



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

WEEKLY NEWS

Aspiring to inspire others towards excellence

Winter Term – Edition 13 – 8th December 2023



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Dear Parents,

As we approach the final full week of term, it has been another great week at Little Waltham. Last week, the Christmas Bazaar was a terrific success and enjoyed by so many. Thanks once more to our wonderful PTA and to everyone who supported this festive event.

This week we have continued to have some wonderful experiences.

On Tuesday afternoon, the school hall was filled with laughter and song as our pupils watched a school pantomime of Beauty and the Beast. It was an afternoon full of fun and enjoyed by all.

On Thursday there was an incredible opportunity for our Year 5 and 6 pupils. It was great to host the WW1 Aviation Heritage Trust for a special visit. Our pupils were immersed in the world of flight through a flight simulator and engaging virtual reality experiences, all intricately connected to the history of flight during World War 1. The day was a great experience and we would like to thank the Aviation Heritage Trust for spending the day with us.

As we approach the end of this term, we look forward to the events to come. Next week, we eagerly anticipate the Reception and Key Stage 1 Nativity performances. We also look forward to next week's Christmas school lunch—an occasion for our school community to come together and share in the festive spirit.

Thank you for your continued support,

Warm regards,

Mr S Saunders

Headteacher
Little Waltham Primary School

Our Christmas Bazaar

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas....

Our Christmas Bazaar was a roaring success with the school being filled with sounds of laughter and joy.

Our sincere thanks to all who helped shape the event; whether you gave a donation or were able to donate your time on the night-we are extremely grateful to all of you.

A special mention must go to our amazing PTA who went above and beyond to provide the children with such a memorable evening.

A phenomenal **£3,000** was raised during the





WW1 Aviation Heritage Trust

Flight Simulator – Yr5 & Yr6



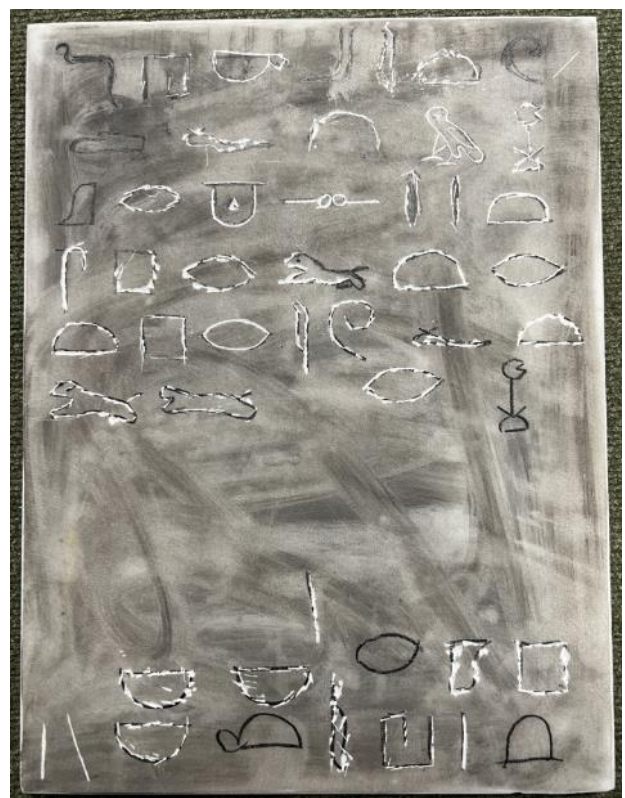
Stone Cutting

Oak Class

We were very lucky in Oak class this morning as we were given a demonstration of stone cutting into granite with a chisel and hammer. All of the children were able to have a try themselves and carve some hieroglyphs.

The children had a brilliant time and were very impressed by Jim's techniques. We just wonder how the Egyptians managed it?!

A huge thank you to Jim for taking the time to come in and work with the children.



