

# NEWS ROUND UP

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## Class ERA

Class ERA have got off to a great start this term and have been enjoying the great outdoors to support and enrich our learning.

In science we have begun our topic habitats. The class conducted a habitat survey around the school grounds numbering the different habitats that they discovered and then plotting them on a map for other classes to find and add to. We will use this information to plan ways of protecting the habitats we have.

As a class we have designed and made our own micro habitat to attract animals that we have not observed so far. We have decided to attract amphibians and so have made a habitat with water, shade, and pipes to provide shelter.

On Friday we went out for the day rook pooling. The weather was a bit dull but tides perfect enabling us to explore secret habitats of the sea.

This week we are learning about food chains and the importance of biodiversity. This is proving to be a topic that is really making us think and reflect on the impact we have on our world.

Topic this term is all about the Ancient Greeks. The class have enjoyed learning about Alexandra the Great and his many conquests. In English we are exploring Greek Myths. We have learnt the story of Pandoras Box which led us to consider what we would put in her box and release on the world.



## Oakfield Post 16



**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July was National Writing Day.**  
**The group discussed writing a collaborative poem and decided on a Haiku**  
**Here are the two, that made it through.**

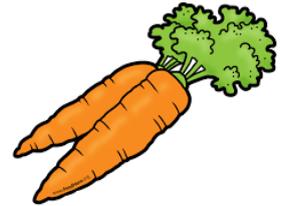


### Oakfield Goat update – part 2

**Cupid and Catherine have settled in well at Oakfield. Cupid is now more confident and they both enjoy being around people.**  
**The students have enjoyed taking care of the goats. Here are some facts about the goats from the students –**

**Favourite snack – carrots**  
**Favourite activity – climbing**  
**Likes – being petted**  
**Dislikes – the rain**

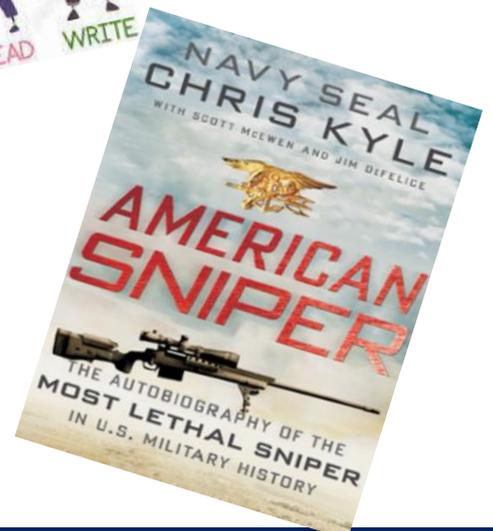
**Stand by for more news next time !**



This week, students have really enjoyed taking part in reading activities. Students from OBO's class are engaged in the biography from the American Sniper, Chris Kyle. A book based around an American soldier deployed to the Middle East to fight in a war. Students are listening to the story and are also joining in and reading sections to practice their reading skills. Students are then taking key bits of information from the book and then researching them on the internet to find out what they are. All students are improving their listening and reading skills and are able to show progress throughout their lessons.



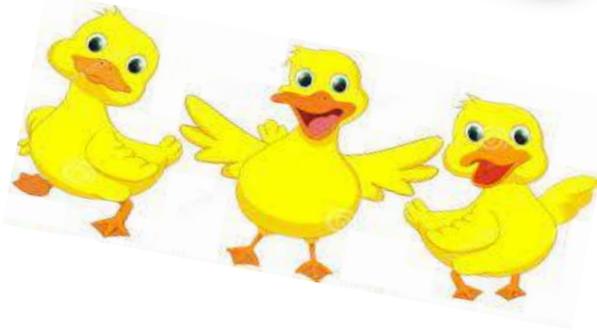
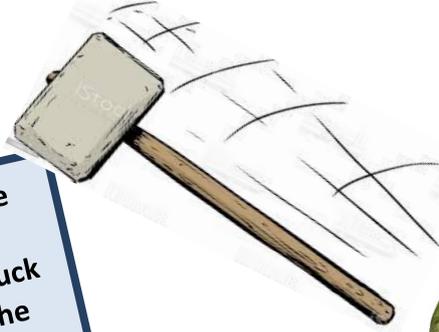
## OBO Class



## OBO Class continued

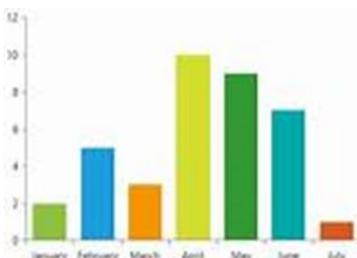


Students from OBO class were able to help dig out the old wooden poles from the old duck enclosure making way for the new one. Students used a variety of tools including spades to dig up the ground the poles were sitting in, mallets and sledgehammer to loosen the pole from the concrete foundations and a wheelbarrow to move the rubble. The students displayed great teamwork and problem-solving skills to get the job complete.

