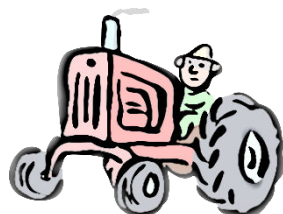
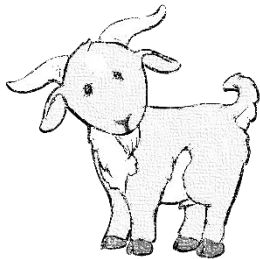
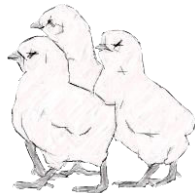


# Newsletter

## Newbridge Farm Park

Classes 1 and 2 went on a trip to Newbridge Farm Park. We were very excited! When we got there the first thing we got to do was feed the goats. Next we went into the barn to see some animals. We saw guinea pigs, rabbits, chicks, a chinchilla, a millipede and a cockroach! Then we picked up the chicken's eggs and put them in the egg boxes. After that we fed the llamas. Next we got to give the baby lambs a bottle of milk. The last thing we did before lunch was to go on a tractor ride. It was lots of fun! We went and ate our lunch in the white marquee because it was raining. After lunch we played in the hay bales and we went on the rope swing. We also went on the slide. Finally we played in the sand pit. We built sandcastles, we used the diggers and we played in the house. We really really liked the farm and had a super day!

### By Class 1



## Growing Plants

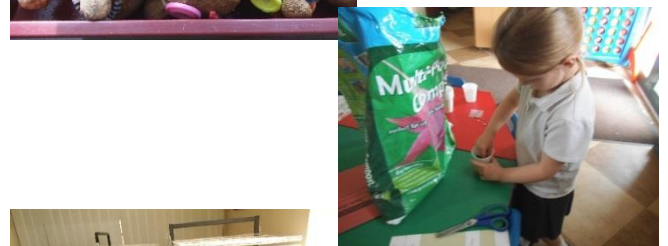
In Class 2 we have been learning about plants, we have been very busy planting! We have set up an experiment to see where bean plants grow best. Do they grow best in the dark or in the light? We will let you know the results. We will be observing the plants over 4 weeks. So far, the bean plant in the light has grown 7cm. The bean plant in the dark has not grown a stem yet but the seed has swollen.

For our vegetable plot we planted seeds with Miss Rider. We have planted runner beans and peppers, they have already started to grow. We water all of our plants every day.

We have also had fun creating and decorating our Cress Heads, we are waiting for them to sprout before we take them home to show you. Ms Evans has set a Sunflower Challenge. First we planted our sunflower seed and then we took it home. On the last day of term, we will compare our pictures and measurements.

Who will win?

### By Class 2



# We The Curious

On Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April class 3 and 4 went on a coach to We The Curious in Bristol. We went there to learn about science and technology. First, we all went upstairs to the planetarium, which is where you sit on chairs that lie back and have 3d glasses on to go into the solar system.

After that we had our lunch but we only had 15 minutes as we had to go straight to our workshop where we made scribble bots. A scribblebot is a cup with a motor on which can draw lines. We all put the scribblebots on a piece of paper to make a scribble picture which was framed for us to bring back to school to display. We also made a horse out of a dust pan and brush. When we added an electric motor, we held pretend races.

When we had finished our workshop, all of year 4, 5 and 6 went to explore the rest of the displays while year 2 and 3 went to their workshop. They had a pirate workshop about computer coding and they had to crack the pirate code. There are lots of interesting things to do at We The Curious, such as a freeze-frame where you press a button and it gives you 5 seconds to do a pose and it turns up as the shadow on the wall or computers to create animations. Finally we went downstairs and explored there as well. There was a giant hamster wheel that powered a water corkscrew which moves the water into a big bucket and lots of other science activities. The favourite activity for year 2 was the magnetic parachutes which they had to wind up to the top of the building then release them to fly back down. We left Bristol at 3.15pm but got stuck in traffic jams on the way home, so we didn't get back to school until 5.45. We all had a fantastic day and we got to experience lots of different activities. We would definitely like to go back another day.

**By Megan and Will, Class 3**



# Tag Rugby

On Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March, some pupils from Class 3 and 4 were involved in a Rugby Tournament. For four weeks running up to the tournament, we had been going to rugby club with Dan Stretton after school to practice and go over the rules.

The tournament took place at Marden and was held over on the field. Lots of different schools came and we got to play games against them. We won a few of the games and had a few ties. As well as our school team, we had a team called the Barbarians, which was made up of subs from different schools, so they couldn't win.

Unfortunately, we didn't get to the final. The final game was Llangrove vs Pencombe. Overall, Llangrove won. We came joint 5<sup>th</sup> with Sutton. On that day it was very hot, so hot that even Miss Phillips got sunburnt! Caroline Stretton was so kind that she gave us two packets of Haribo's each. At the end, Tegan and I stood up to say thank you to Dan for organising the tournament.

**By Evelina and Tegan, Class 4**



**Don't forget your hard boiled eggs for the egg rolling competition and your entries of hard boiled or blown eggs for the egg decorating competition on Friday**

## Dates for your diary

Egg decorating and rolling competition – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April  
End of term assembly, All welcome – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April 1.30pm  
Break up for end of term at 2.15pm – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April  
School Resumes – Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April  
Bank holiday Monday – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May  
SATS week for Year 2 & 6 – 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> May  
Year 6 photograph – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May  
Break up for half term – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May  
School Resumes – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June  
Summer Fete - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June  
Class 4 residential – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 8.30am  
Class 4 return – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June  
Sports Day – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July  
Leavers Assembly, All welcome – 1.30pm  
End of Summer term at 2.15pm – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July

**HAVE A WONDERFUL EASTER  
FROM ALL AT MARDEN PRIMARY  
ACADEMY**