Kicking Boxing Club

Awards



As part of our end of year celebration Abel received 'Student of the Year' and all of the children received a medal for excellent work.



Key Stage 1 Nativity

Tuesday 12th & Wednesday 13th December @9:30am

Next week there will be two Key Stage 1 Nativity performances, taking place **Tuesday 12th** and **Wednesday 13th** at **9:30am**.

For those who have ordered tickets, they will be sent home this evening in your child's book bag. Please ensure you keep your ticket safe as you will need to present your ticket to a staff member on arrival.

Raffle

At both performances we will be selling raffle tickets with a chance to win some fantastic prizes. Tickets will be £1 each, therefore please do remember your spare change.

KS2 parents will have the opportunity to also purchase tickets; they will be on sale at the **end of the day** via the school from **Wednesday 13th** up until **Friday 15th December**.

The winner will be announced on Monday 18th December.



Christmas Lunch/Christmas Jumpers & Accessories

Thursday 14th December

On Thursday 14th December we will be serving a traditional Christmas lunch, there is no need to pre-book however please be aware the lunch is priced at £2.75.

On Thursday 14th December we invite the children to wear Christmas jumpers and/or Christmas accessories.



Hot Chocolate Friday

Friday 8th December (today)

Please be advised the PTA will be selling hot chocolates after school today.

St Martin's Church

Christmas Eve Crib Service

Little Waltham invites you all to a crib service

st Martin's Church



Crib Service

On Christmas Eve at 4.00pm

Thank you

Chess in Schools and Communities



A big thank you to 'Chess in Schools and Communities' for kindly donating six brand new chess sets to the school.

An extremely kind and unexpected gesture.

The Big Question

'What can you do to spread peace?'

Chestnut

We can give courage to each other- *Lilly*
If someone is hurt we can always make sure that they are ok- *Harry*
We can all be calm- *Albert*
We can be kind to each other- *Annabelle*

Elm

Be kind to all your friends and family – *Emelia*
Be kind to others – *Lilly*
Treat others how you wish to be treated.
Be kind – *Madison*
Help others if they are lonely – *Angelica*
If my sister is sad, I help her – *Alice*

Oak

I can help charities – *Noah*
Encourage others to be kind and brave – *Daisy*
I can help others if they are hurt and make sure everyone has someone to play with – *Varish*
I will pick up litter that could harm animals

Sycamore

Class discussion
By helping others.
By helping solve problems and being a good person.
By treating others how I want to be treated.
By being kind to the world.

Willow B

Class discussion
Treat everyone with respect.
Be a peacemaker and help others.
Stand up for what you believe in.



This week's value is forgiveness.

Dear God,

Dear God, thank You for sending Jesus to die on the cross so that we can have our sins forgiven. Thank You for forgiving my sins. Please help me to forgive others as You forgive us.

Amen

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16



Work of the Week

Ash Class

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Gracie

Gracie for excellent cutting skills when constructing a Gingerbread man split-pin character.



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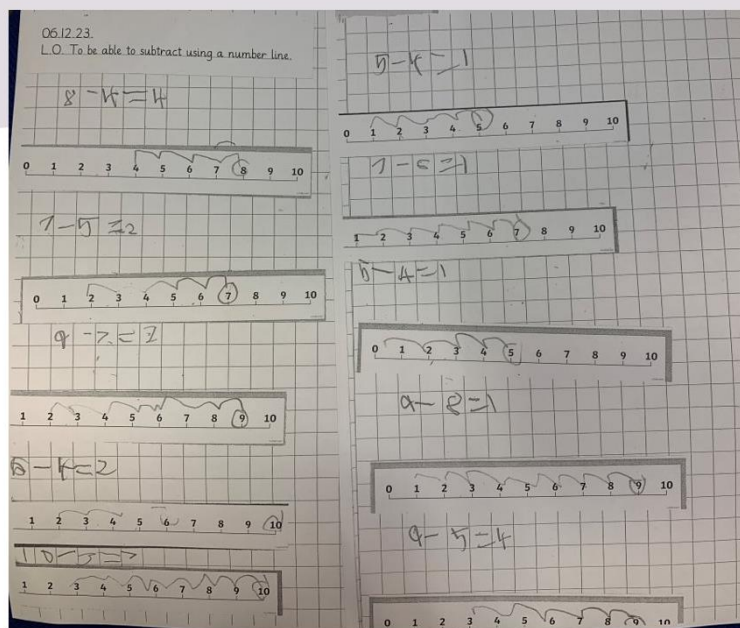
Chestnut Class

