



# Cumnor House Boys & Treetops Newsletter

w/e 3rd February 2017

Dear Parents

We had a very special visitor in Reception this week. Mr Steadman, our Headmaster, joined us on Wednesday to read a story and to look at the Rainforest Animal Posters the boys made as an extended homework task.

I had challenged the boys to make the posters as magnificent as possible and Mr Steadman agreed that they were in fact 'fantastic'. He has asked me to pass on his thanks to you all for your support. Each boy who took part was awarded with a small prize to reward their efforts, and we have displayed the wonderful posters around the school.

The Reception staff are always looking for ways to support our boys to be prepared for the transition to Year 1. Therefore, as of Tuesday, 7th February, we will be trialling a new way of lining up in the morning. On the first bell the boys will stand still as usual and at this point I would like you to wave a quiet farewell to your son and to promptly leave the playground. Once the playground is empty of parents, a second bell will be rung and the boys will line up. If you need to speak urgently to your sons class teacher, please speak to the teacher on duty. Most usually a message can be written in the contact book and your sons teacher will arrange to see you later that day between 3.00pm and 3.15pm.

I would like to remind you that between 8.00am—8.15am you have the option to pass your son over to the care of the teacher on duty in the playground. If you choose to stay with him in the playground, you remain responsible for his conduct until school starts at 8.15am. Please ensure that his behaviour does not have an adverse impact on any of the other children and that he obeys our school rules.

This also applies at the end of the day, during Football Club and Book View. Thank you for your continued support which is much appreciated by all of the Reception staff.

Mrs Collins

**Spring**



# Rainforest Animal Exhibition!

In Reception, the boys have been working hard to produce an extended piece of homework...posters with facts about a chosen jungle animal. All of the boys have made spectacular posters and we are all so proud of them! We were so excited to learn that Mr Steadman wanted to come to Reception to take a look for himself. He was amazed at all of the hard work the boys had put in. He looked at all of the posters, complimented the boys on their efforts, and finished off by reading "Monkey Puzzle" to the boys. What an exciting morning we had! Thank you Mr Steadman for coming!

Ms Greenash, Class RG





# Forest School Fun!



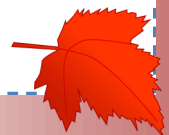
Class RC had great fun on Monday for their first taster of Forest School. They enjoyed climbing the trees and exploring the woods and the mud! A great time was had by all. We can't wait to go again. Thank you to Mr Jeff Potts and Mr Sheldon Peters (our bus drivers) for coming with us.

Mrs Philipps, Class RC



## Forest school News

Forest School on Monday 6th February  
for class RN.

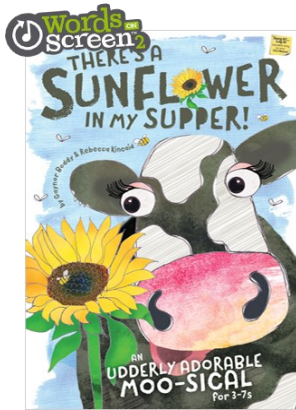


**Please may I remind you that you are not permitted to use your mobile phone, or any of its apps, whilst in either of our playgrounds or in the school building.**

**Thank you for your co-operation**

**Mrs Collins**





Reception Boys Spring Concert, 'There's a Sunflower in my Supper!' will take place on Monday 13th and Tuesday 14th March at 9.30am. A letter will be coming home after the half-term. A maximum of two tickets will be allocated to each family on a first come first served basis.

This weeks Talk Homework:- If you were to interview the Queen, what would you ask her and why?

Thank you to parents who attended our Coffee & Croissants event with the Heads — it was wonderful to see so many of you. If you require further information on moving up please, do not hesitate to contact me or Mrs Fiona Sharp, Admissions Registrar.

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### *Dates for the Diary*

*Monday, 6th February - Forest School Class RN*

*Monday 13th February - Half-term begins*

**Spring**





**'THE MOUSE TOOK A STROLL  
THROUGH THE DEEP DARK WOOD.  
THE MOUSE FOUND A NUT AND THE  
NUT LOOKED GOOD!'**

*Continuing with this half-terms theme 'The Gruffalo', the children in Treetops 1 have been acting out the story wearing animal masks reflecting the different characters in the book. The children were able to re-tell parts of the story and anticipate what would happen next.*

*Miss Waters, Treetops 1*

