

## Praise and Thank You!

<b>Sycamore</b>	The adults in year 6 would like to praise Triston, Mae, Daniel and Lucy S for their shape poems this week. They would also like to praise Alex, Freya and Chelsey for their team working skills in PE. Finally, a massive well done to everyone that went to the cross country competition on Wednesday—you did the school proud! <b>Writer of the Week: Skye for an amazing shape poem in the shape of a rollercoaster</b> <b>Maths Master: Daniel for his work with converting measures</b>
<b>Birch</b>	The teachers in Birch Class would like to praise Exclamation Marks for writing some great Haiku poems this week. <b>Writer of the Week: Evie for writing beautiful Haiku poems</b> <b>Maths Master: Alfie B for measuring angles accurately</b>
<b>Ash</b>	The teachers in Ash Class would like to praise the whole class for their superb effort during our class assembly. <b>Writer of the Week: Artur for his excellent plan for a narrative</b> <b>Maths Master: Dominic for successfully multiply and dividing by multiples of 10</b>
<b>Beech</b>	Miss Searle, Mrs Terry and Miss Harrison would like to praise Da Vinci table for their fantastic ideas when generating rhyming words. <b>Writer of the Week: Lilia for her fantastic ideas when writing a poem about Bonnie and Clyde</b> <b>Maths Master: Lewis for applying his knowledge of multiplication to solve tricky sums in arithmetic</b>
<b>Maple</b>	Mrs Bond, Mrs Woolley and Mrs Watson would like to praise Tommy, Evie, Harry, Emily, Daniel and Erikas for independently using their phonics skills to write descriptive sentences. They would also like to praise Aronas and Corey for always doing the right thing. <b>Writer of the Week: Leia for the amazing vocabulary choices she made when writing her 'Spooky Story'</b> <b>Maths Master: Emily for independently matching everyday 3D shapes to their correct mathematical name</b>
<b>Willow</b>	Mrs Smith and Mrs Fletcher would like to praise and thank Aksel, Oliver D, Jacob, Toby and Orla for their efforts in phonics this week. <b>Writer of the Week: Christian for his instructions on how to be a superhero</b> <b>Maths Master: Emily for fantastic work in completing number bonds to 10 on a beanstalk</b>
<b>Oak</b>	The adults in Oak class would like to say well done to Shaun and Siddie for trying hard to use Makaton signs when talking to the adults. <b>Writer of the Week: Sofia for trying hard to write neat letter shapes</b> <b>Maths Master: William for his confident work with 2D shape this week</b>
<b>Cherry</b>	The adults in Cherry class would like to praise and thank Lauren, Lucy, Charlie, Kylan and Sianna for being super Helpadons this week—not only helping during tidy up time but for also helping their friends when needed. <b>Writer of the Week: Harley for remembering how many claps his name has after our work on syllables in phonics</b> <b>Maths Master: Lilley for exploring different weights and finding out how many more conkers were needed to weight the same as a shell</b>

### Coming up:

Wednesday 10th October

Football vs Regis Manor (in school time)

Film night

Speed stacking competition for year 3/4 team at Oasis Academy

Thursday 11th October

KS1 Multi-skills team to Greenfields

Friday 12th October

Year 5&6 trip to Chessington

Monday 15th October

Tribal event

Staff vs Kids sports match (tbc)

2pm Year 1 Express event

Tuesday 16th October

9.15am Nursery express event

2pm Year 3/4 Express event

Wednesday 17th October

2.15pm Year 5/6 Express event

Thursday 18th October

Year 3 class assembly

9.30am Year 2 Express Event

2pm Reception Express Event

Friday 19th October

Spelling bee competition (am)

Accelerated Reader—Children in years 2-6 have access to Accelerated Reader—an online quizzing programme that children use every time they finish a book. AR provides children with comprehension questions on what they have read. Children can only take the tests in school but you can track their progress through 'Home Connect'. You should have received a letter last week with your child's account log in. If you need any further information, please just ask your child's class teacher.

TT Rockstars—If you require your child's log on for TT Rockstars again, please just ask your child's class teacher. Children can access TT Rockstars at any time and can work on specific times tables or take part in competitions.

#### A few requests....

##### Parking outside school

Please could we ask everyone to consider local residents when dropping off / picking up from school. Please avoid parking on grass verges. The school's drop off zone is a one way system so please, wherever possible, avoid driving down Coldharbour Lane towards the school. Thank you.