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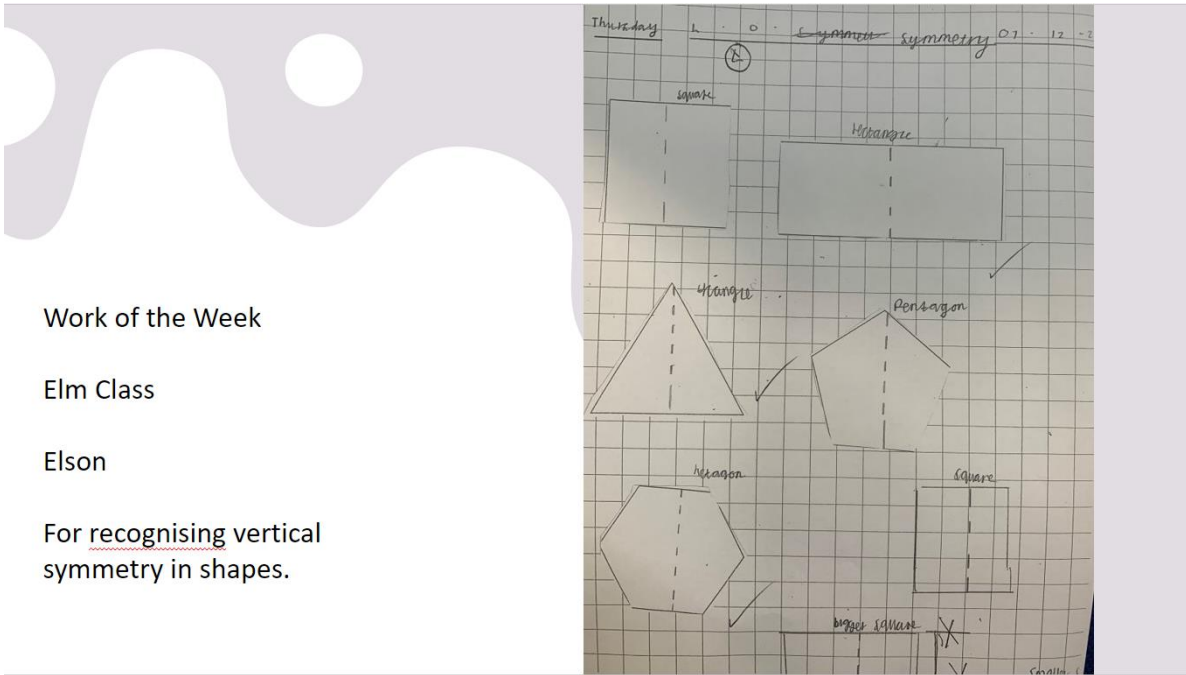
Albert

For working really hard when counting back on a number line. He has also put lots of effort into keeping one number per square.



