

Barley & Barkway Federation Schools

# NEWSLETTER

11<sup>th</sup> OCT 2024

AUTUMN TERM

Faith

Curiosity

Wellbeing

Confidence

Dear Parents and Carers,

Congratulations to all of Year 3 and 4 who participated in the Cross Country Festival at King James Academy (KJAR) in Royston on Thursday. The weather wasn't ideal but unperturbed, our pupils warmed up in exercise led by KJAR Sports Leaders. They then ran a warm up lap and continued for a further 20 minutes with some of pupils running 5 laps. Whether 5 laps or 1, each child was determined to do their very best and Mrs West and I were very proud of everyone's achievements.

Further sessions of Forest School have taken place - this time for Nursery, Reception and Year 1. The children were all very excited to have taken part and are looking forward to further visits in the year.

Don't forget to join us for the Maths Presentation in Barley this coming Thursday 17th! It starts straight after school in Barley. Feedback from the recent one in Barkway was very positive. Children are welcome to come along too!

With every good wish for a peaceful weekend.

SHARON BROWN - FEDERATION HEADTEACHER

## UPCOMING EVENTS

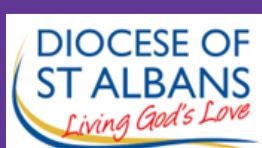
- Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October - Maths Presentation re Years 2, 3 and 4 - Barley after school
- Half term Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November
- Moonlight Market 23<sup>rd</sup> November - Children's choir at 5pm in Barkway Church - everyone is very welcome

*"Living Life in All  
Its Fullness"*  
-John 10



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# STARS OF THE WEEK

Children are chosen by their teacher to be Star of the Week and are proud to receive this recognition which we celebrate in our Sharing Assembly.

Stars are chosen for good behaviour, excellent work, demonstrating school values...

## NURSERY

This week in Nursery, our star is Poppy. The children have been learning about space and painting some space pictures. We were really impressed with Poppy when she independently painted the first letter of her name, 'P'. Well done Poppy.



## RECEPTION

This week in Reception, Leo is our star of the week. He always shows fantastic behaviour for learning and always follows our school rules. Leo sits beautifully during our carpet times, especially for phonics, and he is definitely a role model for the class. Leo has really impressed us with his phonics and blending to read CVC words this week. Excellent work, Leo! Well done!

## YEAR 1

This week in Apple Class, Ophelia is the star of the week for her fantastic recall of information in geography. She was able to name the 4 countries in the UK as well as all their capital cities. When she was quizzed later in the week she could still remember and recall the names of the surrounding seas and oceans of the UK.

Well done Ophelia!



# STARS OF THE WEEK

## YEAR 2

This week in Hazel Class, Storm is our shining star! Storm worked really well in a group with others, sorting and grouping animals according to their features, i.e. mammals and amphibians. Storm is a brilliant reader and will often read passages on the big screen to the whole class. Storm can take care in the presentation of her work and has produced some beautiful handwriting this term. Well done Storm, we are proud of you!



## YEAR 3

This week in Beech Class, Eliza is our star of the week. Eliza has a positive attitude to her learning and is kind and caring. She enjoyed sketching a portrait of her reading buddy at Margaret House which her buddy was proud of. In whole class reading this week we learnt how to use dictionaries. Eliza confidently searched for words to describe how Flat Stanley was feeling. Well done Eliza.

## YEAR 4

This week, our star of the week is Lynden. We have been writing our persuasive speech this week and Lynden has worked really hard to include all the features in his. He had alliteration with caring council, used a rhetorical question and had a range of conjunctions. I am looking forward to hearing Lynden give his persuasive speech to the class. Well done Lynden!



