## **HEADMASTER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**



## Dear Parents

Today we celebrated 'From the Heart Day' across the School, allowing us to talk more widely about the word 'love' and the various meanings that it can have. A topical theme in a week that included Valentine's Day, it allowed us to reach out to our charity, Friend in Deed, to see how we could connect with them at this special time in the year.

Year 7 had the opportunity yesterday afternoon to visit Chiswick House and Cromwell House, care homes within our local community that is also supported by our charity, where they spent time with the residents playing games, sharing stories and just simply spending time with them, an experience that the children loved.

Today was the turn of Pre Prep, who invited some of the residents to join us in school, where they had songs sung to them, while also making handprint paintings in a collaborative way. The residents were also presented with crystal hearts that Year 2 had been making in their science lessons

The day finished with a small gift from the PTA, with every pupil and member of staff getting a small number of chocolates to celebrate the day.

Earlier this week Reception and Nursery were busy making pancakes in celebration of Shrove Tuesday, while Year 2 gave presentations to the rest of Pre Prep about the sustainability projects they were going to undertake.

Year 4 visited the Time and Tide Museum in Great Yarmouth to learn more about the warship The Gloucester that ran aground off the Norfolk coast, which ties in with their topic on storms and shipwrecks, while Year 2 and their parents enjoyed their 'Discover Prep' event, introducing them all to the fun that comes with being in the prep department.

The Eco Council took the chance to work on the pond at a time when the weather took a turn for the better, while our swimmers were busy down at Culford in their bid to qualify for the national finals later this year.

Whatever half term brings for you, I hope that you all enjoy the break and I look forward to seeing you all a week on Monday.

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