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Elm Class



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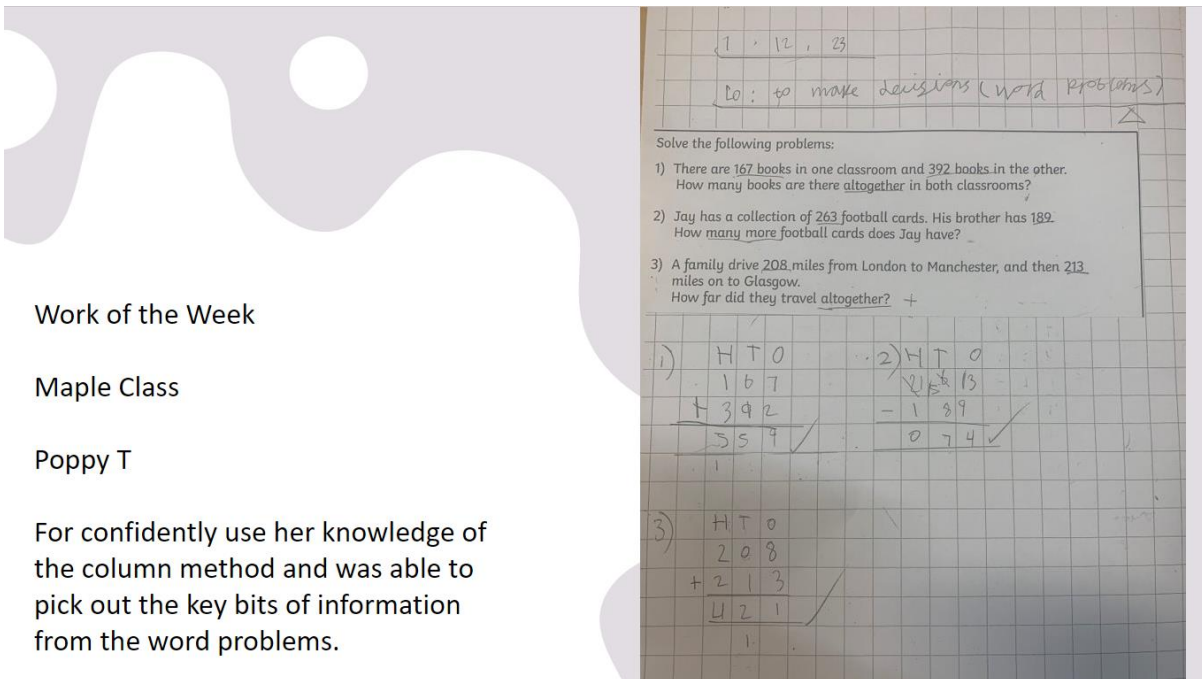
Elm Class

Elson

For recognising vertical symmetry in shapes.

Work of the Week

Maple Class



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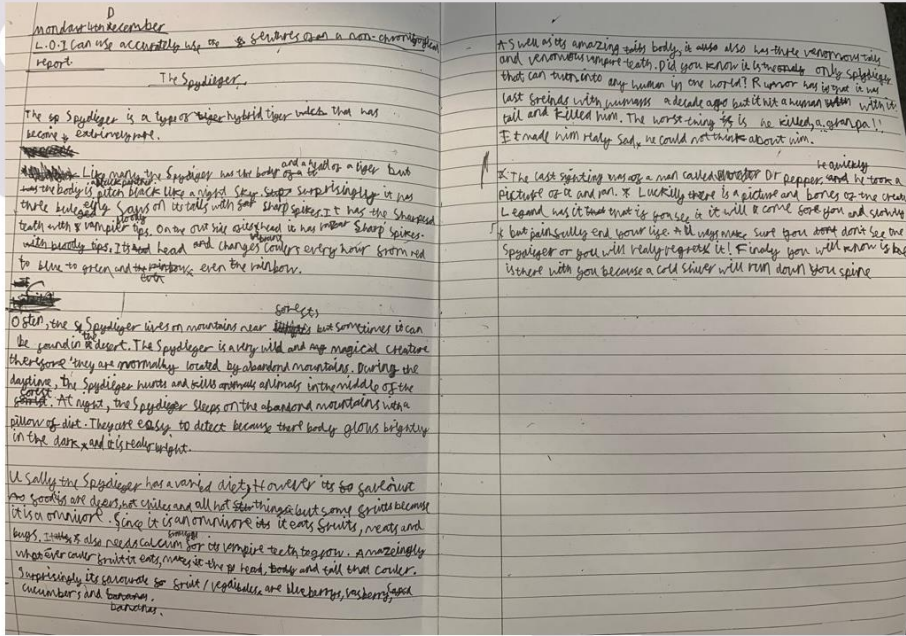
Maple Class

Poppy T

For confidently use her knowledge of the column method and was able to pick out the key bits of information from the word problems.

