



LITTLE WALTHAM
C.E.V.A. Primary School

WEEKLY NEWS

Aspiring to inspire others towards excellence

Winter Term – Edition 11 – 24th November 2023



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Dear parents,

It's been another great week here at Little Waltham. Today our school came together to celebrate a Faith Day focusing on the festival of light. It was great to see the dedicated work and engaging discussions that took place in our classrooms.

Last Friday, our school football team achieved an impressive 2-0 victory in the local derby against Great Waltham Primary. For many of the boys, this was the first time they had represented the school team and it was pleasing to see the team play with confidence. A big congratulations to Josh and Liam for scoring the goals and to the entire team for their outstanding performance.

Thanks to the incredible support from all our families, we were able to raise an impressive sum of £142 for Children in Need.

As we look ahead to the coming week, we have some exciting events to anticipate. Next week is our termly assessment week in school. We are also eagerly looking forward to the Year 6 class assembly next Wednesday, where our pupils will take to the stage to showcase their learning on the Galápagos Islands. We look forward to welcoming our Year 6 parents to the first class assembly of the year.

On Friday 1st, we will host a special Christmas tree dressing assembly as we come together as a school to decorate our school Christmas tree. Parents are welcome to join us at 9am for this festive assembly, as we usher in the spirit of Christmas.

Lastly we are thrilled to share the remarkable news that artwork created by two of our Year 6 pupils, Lolly and Kelsey, has been selected to be exhibited at the Houses of Parliament in Westminster as part of the Creative for Climate Justice Project run by Christian Aid. An outstanding achievement!

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Mr S Saunders
Headteacher

Teddy-Lympics

Chestnut Class

On Tuesday, Chestnut Class took part in their Teddy Lympics events at school.

Everyone joined in brilliantly in all of the sporting events and showed great enthusiasm.

They supported their friends and had a really fun morning! 😊





Yr6 Assembly

Wednesday 29th November

We would be delighted to welcome parents to a Year 6 class assembly on the morning of Wednesday the **29th November 2023** at 9am.

You will have been contacted individual via Schoolcoms providing details of the custom your child will need to bring in with them on **Monday 27th November**. The costume will need to be brought in, in a carrier bag as it will be used during rehearsals.

The assembly will last for approximately 20 minutes.

Christmas Tree Dressing

Friday 1st December, 9am

At 9am on Friday 1st December we would like to welcome all parents/carers to our Christmas tree dressing assembly. Space will be limited, and therefore we do ask if alternate arrangements can be made for younger siblings we would be grateful.



Christmas Bazaar

Friday 1st December, 4-7pm

The PTA have been extremely busy preparing for this year's Christmas Bazaar; with lots of games and stalls planned its set to be a great event. We can wait to see you all there.



Little Waltham Primary School
**CHRISTMAS
BAZAAR**
FRIDAY 1st DECEMBER
4-7pm
Festive performances
from the school choir
Stalls
Games
Refreshments
plus much more...

The Friends
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C.E.V.A. Primary School

The Big Question

'What does it mean to live in hope?'

Chestnut

It means you can always hope that nothing bad will happen- Adnan

It means you can give everyone courage- Zac

If you hurt yourself, you can hope it won't hurt anymore- Julia

Hope means to be kind and encourage each other- Lilly

If you hope for something, it would be great if it happened- Albert

Elm

Always being hopeful (class discussion)

Wanting good things to happen

Sycamore

If you have hope you hope that your dreams might come true. - Kay

It means to believe in something and have hope in it – Michelle

It means to live hopefully every day because you know one day something good is going to happen. -

Wing-Sum

I think that living in hope means if something bad is happening you don't let it stop you having positive thoughts. - Hugo

Willow W

To keep seeing the best in people – Liam

To live knowing that you are happy and working to make the best of things – Grace

To live with a sense of happiness – Bradley

To see hope in other people – Phoenix B



Lunchtime Art Club

Using natural resources

At lunch time some of our children got 'crafty' with Miss Poulton using the natural materials around them to create some beautiful art work.



This week's value is creation.

Dear God,
We thank you for the story of creation. Help us to respect God, our world and to respect other people even if they seem very different from us.

Amen.

*God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. **Genesis 1:31***



Work of the Week

Ash Class

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Ash Class

Blake

For superb artwork ! Well done.



