

Dear Parents,

Can you believe this is our penultimate weekly news! How the year has flown!

This week we had a fantastic time at Otterden on Monday. The children were very well behaved and really were a credit to the school. They loved meeting Murphy the working farm dog. They raced against him to get his ball -obviously he won!

We met three piglets and a ewe and her lamb. Then we went for a talk with the Gamekeeper and he showed us his ferrets and explained how they help him catch rabbits. This was followed by a mini-beast hunt, and one of our groups found a gorgeous stag beetle.

After lunch we had a wonderful talk from the falconer and saw a barn owl, a eagle owl and a Harris hawk.

Lastly we learnt about seeds, and planted some of our own and got to sit in the farmer's big blue tractor!

It was a terrific day and really consolidated a lot of our food chain and animal learning. Thank you to the parents who came with us, your children loved you being with us, and I hope you enjoyed the day!

We followed this up in school with trip writing and sharing our recollections of the day.

Wednesday we had our last transition into year 3. You'll be please to know Mr Brown has made them keen and eager for their move into the Juniors, and they seem to be raring to go!

On Tuesday next week we are going on a walk around the village. We shall be following the field paths that take us from the station, across the stream and through the railway arch, back up to the church and back to school. We are taking Ordnance Survey symbols to see if we can find these in real life, and we shall have some time for our morning fruit and some drawing on the way. We will be back in time for lunch so nothing extra is needed. Keep an eye on the weather and send them with appropriate coats/sun cream. They are allowed to wear trainers for the day if you so wish.

Have a lovely weekend,

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