



Apple Press

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Newsletter

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Welcome to another year of our biweekly Apple Press, where we keep you posted on what's going on around the school alongside Dojo which is our main means of communication so please do check/scroll down daily!

Afterschool Clubs

Monday Sports Club, led by Ben Humphreys from South Norfolk Tennis – currently offered to Swifts, this will rotate every half term giving all age groups the opportunity to take part.

Tuesday Choir, led by Delcine Dunsmore – open to all age groups, £3 a session.

Tuesday Gardening Club, led by Mrs Goymour – Skylarks & Swifts.

Friends of Banham School

FOBS is a charity run by parents / guardians who offer their time and ideas for the benefit of all pupils at Banham Primary School.

FOBS promote, organise and run a mix of fun activities for the children and fundraising events to purchase items / events chosen by staff, parents or children for the benefit of the children at the school.

The Friday morning cake sale is one we love! .30p a ticket for a chance to win the baked goods of the day at the celebration assembly Friday afternoons.

Please do think about joining FOBS, there is no pressure, you can contribute as much or as little as you're able or if you would like to bake something for our Friday morning sales, that would be fab too!

Rock Steady

Rock Steady, an independent music school led by William Carter, is an opportunity where your child can learn to play an instrument in their very own band with no experience necessary! The children learn songs they love in a fun and supportive in-school group setting.

<https://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com/parents/>



The children are enjoying Forest School with Karina our amazing Forest School leader who is bringing the natural world into our weekly curriculum in our beautiful space where the children can explore, play, discover, create or just "be" in a safe environment.



LOOK what we're
LEARNING!

Robins have had a fantastic start to their school journey, Miss Rout and I are extremely proud of them. In phonics we are busy learning our sounds, forming letters and blending the sounds to read words. In Maths we have been focusing on matching. Our topic this half term is What Makes Me, Me. We have all talked about our different family lives.

Wrens Wow! What a great start the Wrens have made to their first term together! We are very proud of all their hard work in school and at home! We are really enjoying our new geography topic- 'The Arctic'. We have been finding out about countries inside the Arctic Circle and the climate and weather in the Arctic. We are looking at how the Animal Kingdom groups animals into mammals, amphibians, reptiles, birds and fish! We found the Duck billed Platypus very interesting! We are working hard on our phonics, sentence making and handwriting. The Wrens have enjoyed finding out about shapes, too! Well done everyone!

Swifts have had an amazing start to the year! We have hit the ground running, exploring, ordering, comparing and writing out numbers all the way up to 10,000,000 in Maths. We have been using a picture book called The Arrival for our English lessons and we have been using some incredible vocabulary and description to show the emotions of the characters. We are learning about natural resources in our Geography lessons and have spent some time this week exploring the pros and cons of wind farms, solar panels and hydroelectric dams. We were also super lucky to be invited to Banham zoo to help them shoot some new promo footage - so keep an eye out for us!!

Skylarks In science, Skylarks created a solar oven and investigated what changes could be made to it to make it more effective. They loved this task and showed great enquiry skills. We have also been continuing to write about 'The Incredible Book Eating Boy' by Oliver Jeffers and revising place value, addition and subtraction in maths.

Diary Dates

26th Sept – Easters Shotokan Karate Association – After of karate for the whole school

17th Oct – Afternoon of Martial Arts for the whole school with Master Andy

21st Oct – School photos

22nd Oct – STEPS for parents 12:30-3:00pm

25thOct-1st Nov – Half Term

11th Nov – NHS dentist visit for the whole school

21st Nov – Adult Learning KS2 Maths for parents 1:00-3:00pm

18th Dec – Rock Steady concert for parents of those children who are signed up

23rd Dec-6th Jan – Christmas Break

17th-21st Feb – Half Term

7th-22nd April – Easter Break

5th May – Bank Holiday

26th-30th May – Half Term

23rd July – Summer break begins

