



### Comic Relief



15 March will be a non uniform day in aid of Comic Relief. We will be asking for a donation of £1 towards this event.

Every year we hold a sponsored walk on the day of Comic Relief. After the event we donate half of what we raise to Comic Relief and the other half we donate to FOMS.

Attached to this News is a copy of the sponsor form for your child. We would be grateful if you would 'persuade' friends and family to make a small donation which will contribute to both good causes.

### Jigsaw Base Update!

Things are moving on swiftly with the Jigsaw Base. The electrics are being connected and on Tuesday **Ethan, Ben and Luke's mums** came in to paint the internal walls.



We would like to thank Wickes in Hertford who kindly donated the paint and the mums for giving up their free time and working so hard.

### Tales From The Chalkface!

#### Lower School

In art this week the children created 2D pictures of their chosen member of staff who helped them.

In reading the children are using non-fiction books to gain information.

Lower School's topic this half term is all about People Who Help Us. In the first week the children learnt about all of the people who help us around school. The children were naming different adults and talking about the jobs they did. In a link to geography we then used directions to find our way around school.



This week the children are learning about people who help us keep healthy on a regular basis such as optician, doctor, dentist and nurse. Robins have been to a pharmacy to find various items that might be used if we are injured or unwell.

In PHSE and RE we are learning about working together. Last week Owls all worked together with the giant parachute which they used to play a variety of games. We are also learning about taking turns, sharing and playing with friends safely.

In science we have been learning how to tell if something is living or non living. We went outside to find trees, stones, toys and other items and decided if they could move, needed feeding or they if were breathing.

#### Middle School

The children in Middle School have made a great start to their new topic 'Blooming Plants'. As part of this science based topic the children have been learning to recognise common plants in the world around them.

They have all enjoyed offsite visits to parks and gardens and have seen lots of daffodils, crocuses and snowdrops. The children are also learning to recognise the different parts of a plant and what they need to grow.



This week we shared the story 'Jack and the Beanstalk' and each child has planted their own bean to see if they can grow their very own beanstalk!

During dance lessons the children have started to retell the story of 'The Enormous Turnip' through movement which has been great fun. They have taken on the role of different characters in the story and have worked on their own, in pairs and in groups.



We have followed the vegetable theme through to our cooking lessons.



The children made delicious coleslaw using

carrots, onions and cabbages.

### Upper School

This term in PE we are practising athletics; we have been learning to throw bean bags to a target and practising running relay races. The children have enjoyed working individually and as part of a team. PHSE this term is about healthy living, we will be exploring how to keep our bodies and our minds healthy and happy.

The Upper School topic this term is 'Our Growing World'. In Science we are learning about habitats and adaptation and in Geography we are exploring a range of differing global environments. Linking to this in D&T we are following plans and designs to make better use of an overgrown wooded area on the school boundary.



Before

We are going to create a nature walk with different designed bug hotels etc and generally clear the area to make it a better place to explore.

### Middleton News



After session 1

In English we are creating imaginary worlds through our writing. Each week we are looking at a different picture to get our minds thinking, the children are then creating their own piece of writing about what their imaginary world would be like. The children are creating fantastic pieces of work.

This week Year 6 pupils will be attending Crucial Crew at Morgans School; this is an interactive safety initiative incorporating ten different scenarios over a two hour visit.

### Watch Out for.....

...a letter going out next week to let you know when the next coffee morning will be .....  
 ...a note to inform you of the date of the next FOMS meeting .

Also



Just to let you know that we will be holding our annual Easter Egg Raffle again this year – details in the next News.