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# WEEKLY NEWS

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## Spring Term – Edition 11, 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024

Dear Parents,

Another week has flown by at Little Waltham Primary, and again it has been filled with some memorable moments for our pupils.

On Wednesday, we had the pleasure of hosting an exceptional author, Mitch Johnson, for a captivating session promoting his latest book, Toxic. Mitch's workshop delved into the inspiration behind his writing, touching on critical issues such as climate change and deforestation. The children were thoroughly engaged, asking insightful questions and gaining valuable insights into making a positive difference to our planet. Many pupils took the opportunity to purchase signed copies of Toxic and have enjoyed reading their new books in school over the past couple of days.

Wednesday afternoon brought more excitement as Little Waltham Primary faced Great Leighs Primary in the first game of the Chelmsford school football league. Our school B team, with several players making their first appearance for the school, displayed remarkable resilience to secure a 1-0 victory, with special congratulations to George in Year 5 for scoring the winning goal. The first team followed suit with a thrilling 2-1 win, courtesy of goals from Theo and Bertie. It was superb to see the boys play superbly well as a team with perseverance and fantastic attitudes.

Looking ahead to the final week of this term, many pupils are looking forward to sharing their speech at the Little Waltham Speech Festival. It has been great to listen to some of the children's speeches already and without doubt, the pupils have put in an amazing amount of effort and dedication during this half term to prepare some wonderful speeches.

Next week we also will have our Easter faith day on Tuesday and the subsequent Easter service at the church next Wednesday providing meaningful opportunities for reflection and celebration as we approach the holiday weekend.

Wishing you all a delightful weekend ahead!

Mr S Saunders Headteacher

## Little Waltham Primary School Football Team's





## **Easter Service**

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March

On Wednesday 27th March we will be having our Easter Services at St. Martin's Church Little Waltham.

Key Stage 2 will be at 9.30am

Key Stage 1 will be at 10.30am.

Parents and carers are welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing there.



## Time Tables Workshop

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April

On Wednesday **17th April 9am** we will be holding a times tables workshop for parents with children in Years 2, 3 and 4.

Secure knowledge in times tables is needed to access almost all areas of mathematics at KS2 and KS3 and therefore it is important that we ensure all pupils finish year 4 knowing their timetables up to 12 x 12.

Please come along to find out how we teach times tables and how you can support your child at home. **If you would like to come please contact the school office.** We look forward to seeing you there!

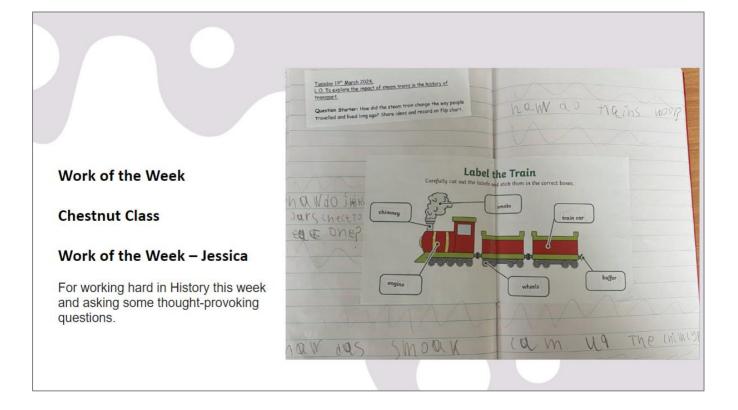
Mrs Baker

Ash Class



## Work of the Week

**Chestnut Class** 



Elm Class

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## Work of the Week

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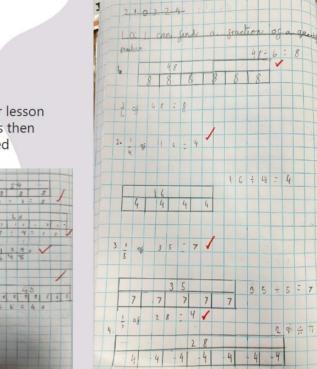
**Oak Class** 

#### Work of the Week

Oak Class

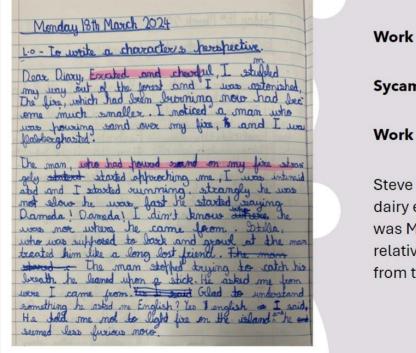
#### Work of the Week - Rosetta

Rosetta used the bar model method well in our lesson on finding a unit fraction of a quantity. She was then able to apply the method well to further worded problems effectively.