Work of the Week

Oak Class



The Spidiger is a type of tiger hybrid tiger which that has become a carnivorous.

Like many tigers, the Spidiger has a body and a yellow tiger head and the body is often black like a tiger. Spidiger surprisingly is not three legs. Spidiger has four legs with sharp spines. It has the sharpest teeth with 4 canine teeth. On its side instead it has sharp spines with black tips. It has a head and changes colour every hour from red to blue to green and the colour even the rainbows.

Often, the Spidiger lives on mountains near ~~cliffs~~ but sometimes it can be found in a desert. The Spidiger is a very wild and magical creature therefore they are normally treated by abnormal mountains. During the daytime, the Spidiger hunts and kills animals normally in the middle of the night. At night, the Spidiger sleeps on the abnormal mountains with a pillow of dirt. They are easy to detect because their body glows brightly in the dark and is really bright.

As Sally the Spidiger has a varied diet. However, it is so fierce that no people are afraid of it and all the things it eats are because it is a carnivore. Since it is an omnivore it eats fruits, meats, and bugs. It also needs calcium for its vampire teeth to grow. Amazingly when ever ever to eat, it uses its head, body and tail to eat. Surprisingly its favourite food is fruit/vegetables are like berries, raspberries, black currants and bananas.

As well as its amazing body, it also has three venomous tails and venomous sharp teeth. Did you know it is the only Spidiger that can turn into any human in the world? It was in the last Spidiger with humans a decade ago but it hit a human with its tail and killed him. The worst thing is he killed a girl! It made him really sad, he could not think about him.

The last Spidiger was a man called ~~brother~~ Dr Pepper and he took a picture of it and ran. Luckily there is a picture and bones of the creature. Legend has it that if you see it, it will kill you and destroy it but painlessly and your life will be more sure than you don't see the Spidiger or you will really regret it! Finally you will know who is the best with you because a cold shower will run down your spine.

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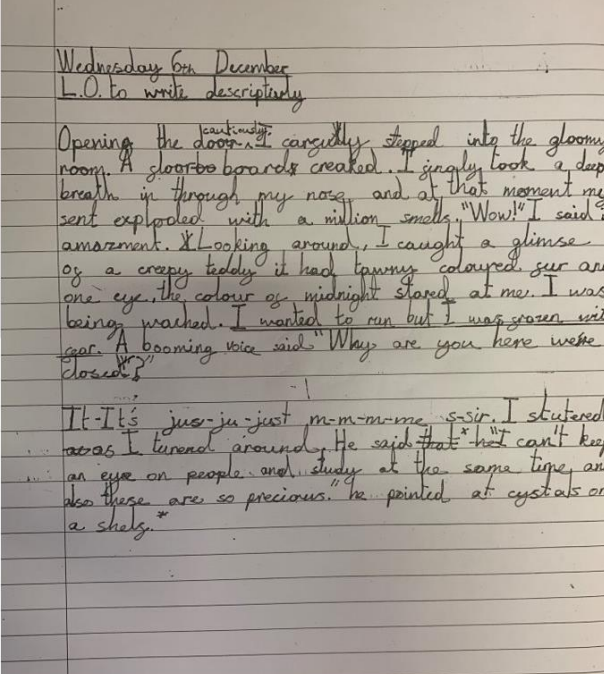
Oak Class

William

Using features and a range of interesting facts within his non-chronological report.