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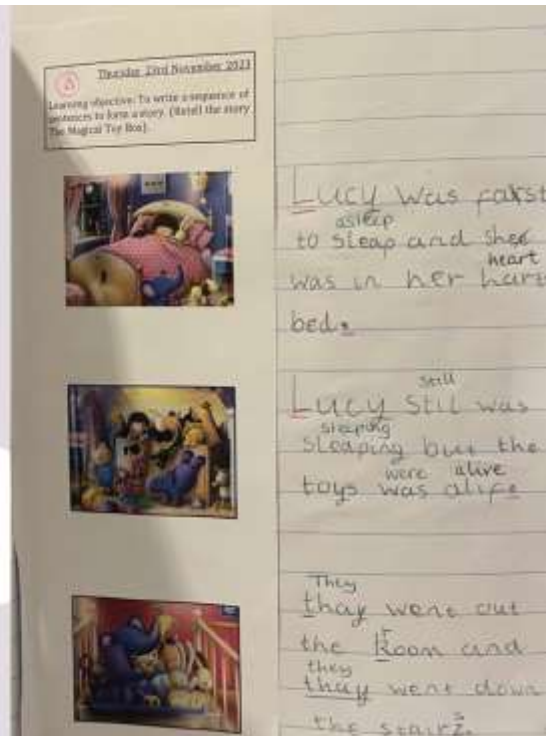
Chestnut

Work of the Week

Chestnut Class

Julia

Amazing writing from Julia,
really nice seeing you
using your writers voice to
engage your audience.



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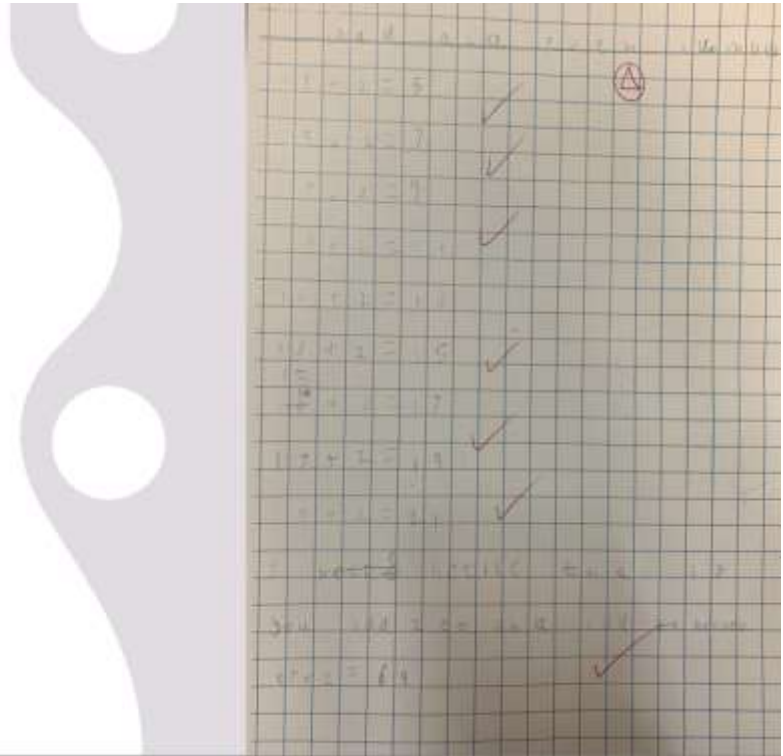
Elm

Work of the Week

Elm Class

Freddie B

Great work during an odd and even investigation adding 2 to an odd number.



