

2018

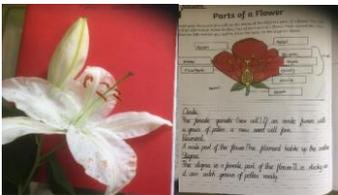
Enjoy Achieve Succeed

### Fantastic Foxes



To coincide with Science Week FF have been learning about the importance of light. We looked through a dark hole in a box and recorded what we could see. We then used torches to see through the hole. The children were able to record their investigations and make effective conclusions from their findings.

### Awesome Aadvarks



As part of our Science focus, we have enjoyed dissecting flowers to see how they become pollinated and fertilised. Each part of the flower was then named and labelled.

Well done to everyone for getting off to a great start with Accelerated Reader. Keep reading!

### Marvellous Monkeys



#### **Talk for Writing – Writing a Fable**

We have been discussing fables. We have recalled a fable “The Fox and The Raven” and then we have written our own.

#### **Achievements**

A huge congratulation to Hannah for completing her Bronze Challenge in swimming and receiving a trophy!!

### Clever Cats



#### **Mathematics**

Children have been discussing a range of 2D and 3D shapes. To help them reinforce the aspect and visualise shapes we went on a shape hunt around the classroom to identify and draw the shapes we could find.

#### **Achievements**

A huge well done to the whole class for winning the attendance award! Keep it up.

### Derby City SSP DanceFest 2018

A group of 12 KS2 children who attend the after-school Dance Club were taught a routine by Lauren from Derby County Community Trust, to Wiley’s “Heatwave”. They performed at the Celebration of Dance Festival at the Riverside Centre on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March in front of 13 other schools and parents. The children should feel very proud of themselves for learning the routine in such a short time. Well done!

### **World Book Day**

Due to the unexpected snow days we had, Ash Croft has re-arranged World Book Day for **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2018**. So keep them book costumes in a safe place and we look forward to seeing you all dressed up in your favourite characters or 'word'.



**Safeguarding and Internet Safety** We would like to keep you all informed of the continued dangers on-line. If you have any concerns or worries, please do not hesitate to Mrs Haddon/Mrs Twigg or myself at school.

#### **Advice for parents - what to do if your child sees something upsetting online**

Tips for preventing children from seeing something upsetting, frightening, adult or illegal content online include:

- use parental controls to block content from your child's device
- have open conversations about what your child is doing online.

Tips for parents whose child has seen something upsetting include:

- remain calm and ask questions to understand how the content has appeared;
- don't place blame;
- use resources such as the NSPCC website for support.
- <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/blog/advice-parents-what-do-if-your-child-sees-something-upsetting-online>

### **Sinfin LIVE at Home**



**Terrific Tigers**  were superb hosts to the Sinfin Live at Home scheme, which is a scheme that helps to support the elderly in our community. We had a lovely group come in and talk to the children. The children discussed their topic work, played cards and games and also had some great questions to ask the elderly. We are very proud of our children who were extremely kind, thoughtful and compassionate towards our guests. Our guests were very grateful and thoroughly enjoyed their time with the children over a cup of tea and cake.

### **Staff News**

We would like to welcome back Mrs Alison Goodlip to Ash Croft she will be joining us as an Intervention Teacher.

### **School Closure**

After the unexpected snow closures, please can I highlight how important it is to have parents/carers most up to date telephone numbers. We were very surprised that we had to close the school for two days. We tried to keep the communication between school and parents as clear as possible by sending out a text, updating the website, Twitter feed and informing BBC Radio Derby. For the most up to date information on the school, please follow us on Twitter - @AshCroftSch and Ash Croft and Cottons Farm - @ACandCF

### **End of Day Procedures**

Thank you to all the parents/carers who have supported the new picking up children procedure and have stood behind the designated white line at the end of the day. We hope you understand that these measures have been put into place to ensure that your child/children are collected safely at the end of the day.

### **Parent Forum**

We look forward to seeing parents/carers/grandparents next term for Parent Forum Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April at 9.15.

Thank you for your continued support and I would like to wish you all a safe and happy Easter. We will be back to school on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

**Mrs M. Ubhie** - Head of School

**Please see below for a list of the other important dates for your diaries next term.**

Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	<b>Break up for Easter</b>
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	<b>Inset Day</b>
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Start of Summer 1</b>
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> April	Y5 Cycle Derby
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> April	Y6 Memory Book Photos
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> April	E-Safety Day
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> April	Parents Forum at 9.15am
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> April	Clever Cats class assembly at 2.45pm
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> May	May Day <b>BANK HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> May	SATS Week
Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Ash Croft Book Day
Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Super Stars class assembly at 2.45pm
Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Break up for Half Term</b>
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Start of Summer 2</b>
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> June	E-Safety Day
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> June	Busy Bees class assembly at 2.45pm
Tue 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day
Tues 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Y6 Leavers assembly
Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Y6 Transition Day
Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Parent Forum at 9.15am
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>INSET DAY</b>
Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	RockSteady Concert at 2.45pm
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Break up for Summer</b>

**Please note INSET DAYS**

– **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2018**

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2018**



# ASH CROFT AND COTTONS FARM PRIMARY FEDERATION



## MISSION STATEMENT AND VISION

Our mission is for all children to:

**'Enjoy, Achieve and Succeed'**

Our Vision is to provide the best opportunities for **'SMART CHILDREN'** who are:

**S**upported and safe

**M**otivated

**A**spirational and achievers

**R**eady to learn

**T**rusting and tolerant

**C**onfident, challenged and creative

**H**appy and healthy

**I**nnovative, inspired individuals

**L**eaders who are listened to

**D**etermined in our diverse community

**R**espectful and responsible

**E**njoy learning

**N**urtured