



# Otters Class Newsletter



Friday 22nd May 2026

## What have the Otters been up to this week?

- This week in Maths we have started learning about decimals.
- In English, we have been working hard to present in neat our non-chronological reports. I have to say, the children have exceeded my expectations. I am so proud of the Otters!
- In Science we excavated our fossils, some worked better than others, but we enjoyed the experience of being Palaeontologists! We also explored what makes soil and why it is important.

Our core concept this term is:

### Celebration and Change

This week we focused on our question: 'How can art change the world?' We have explored the work and life of Barbara Hepworth and created our own sculpture inspired by her work.

We also created posters to show our learning about 'Change around the world' from our research into the 3 different places.

In Forest School we practised our fire-lighting skills and toasted marshmallows.

### Celebrations and what the Otters have to say...

For our '**Work on the Wall**' - this week we are celebrating **May and Rufus R.** May wrote an amazing newspaper report about an Earthquake hitting Stelling Minnis! I really loved the quotes from Mrs Buss and Farmer Henry. Rufus has also worked his socks off this week, with presenting his non-chronological report, he persevered even when he found the amount of writing a challenge. Great job, keep it up 😊

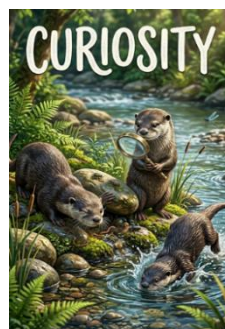
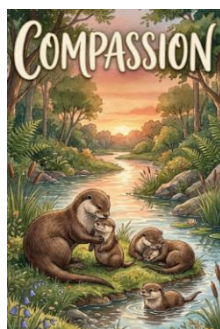
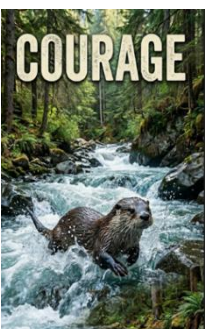
**Our Headteacher's Award** - this week it goes to **Nigel** for his hard work and perseverance when writing his 'Rocks' non-chronological report. His efforts paid off and he produced a beautiful piece of work!

**Our Pupil Voice** "The Maldives Islands are so small, you can't see them all on a globe!" Lucian

### Important Information:

- Remember wellington boots and wet weather gear for Forest School every Wednesday - Welly Wednesday.
- Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May- Stelling Minnis Fun Run.
- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June- Term 6 begins
- Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June- Open Farm Sunday

Reminder- We are starting to see toys and objects being brought in from home for use at play times. Please remind your children to keep these at home.



Teacher Message:

Otters,

You have worked amazingly hard this term. I am so, so proud and loving being your teacher! We have lots to look forward to next term, including our Production! Have a great week off and see you ready for learning on the 1<sup>st</sup> of June!

Mrs Smith xx