflect on performances and identify what the ingredients of an engaging and entertaining performance are.

Our Key Stage 2 children performed their poems for the children in Key Stage 1, while our Key Stage 1 children performed for their guests from Fishbourne Pre-School. Look out for photos of these celebration events on the LATEST NEWS section of our school website!





It's been a wonderful week of learning for all our children. Here are some of their reflections on what they have been up to: 'Roger Stevens was extremely funny... he really made me laugh!' I liked discovering Year 6's Guerrilla Poetry that appeared round school on National Poetry Day.'

'I couldn't believe my eyes when the alpacas came into the school hall!'



We are already planning our next whole school learning experience, Nativity, which will take place during the last two weeks of the autumn term. We look forward to telling you all about this RE based learning experience that we are planning for the run up to Christmas!



at Fairthorne Manor. They were such amazing ambassadors for Fishbourne CE Primary School... modelling our learning behaviours of courage, determination, positivity and collaboration at every opportunity and their time of reflection of thankfulness at the end of each day was a privilege to be a part of. We don't need any convincing of the importance of

these residential experiences for our children's development but it was lovely to see the way in which relationships blossomed and confidence grew. A huge well done to each and every one of our Meerkats—we couldn't be any more proud of you. For families who didn't receive our updates, do have a look on the Meerkats class page of the website!



I am delighted to let you know the very exciting news that Mrs Goodman and her husband Andrew are expecting their first baby! We are so thrilled for them and really look forward to meeting Junior Goodman next year. We will update you with more news, as and when we have it, about our plans for Hippo class and who will be teaching them during the second half of the year. In the meantime, I am sure you will join me in

congratulating Mrs Goodman and her family on their wonderful news.

We continue to take part in the Daily Mile on days when the children do not have a PE session already scheduled. We are delighted that we have now met the fundraising target to install a Daily Mile running track on the school field—with HUGE THANKS to FOFS for all their hard work and other contributions

through Alfie McDermott's fundraising; Tesco Bags for Life grant and a Parish grant. Planning has now been submitted and we hope that we will be in a position to have installed the track as soon as possible!



Inspired by their learning about the poem, Refugee, by Brian Bilston, our Meerkat class have spent time thinking about how they can make the world a better place as a result of their learning. They decided to hold a cake sale to raise funds for the work Oxfam do around the world with refugees having watched some Newsround reports. Please do provide your children with some money to spend on Friday afternoon in our pop-up cake shop!

Our Harvest Assembly was led by the children who make up our Worship Team. Their job is to prepare and lead key acts of worship during the school year. The children were asked to bring in donations for Chichester Foodbank who serve our local area. We have been fortunate enough to have visitors from the Foodbank in previous years who share with the children the need for this kind of support on their own doorsteps and we are always delighted to be able to support this charity.





In the coming weeks, we will also be supporting Children in Need with our non-uniform day on

Friday 15th November and by selling poppies in school in preparation for our act of remembrance on Tuesday 12th November. Our school

motto is - 'There is only one you in this great big world... make it a better place' - and it is great to see so much evidence in school of how we are living out this vision.

Thank you for your continued support for our learning community.

Kindest regards,

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Naomi Day



## Autumn term

Tue 12th Nov: Remembrance Service 10am (parents welcome)
Wed 13th Nov and Wed 20th Nov—Learning Review meetings 3.30-6pm
Fri 15th Nov: Children in Need non-uniform day (bring a donation to help

change children's lives across the UK)
Friday 15th Nov: School Disco FOFS
Fri 22nd Nov: Quiz Night FOFS

Tues 26th Nov: Flu Vaccination YR to Y6 (please return consent form)

Mon 9th Dec: Whole School Learning Experience

Fri 13th Dec: Christmas Lunch (Chartwells) and Christmas Jumper Day

Wed 18th Dec: Carol Service at the church (children only)

Thu 19th Dec: Carols Around the Tree 2.30pm

Fri 20th Dec: INSET Day

Mon 6th Jan: INSET Day

Tue 7th Jan: First Day of the Spring Term

INSET Days for 2019/20 Monday 2nd September Friday 20th December Monday 6th January Friday 22nd May

Monday 20th July



We have decided to dip our toes into the world of Twitter! Many of our teaching team are keen tweeters and there is a wealth of support for the education community on Twitter. Inspired by Sophy Henn, we decided we would set up a Twitter account for our school which you are warmly welcome to follow. It will be a lovely way for our children to follow Sophy via our school Twitter account.

Please do find us and start to follow... **@FishbournePrim1**You could also follow Sophy Henn... **@sophyhenn** 

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