Work of the Week

Sycamore Class



Wednesday 6th December
L.O. to write descriptively

Opening the door, I cautiously stepped into the gloomy room. A floorboard creaked. I gingerly took a deep breath in through my nose and at that moment my sent exploded with a million smells. "Wow!" I said in amazement. Looking around, I caught a glimpse of a creepy teddy it had tawny coloured fur and one eye, the colour of midnight stared at me. I was being watched. I wanted to run but I was frozen with fear. A booming voice said "Why are you here wake closed."

It's just ju-just m-m-m-me s-sir, I stuttered as I turned around. He said that I can't keep an eye on people and study at the same time and also these are so precious. He pointed at crystals on a shelf.

Work of the Week

Sycamore Class

Izzy

Izzy is working hard on her descriptive writing.

Work of the Week

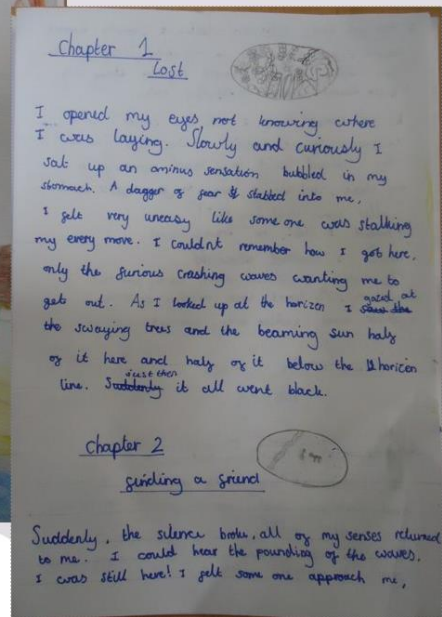
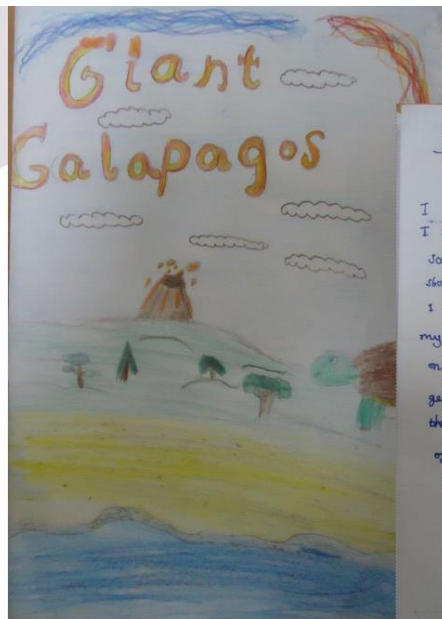
Willow W Class

Work of the Week

Willow W

Ava

Great writing on the Galapagos Islands.



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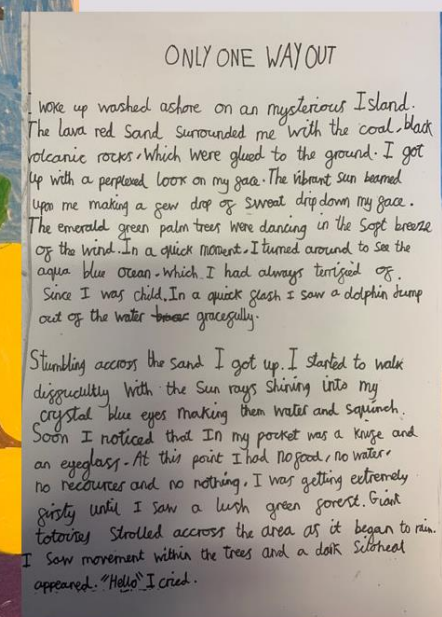
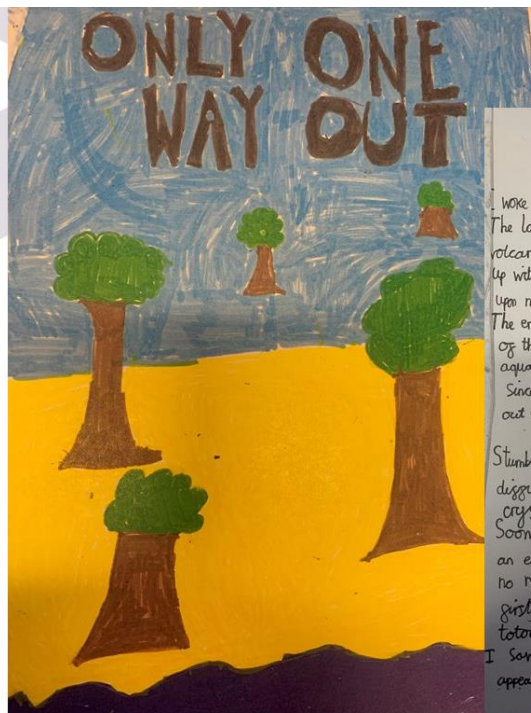
Willow B Class