## Work of the Week

**Sycamore Class** 



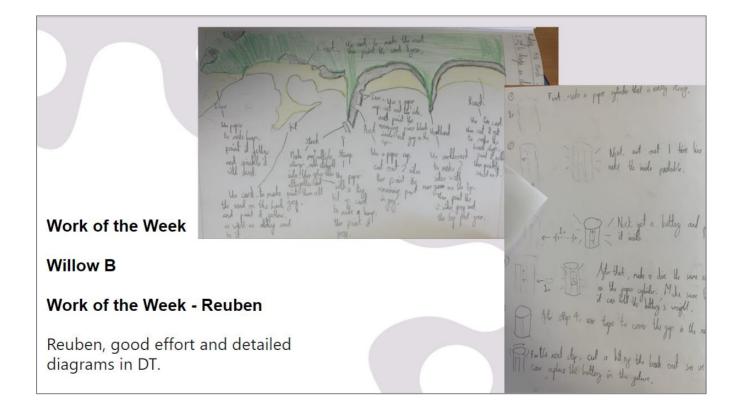
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Willow W Class



## Work of the Week

Willow **B** 



|          | Value Award   | Super Skill Award   | Work of the week   |
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| Ash      | Willis for being extra  | Freddie for being adaptable and solving a problem when  | Gracie<br>For using her sounds well when<br>writing a sentence about jack and<br>the Beanstalk.  |
| Chestnut | <i>Robin</i> for making some<br>excellent decisions and<br>sharing some lovely<br>thoughts about justice and  | Aiming High<br>Noah for always giving a<br>hundred percent effort in all<br>he does, being a wonderful<br>role model and being an all-<br>round pleasure to teach.  | Jessica<br>For working hard in History this<br>week and asking some thought-<br>provoking questions.   |
| Elm      | Abel for showing good<br>manners and being ready  | <b>Aiming High</b><br>Frankie for working hard in<br>her reading and phonics<br>sessions.   | Logan for some excellent<br>fractions work – finding part of a<br>quantity.  |
| Maple    | <i>Benjamin</i> , as he always has<br>the biggest smile on his face<br>and brings such a happy and<br>positive presence to the<br>class. He always gives<br>everything 100% effort and<br>goes out of his way to be | Enthusiastic<br>Sasha, for being so motivated<br>and excited about standing in<br>front of the class yesterday to<br>give his speech. Even though<br>he was a little nervous and<br>wasn't too sure on what he<br>wanted to say, he did such an<br>amazing job! | Lottie was having some good<br>debates over what different parts<br>of the plants were called and was<br>able to think of some questions<br>she would like to find out about |
| Oak      | Endurance<br>Emily for showing<br>perseverance with fractions   | Thalis for pushing yourself to<br>extend your answers and<br>explanations to a higher level   | <b>Rosetta</b> for successfully using the<br>bar model method for finding<br>fractions of a quantity and then<br>applying it to worded problems<br>effectively.              |
| Sycamore | <b>Reverence</b><br>Joe for always being a polite<br>and respectful member of<br>the class.   |   | <b>Steve</b> for a great diary entry<br>writing from a character's<br>perspective.   |
| Willow W | Aras- for being a wonderful<br>and enthusiastic new<br>member of our class.   | Aiming High<br>Josh- for always working<br>hard, staying engaged in<br>lessons and trying his best.   | Dolly- for showing great resilience<br>in maths. She drew a neat,<br>accurate line graph from given<br>data.   |
| Willow B | Tony for a good and<br>positive attitude this week<br>and for making wise   | Aim High<br>All of Willow B – everyone<br>has aimed high and been<br>resilient during<br>assessments.   | Reuben, for detailed and well-<br>presented diagrams in DT.  |



Lunchtime Awards

KS1 – Jack W in Ash for using lovely manners.