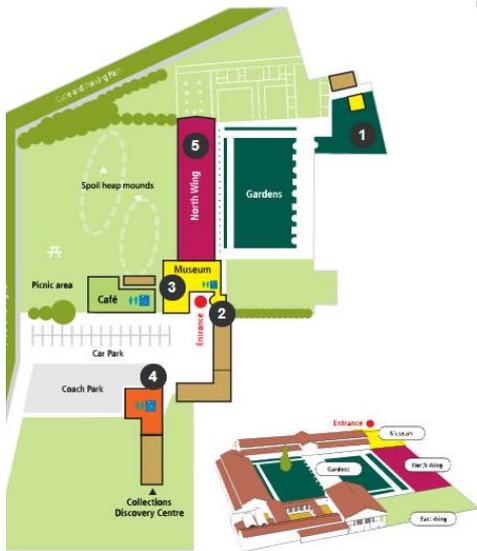


## JMC Class

JMC class have been roleplaying the myth of Medusa in class for English, the children have shown excellent engagement and enjoyed learning all about Greek mythology. In Maths the children have been working on interpreting data and are showing a growing level of confidence making bar charts and line graphs.

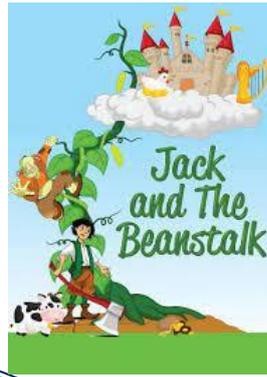


## KS4 Class

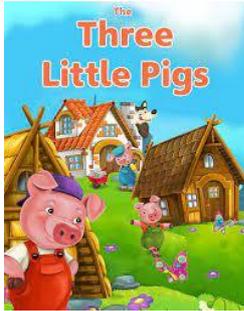


On Friday 18th June we went on a fantastic trip to Fishbourne Palace, where we observed the fascinating Ancient Roman mosaics, still fixed within the floors of the palace. After a long and rainy coach journey, we arrived ready to learn. We wandered through, the track taking in the remains, from thousands of years ago. Not only were there remaining mosaics, but the skeletons of the inhabitants of Roman Britain, uncovered in the ground. Plus, there were Roman coins and other interesting artifacts aplenty. We finished our time there by enjoying the private luncheon.

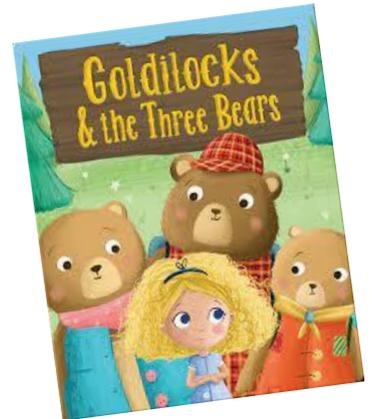




**MST Class**



This term we have been learning about traditional tales such as, The Three Little Pigs, Goldilocks and the Three Bears and Jack and the Beanstalk. We have been using small world props to act out each story, planting our own beanstalks and innovating the stories to create our own class books. We have also been learning about 2D and 3D shapes through shape hunts offsite, shape games and singing songs. For Science, this term we have been building different model houses out of different materials and trying to blow them down pretending to the Big Bad Wolf.



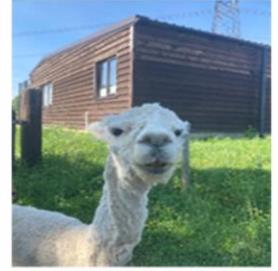
## Pictures From The Farm



Before Hair Cut



The Hair Cut



After Hair Cut



The animals enjoying running around on the grass.



Enjoying a cool down with the hose.



The animals like to be pampered by the students.





## Teamwork in the LINK!!

We have been encouraging some of the Vocational students to support in the LINK area these past few weeks. Here is a lovely picture of some collaborative research on local places of interest. It has been a real positive for all involved and something we want to develop in the coming year.



## Message from Maria and Ross

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another very busy 3 weeks of term. We would like to say a huge well done to all our students who have worked so hard towards their AS level, GCSEs and BTECS. These have now been sent off to the relevant examination boards for further moderation. We are looking forward to receiving the AS level results on the 10th August and the GCSE and BTEC results on the 12th August. All students involved in examinations will be receiving a letter today from our Assistant Headteacher, Debbie. Any questions please email Debbie on [dhoyland@headstartschool.co.uk](mailto:dhoyland@headstartschool.co.uk)

The wealth of trips, learning and experiences that our students have available to them is really quite remarkable. This has included a fantastic trip to Fishbourne Palace, where students observed the fascinating Ancient Roman mosaics, making micro habitats and exploring a wide range of habitats and roleplaying the myth of Medusa whilst learning all about Greek mythology. Traditional tales such as, the Three Little Pigs, Goldilocks and the Three Bears and Jack and the Beanstalk have been explored, leading on to building different model houses out of a variety of materials and trying to blow them down pretending as the Big Bad Wolf would.

In typical British weather style, please ensure that all students are equipped to deal with the sun and the rain. Appropriate footwear to access land based is essential, as well as sun cream, hats and waterproofs.

We are really looking forward to the last three weeks of term.

All the best

Maria and Ross

