



Otters Class Newsletter

Friday 11th September 2026



What have the Otters been up to this week?

-This week in Maths we have been exploring place value. We have been partitioning numbers into thousands, hundreds, tens and ones. We have been using this skill to solve trickier problems. We also launched Times Tables Rockstars in a special Worship. Please support your Otter to access TTRS at home and improve their times tables knowledge and speed of recall.

-In English, we have started our story for the term 'The Little Island'. We have used roleplay and taken part in a debate about the behaviour of certain animals on the farm.

Our core concept this term is:

Risk and Responsibility

This week we launched our new core concept- Risk and Responsibility. We started our learning by looking at what the words mean and then explored what these concepts mean to us, from thinking about dangers like crossing the road without looking and taking care of our pets. We have also been able to make links to risk and responsibility in other areas of our learning across the curriculum. For example, when we were considering what makes us effective team players in PSHE. We have lots of exciting learning still to come!

Celebrations and what the Otters have to say...

For our '**Work on the Wall**' - this week we are celebrating **Sid** and **Maria**. Sid for his concentration and care in his writing this week for our new text 'The Little Island'. Maria for her perseverance in Maths this week, even when she found some things challenging. Great job, keep it up 😊

Our Headteacher's Award - this week it goes to **Benja** for his enthusiasm for our Times Tables Rockstars learning.

Our Pupil Voice "I think the geese are going to hatch an evil plan!" Lucian- predicting what might happen in 'The Little Island'

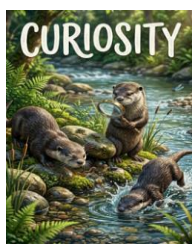
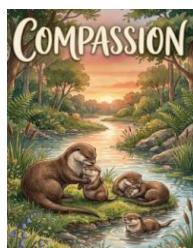
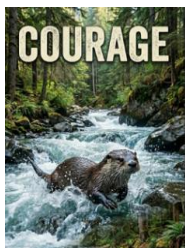
I am thrilled to announce that the following children have been elected by Otters class as our representatives:

Benja and Martha for our School Council

Archie and William for our Guiding Stars- Huge congratulations to you all!

Important Information:

- Remember wellington boots and wet weather gear for Forest School every Wednesday - Welly Wednesday
- Friday 18th September- PTA Coffee Morning, 9am in the Hall.
- Friday 2nd October- Individual School Photos (AM) Harvest Service St Mary's Church 2pm



Otters,
We have had a great first full week back in school. I am so proud of how you have embraced TTRS. Keep rocking those times tables!
We have a lot of exciting things to come this term. Wishing you all a peaceful weekend.

Mrs Smith