KS2 – Joseph M in Willow for being extremely helpful and polite.

## The Big Question

What symbol would you use to remember Jesus?

#### Chestnut

A cross to remember when Jesus died on the cross- Hugo Open hands to show that Jesus cares for us and is there for us –Annabelle A triangle to remember that God and Jesus are always there for us- Charlie M Bread and wine goblet to represent Jesus' body and blood- Robin A candle because Jesus is the light of the world- Myla Hands together praying to know that Jesus listens to us when we talk to him-Luca

#### Elm

Sun because Jesus was the light of the world - Seren and Teddy Cross because Jesus died on the cross – Ralph Talking, because Jesus spread the word of God – Freddie Booth Palm leaves – Ivy Purple – Jesus wore purple clothes like royalty - Abel Animals because they represent new life and resurrection - Emelia





#### 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

## Dates for the diary

## Non-Pupil Days Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

| March 2024  |         |  |
|---|---------|--|
| Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March                      |         | Faith Day – Easter Faith Day   |
| Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March                    |         | Easter Service St Martin's Church Little Waltham<br>KS2@9:30 & KS1@10:30 |
| Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March                    | 2pm     | Speech Festival  |
| Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March                    |         | Reports to Parents   |
| Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> – Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> April |         | BANK HOLIDAY   |
| April 2024  |         |  |
| Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Fri 12th April            |         | HALF TERM  |
| Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April                    | 9am     | Times Table Workshop – Yrs. 2,3 &4                                       |
| Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> April                       |         | KS1 Author visit 'The Girl and the Mermaid'                              |
| May 2024  |         |  |
| Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> May                       | 9am     | Reception Assembly   |
| Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May                          |         | BANK HOLIDAY   |
| Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> May – Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> May |         | SATS Week  |
| Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May                         |         | Faith Day - Pentecost  |
| Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> May  |         | KS1 SATs Week  |
| Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May                      | 9am     | Year 3 Assembly  |
| Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> May                         |         | BANK HOLIDAY   |
| Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> May  |         | HALF TERM  |
| June 2024   |         |  |
| Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June                         |         | INSET DAY  |
| Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup> June     |         | Time Table Screening   |
| Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 14 <sup>th</sup>      |         | Phonics Screening Week   |
| Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June                      | AM      | Yr2 Minigames  |
| Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June                      | All Day | Ash Class – Wilderness Trip  |
| Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> June                       | 9am     | 'Sex & Relationship Education' Parent Meeting                            |
| Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> June                         | All Day | Chestnut Class - Wilderness Trip   |
| Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> June                      | All Day | Maple Class – Wilderness Trip  |
| Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June                     | All Day | Oak Class – Wilderness Trip  |
| Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June                      | 9am     | Year 1 Assembly  |
| Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June                        | All Day | Sycamore Class - Wilderness Trip   |
| Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup> June     |         | Yr. 6 Residential  |
| Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June                        | 9am     | Beaulieu Yr6 Induction Day   |
| July 2023   |         |  |
| Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July                      | 9:30am  | Sports Day and family picnic   |
| Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July                         |         | KS2 Author visit 'Kyan Green'  |
| Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> July                       |         | Summer Fete  |
| Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July                     | All Day | Willow Class – Wilderness Trip   |

| Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July  | 9am       | Macbeth Production Year 4 |
|--------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------|
| Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July | 2pm & 6pm | Year 6 Production         |
| Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July   |           | PTA Inflatables           |
| Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July   |           | Reports to Parents        |
| Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July   | ТВС       | End of Year Presentations |
| Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July  | ТВС       | Leavers Assembly          |

| Class Assemblies                    |     |           |
|-------------------------------------|-----|-----------|
| Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> November | 9am | Year 6    |
| Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb        | 9am | Year 2    |
| Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March      | 9am | Year 4    |
| Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May      | 9am | Year 3    |
| Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> May       | 9am | Reception |
| Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June      | 9am | Year 1    |