

## Message from Mrs Millsop:

The school has been buzzing with unusual sounds and smells this week! Reception children have ben absorbed in watching the chicks hatch and grow in person and via chick cam. All 10 hatched, for the first time ever. At the other end of the school, Year 6 parents have visited to watch Tudor dancing and enjoy a banquet of Tudor food prepared in our Food Tech room by the children.

Year 3 have visited Moulden Hill in some of the sunshine we have enjoyed and Year 1 shared and listened to stories with other Year 1 children in the collaboration. Next week some Y5 children are participating in a debate competition with the collaboration schools. Many events are planned for next week such as the Year 4 performance, our Courage reflection worship times, special Easter worship as well as Egg rolling and the Easter hat parade.

W/C 27th March	W/C 17th April	W/C 24th April
М	M Term 5 begins	М
Т	Т	Т
W Y4 Performance	W	W
T Celebration	Т	Т
F Easter Events	F	F Non School Uniform
1pm School finishes		day for Julia House

## News

**Collaboration:** We are working closely with 6 other maintained schools in a variety of ways. We meet as leaders and class teachers regularly. The children are having experiences together such as sport and curriculum opportunities. We are finding working together in this way is supporting us to share best practice to move the school forward and provides fun and enriching activities for the children. The six schools are Even Swindon, Haydonleigh, Chisledon, Oliver Tomkins, Bishopstone and St Francis. We call ourselves MSC (Maintained Schools Collaboration).

## Values: COURAGE

We continued with our theme of 'wows' 'ows' and 'nows' this week. We thought about the need to pause and reflect in the busyness of the day. We thought about how some people might pray, or meditate, or be still with their thoughts and this can be helpful to enjoy and be present in the moment. We learned about Mary Wesley and Ruby Bridges who used prayer to help them in busy, intense moments in their lives.