



Otters Class Newsletter

Friday 18th September 2026



What have the Otters been up to this week?

-This week in Maths we have continued with our place value unit. This week we have been finding 1, 10, 100 and 1,000 less than a given number and counting in different intervals on a number line. We had to use our skills to find missing numbers.

-In English, we have continued our story for the term 'The Little Island'.

We played the role of geese and mediators to write a diary and crafted our own endings to the story. We will find out how it really ends soon!

-In Spanish, we learned some common greetings. We will be using these regularly in class. Maybe ask your Otter what they have remembered.

Our core concept this term is:

Risk and Responsibility

The week started with our new Houses launch. Barley (red house), Clover (green house) and Thistle (blue house). We worked responsibly as teams to understand the significance of our new houses and did some fun hands on activities. In our Art we have started to explore the work of Van Gogh, where we will be using some of his famous painting techniques to create our own artwork representing 'Risk'. I am being deliberately cryptic about our future creations.

Celebrations and what the Otters have to say...

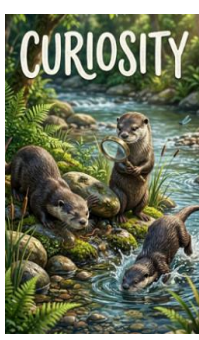
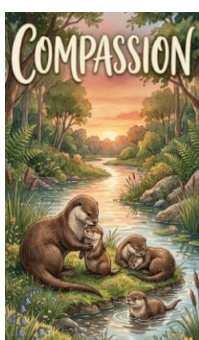
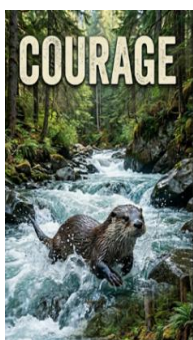
For our '**Work on the Wall**' - this week we are celebrating **William** and **Rupert**. William for his diary entry written from the perspective of a goose from 'The Little Island'. Rupert for his writing, he really paid attention to the events of the book to create his own ending. Great job, keep it up 😊

Our Headteacher's Award - this week it goes to **Rufus** for his politeness, superb listening and contribution to our English debate about the geese leaving the farm.

Our Pupil Voice "There's always a plot twist. The geese were going to die anyway." William responding to our story 'The Little Island.'

Important Information:

- Remember wellington boots and wet weather gear for Forest School every Wednesday - Welly Wednesday
- Thursday 24th September- SEND clinic with Mrs Short (booking required)
- Friday 2nd October- Individual School Photos (AM)
Harvest Service St Mary's Church 2pm



Otters,
What a busy week it has been, with lots of great learning and special visitors to our amazing school. They came into class to see our fabulous learning and spoke to different children. I am very proud of all my Otters for how you conducted yourselves this week. I continue to be proud of how you are embracing TTRS. Keep rocking those times tables! Have a nice weekend.

Mrs Smith