

# Langley Fitzurse

## Church of England Primary School



### Phoenix Class Newsletter End of Term 4

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful getting to know the children in Phoenix Class again this term!

In Maths, Year 4 have been learning about decimals and money, while Year 5 have been exploring decimals, percentages, and geometry. Across all units, the children have been practising how to explain their reasoning clearly and choose the most efficient methods for different calculations.

In English, we read an exciting story about a giant Arctic jellyfish. Inspired by this, the children created their own non-chronological reports about different species of jellyfish. We will be sending these off to David Attenborough, along with a special card to celebrate his 100th birthday on 8th May 2026. The class also enjoyed reading *The Strange Case of Origami Yoda*, and we plan to share the sequel with them next term.

Our topic work on the Titanic has sparked impressive enthusiasm



and knowledge from the children. They created clay models of the Titanic, and once the models had dried, they carefully painted them with great attention to detail.



In Science, the children have been learning about healthy movement and how food fuels our bodies. Working with a partner, they designed plates of food suitable for an elite athlete, an adult female, and an adult male, considering the different calorie needs of each. We also carried out an exciting experiment linked to both our Titanic topic and Science Week. The children wore a glove covered in lard to create a 'blubber' barrier, then placed both their bare hand and their 'blubber' hand into ice-cold water to see which could withstand the cold for longer.



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The children enjoyed a really interesting visit to a Sikh Gurdwara as part of our RE topic this term. While we were there, we found out a great deal of information about this fascinating religion, and had the chance to ask lots of questions. We were even given snacks before we left, as serving others is such an important part of the religion. The children were very respectful and attentive during every moment of our time in this Sikh holy place. Well done.

It has been a busy and inspiring term, and I am incredibly proud of the children's curiosity, creativity, and hard work.

Thank you for your continued support this term. We hope you all enjoy a well-deserved break and look forward to welcoming the children back for another exciting term ahead.

Warmest wishes,

Mrs Harris, Mr Osler, Mrs Flynn and Mrs Tayler