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**Weekly outdoor learning
with Woodland Forest
School**

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Message from Miss Hodges

We have had a very busy week at Leatherhead Pre-Prep, European languages day, celebrating Cognita's Global Be Well Day today and individual photographs yesterday – what happy, smiley children we have!

I would like to say a big thank you to all those parents who have contributed videos of greetings in different languages to celebrate European languages day. The children heard Polish, French, Italian, Spanish, Irish and Swedish and watched the videos with enthusiasm. Some children were able to hear words that they have heard in their own families and were able to identify some French words that they use in their lessons with Madame Roscoe.

I have had a lovely day as Leatherhead Pre-prep's Well-being Lead, watching the children take part in activities to celebrate our Global Be Well Day. I was involved in an energetic warm-up routine this morning with Rabbits class, helped Butterflies make necklaces, made playdough with Busy Bees, talked about healthy eating and the importance of sleep in our celebration assembly and have seen some excellent sharing in Reception – well done everyone!

A big thank you again to parents who have sent photographs to me of their children doing things that make them happy. These will be put on our wellbeing display along with photographs of the day.

I would like to wish you all a very happy weekend and may you all be well and stay well.

Jeans for Genes

On Friday 20th the children wore jeans to school to support the charity Jeans for Genes. The children donated some money to support the charity. We talked to the children about how the money they gave will support people who might be unwell and need help.



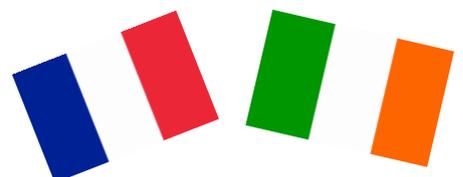
The children enjoyed wearing their jeans and showed a real concern for the children that the charity helps.

A big thank you for all of your donations, we raised £120.41 which we will be sending to Jeans for Genes.



European Day of Languages

For European Languages day we had a variety of different languages to listen to. Barney showed us his Irish friend on the tablet and Antoine and Leocadie's mummy read us a story in French. Leocadie was able to help us translate and said "its about the bears!"



Don't Forget


Forest Tots
 18 months - 5 years
 Stay and play Forest School sessions for Pre-School children



Downsend Pre-Prep Leatherhead
 Tuesday mornings
 10.45 - 11.45am

£6.50/session | book online

Lots of outdoor fun with bugs, marshmallows and a campfire!
 There'll be story telling, crafts, mud play and our famous hot chocolate!

For more details and to book online:
www.woodlandforestschool.com
 follow us on Twitter/Facebook/Instagram

Star of the Week

Well done to the following children who were awarded 'Star of the Week'.

Ladybirds - Honey
 Butterflies - Ava
 Rabbits - Liezah
 Foxes - Alexia
 Owls - Maria Lily
 Squirrels - Oscar

Celebration Board

Each week we celebrate a special piece of work in our celebrations assembly.

Congratulations to the following children...

Rabbits - Edward
 Foxes - Blake
 Owls - Alastair
 Squirrels - April

Useful contacts



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Maths in Year 1

In our maths lessons this week, Year 1 have been learning how to compare numbers using less than, more than and equal to. Using two dice to find two numbers, the children then had to decide whether they needed to use $<$, $>$ or $=$ to make their number sentences correct. Look out for



more opportunities to compare numbers using these mathematical symbols at home or when you are out and about!

My Family

Rising Reception have enjoyed this week's topic My Family.



The children sent in photographs of their family and talked about who everyone was. We then made a house with different coloured

windows and every colour represented a different person or pet.



News from main site

We are fortunate to have such supportive and energetic parents at Downsend! On Sunday, around 400 people attended the first DPA event of the year, the Circus Skills Fun Day, and great fun it was too. At this week's DPA AGM, the year ahead was planned and we are all excited about the fun evenings ahead: there is a Quiz Nights, Summer Ball and Christmas Fayre to look forward to, amongst many other activities. It promises to be a fantastic year for the DPA.

Mr I Thorpe

Events Week Commencing 30th September

Lunch Menu Week 2

Mon	pm	Y1 at mainsite for Y1 sports event
Tues	All day	Mrs Conlan in school Y1 at British Wildlife Centre
Wed		
Thurs	All day	Mrs Conlan in school National Poetry Day
Fri	am All day	Mrs Conlan in school Open morning World Smile Day

Save the Date

Friday 22nd November	Year One Movie Night
Thursday 28th November	Quiz Night

Inspiring young minds