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#### **Newsletter**

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The Friends of Banham School have been very busy planning fundraising events for our school. Thanks to the FOBS, we are able to organise trips for the children, fun events and with the school's collaboration, completing the beautiful playpark on the field. We are looking forward to the hot chocolate on Thursdays starting next week after school!



# Forest School





### LOOK what we're LEARNING!

**Robins** topic this half term is All about Me, we have talked all about ourselves and our extended family. This week we have been naming our body parts and have watched the NSPCC Pantasaurus video about how we can keep ourselves safe. We then made our own sparkly pants. We have been continuing with phonics and are brilliant at remembering all the different sounds. In Maths we have been matching, comparing and sorting different objects.







**Wrens** have been working hard! We are enjoying our science topic, 'Seasonal Changes'. We went on an autumn scavenger hunt and found lots of signs of autumn. We have been thinking about toys and food from the past and found out that Mrs Negus was born in the 70s this week! We have been finding out about 3d shapes and number lines in maths. Well done Wrens!



**Skylarks** have been researching facts about Roman life in the variety of non-fiction books we have in class. In science, we have been testing rocks for durability, permeability and their response to acid (vinegar). In French, we are learning to pronounce the letters of the alphabet.



**Swifts** have continued to work super hard and have produced some amazing independent writing based on our book Cosmic. We have included lots of different things in our writing, but a lot of us have used short sentences for effect, powerful adjectives, dialogue and relative clauses.

In Maths we have ordered and compared numbers up to 1,000,000 and 10,000,000. We also began rounding numbers within 1,000,000 - which was quite tricky - but we know that we always look to the digit on the right and that digit is 0-4 we round down, or 5-9 we round up. While the Year 6s were at forest school, the Year 5s have been learning about computer networks and systems - this week learning how search engines work. In History, we have been looking at the history of space exploration - we looked at lots of events that were part of the 'space race' between Russia and the USA and created timelines.



## Diary Dates

- 2 October Fire Engine & Fire Fighters visit to Robins
- 5 October National Poetry Day
- 5 October Wrens Girls Trip to Shooting Star (Football) Festival
- 23 27 Oct Half Term
- 30 October School Photos
- 30 October Parent's Evening
- 31 October FOBS Halloween Party TBD
- 2 November Parent's Evening
- 9 November Flu Vaccinations
- 13 November Anti-bullying Week
- 17 November Children in Need Day
- 21 November Dental Team Assembly
- 7 December Y6 & R Nurse Visit
- 8 December FOBS Non-uniform Day
- 8 December National Santa Dash
- 11 December FOBS Wreath Making Workshop for Parents
- 13 December Rock Steady Concert for Rock Steady Members
- 15 December Christmas Show at Banham Church TBD
- 16 December Banham Choir Pop-up TBD
- 21 Dec 3 Jan Winter Break
- 19 23 Feb Half Term
- 28 March 12 April Easter Break
- 6 May Bank Holiday
- 27 31 May Half Term
- 19 July Last Day of School



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