## SPORTS STAR

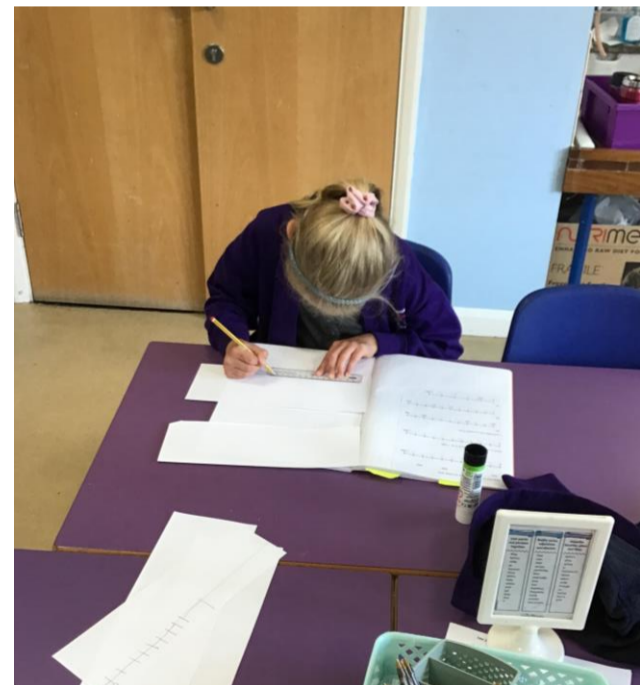
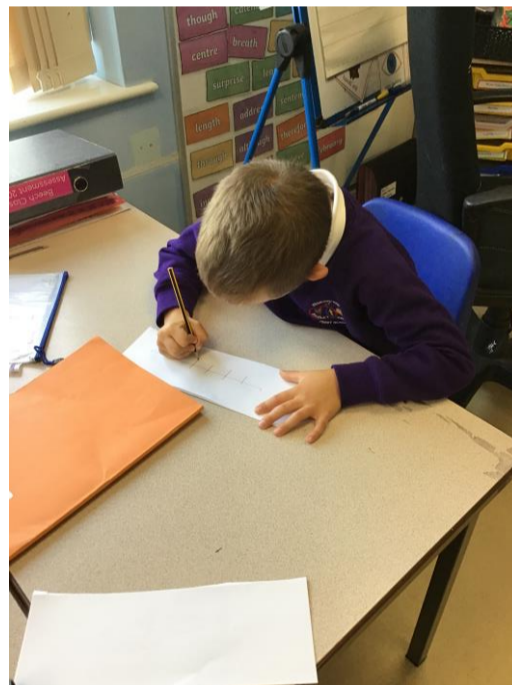
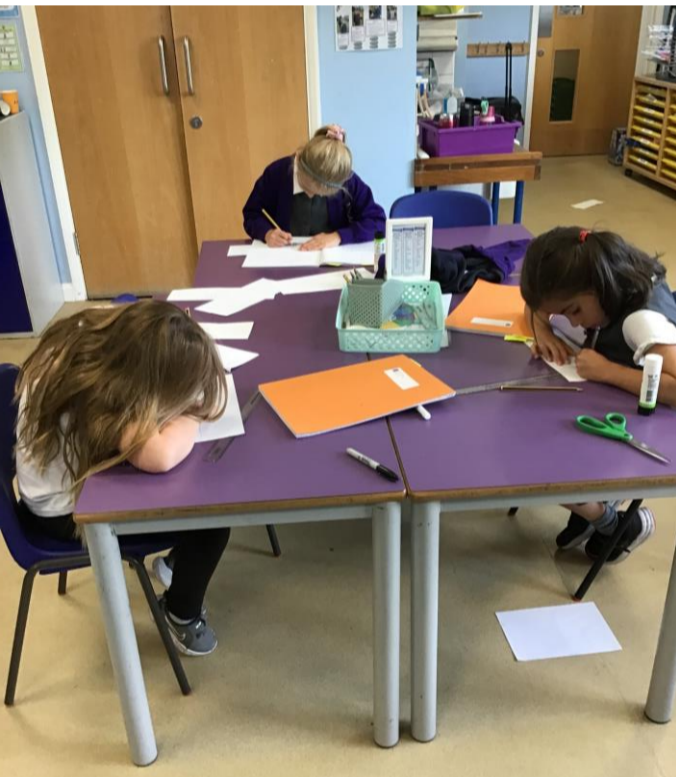
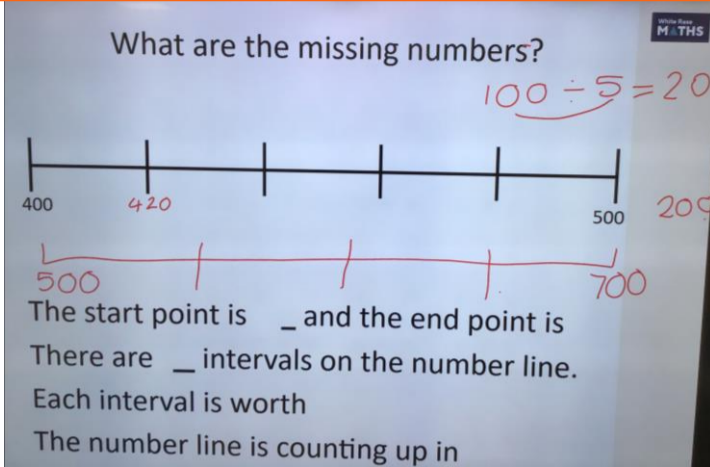
This week Amber is our shining star. She did a great job of reminding and coaching teammates the rules of the game while playing in PE this week! She showed a desire to win even when losing. She demonstrated her resilience to the class by tripping over, returning to her feet yet still escaping all attempted tackles! Excellent team play Amber.



# CLASS ACTIVITIES

## YEAR 3

Beech class drew their own number lines in maths to find missing numbers and identify different intervals.



## YEAR 3 & 4

This was Year 3 and 4 at the Cross Country Festival at KJAR on Thursday morning.

They had a lot of fun and represented the school well, seeing how many times they could run around the course in 20 minutes.