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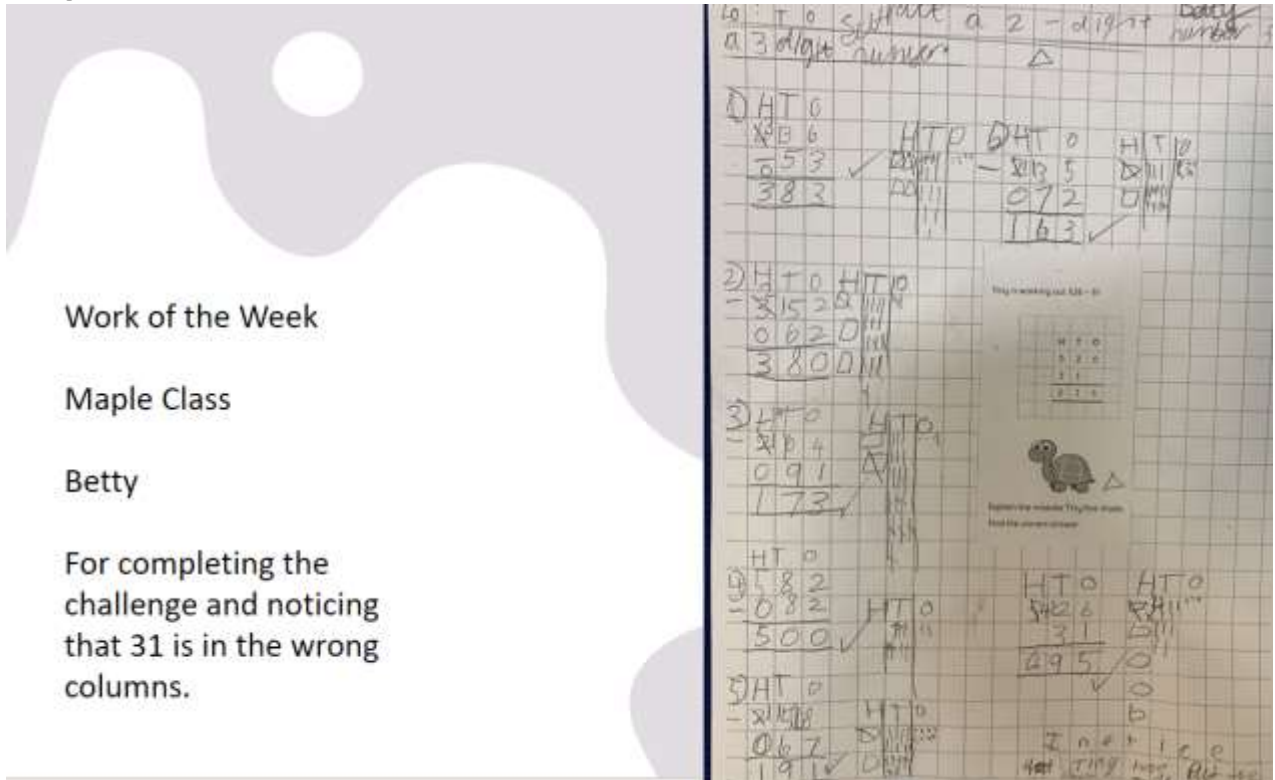
Maple

Work of the Week

Maple Class

Betty

For completing the challenge and noticing that 31 is in the wrong columns.



Work of the Week

Oak

Work of the Week

Oak Class

Claudia

Claudia has been taking such pride in her work which has been lovely to see. She will be creating a factfile on this Egyptian God.



Work of the Week

Sycamore


Work of the Week

Sycamore Class

Mattie

For great science work and fantastic presentation.

Thursday 23rd November 2023
How to identify and explain the effects of water resistance



We have found out that if you have better shape then it moves with resistance because the surface area is bigger.

We noticed the shapes that were more streamlined traveled through it through the water more quickly. This was because they were less resistant.

I noticed that the ping-pong ball was sinking through the water. I think the ball is the odd one out because it's not a mineral.

We were going to shape different ping-pong balls to see which reaches the bottom first.

We will make it a fair test by dropping them at the same time making sure there's the same height and dropping them at the same height.

Results

Shape	Drop 1	Drop 2
B	1st	2nd
A	3rd	3rd
D	2nd	1st

Work of the Week

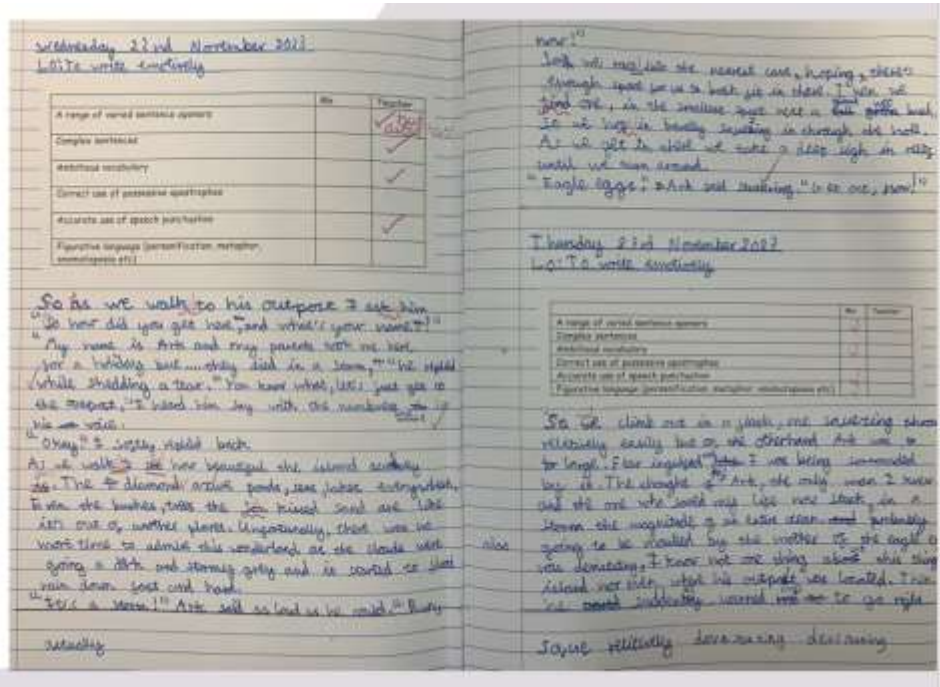
Willow W

Work of the Week

Willow W Class

Blake

Well done for really challenging yourself to use ambitious vocabulary and imagery.