Work of the Week

Willow B

Lewis

Excellent story on the Galapagos Islands.



	Value Award	Super Skill Award	Work of the week
Ash	Service <i>Jack</i> for independently practicing the letter 'K'. You didn't give up and kept on going - well done!	Risk Taker <i>Harry</i> for carefully following the instructions when building a vehicle using Brio construction.	Gracie for showing excellent cutting skills when making a Gingerbread man split-pin character. Super work Gracie!
Chestnut	Reverence <i>Noah</i> for a great attitude to all he does and being an excellent role model - well done Noah!	Being Enthusiastic <i>Eliza</i> for always bringing a great attitude to her learning. We love that you give everything your best effort. Well done, Eliza!	Albert for excellent maths skills. Albert tried so hard with counting back and working on the tricky task of keeping his numbers in the boxes. Great work Albert!
Elm	Reverence <i>Freya</i> for always being respectful and well-mannered in the classroom.	Being Enthusiastic <i>Lilly</i> for being such an enthusiastic learner this term.	Elson Wager for some excellent symmetry work in maths.
Maple	Koinonia - <i>Sanav</i> , settling in to our class really well. Participating in partner talk group work this week.	Keep on going – <i>Benjamin</i> , working hard to find key information of research in geography.	
Oak	Creation <i>Jake S</i> for some really creative ideas for his non-chronological report this week.	Being Inquisitive <i>Lewis</i> for asking lots of interesting questions during our topic lesson this week.	<i>William H</i> for trying really hard to make his non-chronological report creative, as well as including all of the required features and vocabulary.
Sycamore	Creation <i>George</i> for some great ideas in his descriptive writing, trying hard to create some suspense and tension.	Keep on going – <i>Kay</i> for having such a great attitude this week and keeping on going with all of her work 😊	<i>Izzy</i> for some super writing.
Willow W	Reverence- <i>Grace</i> For always doing the right thing and making thoughtful and kind choices.	Keep on Going- <i>Bradley</i> For showing a great attitude to many different situations this week.	<i>Ava Lane</i> for her exciting story set on the Galapagos Islands, plus she illustrated her work beautifully!
Willow B	Reverence- <i>Liam</i> for showing respect and making the right choices during our WW1 day.	Aiming high- <i>Libby</i> for working very hard to find percentages of amounts	<i>Lewis</i> for an excellent, illustrated story set in the Galapagos Island.



This week's lunchtime awards go to:

KS1 – Alyssa in Ash for lovely manners.

KS2 – Bradley in Willow for always being polite.

Dates for the diary

Non-Pupil Days

Wednesday 20th December

Monday 3rd June

December 2023		
Monday 11 th Dec		Willow W Bike-ability
Monday 11 th Dec		KS1 Nativity to School
Tuesday 12 th Dec	9:30am	KS1 Nativity to Parents
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