Work of the Week

Willow B

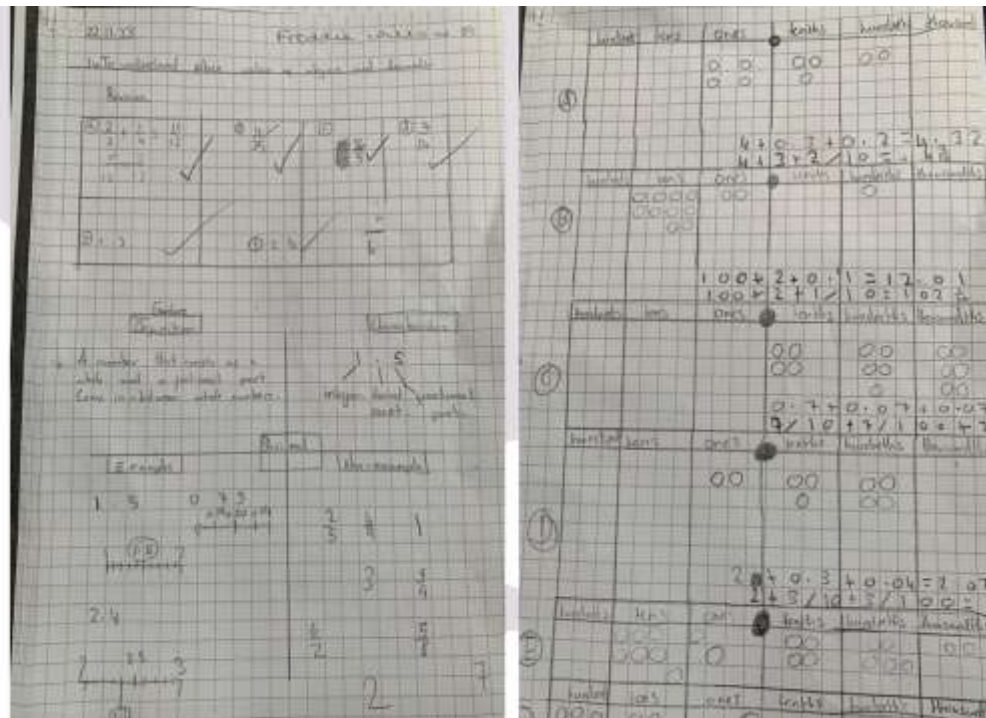


Work of the Week

Willow B

Freddie

Superb effort in mathematics with fractions and decimals work.



	Value Award	Super Skill Award	Work of the week
Ash	Service George for being a great example to those around him.	Aiming High Jack for independently investigating ways to compose and de-compose 5.	Blake for a detailed painting of an owl. Well done Blake! 😊
Chestnut	Wisdom Myla you can always be counted on to be making the right choices, being kind to others and finding ways to help. Thank you, Myla!	Aiming High Charlie.M you love a challenge! You set yourself the highest standard in all you do. Well done, Charlie!	Julia created some wonderful writing retelling the story of The Magical Toy Box. It was so nice to see you using your writers voice to engage your audience.
Elm	Endurance Reggie for completing all of his work this week and trying hard to present it neatly.	Being Inquisitive Teddy for asking some good questions during our reading lessons.	Freddie B for some great odd and even work.
Maple	Creation James – for creating an exciting, engaging and funny diary extract in English this week.	Enthusiasm Cole – showing good learning in all his lessons this week and taking pride in his work ethic.	
Oak	Creation Jake B for your enjoyment of creative tasks. You take such care and put in so much effort.	Aiming High James for being ambitious with his independent writing this week.	Claudia – for a fantastic start to your Egyptian goddess fact file. You have been taking such pride in your work, which is lovely to see.
Sycamore	Endurance – Poppy for not giving up when multiplying multiples of 10, 100 and 1000. 😊	Aiming high – Kay for aiming high with her maths and showing good concentration and focus.	Mattie – for super Science work. Clearly explained and super presentation.
Willow B	Endurance- Tyler For persevering in English this week and writing a really engaging story.	Aiming High- Aksanan for always working hard and for showing a great attitude to learning every day.	Blake- for working really hard on his story this week and for challenging himself to use ambitious vocabulary and create vivid images.
Willow W	Endurance- Effie, for persevering in maths this week.	Aiming high- Luke for aiming high with his vocabulary in English this week.	Freddie- For working exceptionally hard to complete decimal place value problems this week.



This week's lunchtime awards go to:

KS1 – Rowan in Ash class for showing appreciation by saying “thank you making us delicious lunches.”

KS2 – Effie in Willow for always demonstrating good manners.

Dates for the diary

Non-Pupil Days

Wednesday 20th December

Monday 3rd June

November 2023		
Wednesday 29 th November	9am	Yr 6 Assembly – parents/carers invited
December 2023		
Friday 1 st Dec	9am	Christmas Tree Dressing Assembly – parents/carers invited
Friday 1 st Dec	4-7pm	Christmas Bazaar
Monday 4 th & Tuesday 5 th Dec		Willow B Bike-ability
Tuesday 5 th Dec	2pm	Christmas Panto
Wednesday 6 th Dec		Willow W Bike-ability
Thursday 7 th Dec		Flu Vaccinations
Thursday 7 th Dec		Yr6 - WW1 Flight Simulator – bagged lunch
Monday 11 th Dec		Willow W Bike-ability
Tuesday 12 th Dec		KS1 Nativity to School
Wednesday 13 th Dec	9:30am	KS1 Nativity to Parents
Thursday 14 th Dec		Christmas Dinner
Thursday 14 th Dec		Christmas Jumper (or Christmas Accessory) Day
Friday 15 th Dec		Reports out to Parents
Wednesday 20 th Dec		INSET DAY
Thurs 21 st –Wed 3 rd Jan		CHRISTMAS BREAK
January 2024		
Thursday 4 th & Friday 5 th Jan		Take 1 Picture Project
Friday 12 th Jan	2:30pm	Take 1 Picture Exhibition – parents/carers invited
February 2024		
Mon 5 th – Fri 9 th Feb		Children’s Mental Health Week
Tuesday 6 th Feb	AM	Yr4 Superstars
Thursday 8 th Feb	9am	Year 2 Assembly
Tuesday 13 th Feb	TBC	Parents Evening
Thursday 15 th Feb	TBC	Parents Evening
Mon 19 th – Fri 23 rd Feb		HALF TERM
March 2024		
Wednesday 6 th March	11am-6pm	Yr5 Wicked Trip
Thursday 7 th March		World Book Day
Friday 17 th March		Comic Relief TBC
Wednesday 20 th March	9am	Year 4 Assembly
Tuesday 26 th March		Faith Day – Easter Faith Day
Wednesday 27 th March	2pm	Speech Festival
Wednesday 27 th March		Reports to Parents
Friday 29 th – Mon 1 st April		BANK HOLIDAY
April 2024		
Tuesday 2 nd – Fri 12 th April		HALF TERM
May 2024		

Wednesday 1 st May	9am	Reception Assembly
Monday 6 th May		BANK HOLIDAY
Mon 13 th May – Fri 31 st May		SATS Week
Friday 17 th May		Faith Day - Pentecost
Monday 20 th – Fri 25 th May		KS1 SATs Week
Wednesday 22 nd May	9am	Year 3 Assembly
Monday 27 th May		BANK HOLIDAY
Monday 26 th – Fri 31 st May		HALF TERM
June 2024		
Monday 3 rd June		INSET DAY
Tuesday 4 th – 14 th June		Time Table Screening
Wednesday 5 th June	AM	Yr2 Minigames
Thursday 6 th June	9am	'Sex & Relationship Education' Parent Meeting
Monday 10 th – Fri 14 th		Phonics Screening Week
Thursday 20 th June	9am	Year 1 Assembly
July 2023		
Wednesday 3 rd July	9:30am	Sports Day and family picnic
Tuesday 16 th July	9am	Macbeth Production Year 4
Thursday 18 th July	2pm & 6pm	Year 6 Production
Monday 22 nd July		Reports to Parents
Monday 22 nd July	TBC	End of Year Presentations
Tuesday 23 rd July	TBC	Leavers Assembly

Class Assemblies		
Wednesday 29 th November	9am	Year 6
Thursday 8 th Feb	9am	Year 2
TBC	9am	Year 4
Wednesday 22 nd May	9am	Year 3
Wednesday 1 st May	9am	Reception
Thursday 20 th June	9am	Year 1

Chelmsford Mildmay Rotary have kindly delivered some leaflets giving details of their Santa Sleigh visits in and around Chelmsford. If you are interested please collect a leaflet from the school office.