##### Dogs on site

Please could we ask that dogs are not carried on to the school site. Many children are worried about unknown dogs. We absolutely appreciate that Billy is on site but he has his own public liability insurance alongside various other regulations to ensure that he is safe to be on the school site. Thank you.

#### TT Rockstars!

Well done to Sycamore class—again—for having the highest accuracy rate in the school.

Congratulations and well done to Aronas for having the largest improvement in rock speed over the last week.



#### Attendance

Overall attendance has dropped this week to 96.5% -let's try and get this figure back up next week.

A huge well done to Years 6 and 2 for their 99.7% attendance last week—enjoy sharing Reggie!

MESSAGES

# News from around the school

**Nursery:** The children have really enjoyed 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'; we have made porridge to see how the oats change when we mix them.

We have also painted three bears for our hall display and we have learnt a new song about Goldilocks!

This coming week we will be reading 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. In PE we will be playing the magic bean game, we will also be helping Jack find the missing items from his story and comparing different lengths.

\*Just a gentle reminder to return the trip permission slip as soon as possible please.

\*Also, our Express Event is Tuesday 16th October at 9.15am. Please check Tapestry for further details.

**Star of the Week: Sonny for showing a lovely caring nature towards his new friends.**

**Year 1:** It has been a busy week in Willow Class this week! In Literacy we have been planning and writing instructions on how to be a superhero—we have investigated what we would need and what you would need to do using bossy verbs.

In Maths we have been learning our number bonds to 10 and 20 and applying them in addition and subtraction calculations.

In Science the children explored their senses. They completed activities in groups to see if they could manage with one sense or if they needed another sense to help them. For example, just by looking at a jam tart or a packet of noodles can you tell what they would feel or taste like? Also, how easy is it to put objects in order of size when you are blindfolded and can you tell what something is by just smelling it if you are unable to see or touch it?

The children had great fun exploring these activities!

If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to Mrs Fletcher or myself.

**Star of the week: Holly for being resilient and positive in all areas of her learning**

**Year 3:** This week in Beech class the children will be writing their own narrative about a superhero. The children will begin the week by applying their knowledge of powerful vocabulary to describe a setting; they will also be writing a character description and securing their knowledge of inverted commas.

In maths the children will be collecting and analysing data and then presenting their data through bar graphs and pictograms.

PE—Year 3 have PE on Monday and Wednesday therefore please ensure your child has their kit in school.

Year 3 would also like to take this time to remind you that on Thursday 11th October at 9am we have our class assembly. We would love you to come along and hear about all of the amazing activities we have been participating in throughout the term.

**Star of the Week: Marina for uplevelling an adjective when working a group**

**Year 5:** This week in Maths the children will be measuring their height and working out which rides they can and cannot go on at Chessington. They will also be working out the cost to create their own theme parks.

In literacy this week, the children will be using persuasive language to create radio adverts to persuade people to visit Chessington.

On Wednesday the children can take part in the trials for the Spelling Bee. If your child wants to enter the competition, make sure they have been practising the Spelling Bee words at home.

As we are going to Chessington on Friday, can you please make sure your child has enough food and drinks to last them for the whole day and that it is in a carrier bag so they can dispose of it once they have eaten.

**Star of the week: Lauren for always working hard, being sensible and putting 100% effort into everything she does**

**Reception:** This week in Oak Class we will be basing our learning around the story of 'Jack and the Beanstalk.' We will be talking about the structure of stories, thinking about the characters and the setting. We will be exploring the concept of growth and change through the use of the woodland area and by exploring planting. Our creative learning will be developed through the use of still life drawing and painting.

In maths we will be continuing our understanding of number through counting and finding one more than a given number.

Our first attempt last week at getting changed into our PE kits was very successful and we were very impressed with how hard the children tried with their clothing... some things were a little back to front but great efforts were made, well done Oak Class! If your child doesn't yet have a PE kit in school please can we ask you to send one in as soon as possible to allow them to join in fully with their PE sessions, thank you.

**Star of the Week: Poppy W for being brave when faced with new experiences**

**Year 2:** This week in maths we will be looking at measure. We will be learning how to measure the length of an item using a ruler. We will then practice our measuring skills by drawing lines of a given length. This week the children will also be impressing us with their new skills, taught in term 1, when they complete their end of term arithmetic and reasoning tests.

In literacy this week we will be looking at a traditional tale. We will be focusing on the key features of a narrative in order to help us write our own story at the end of the week.

Please can I remind you that the children will all be taking part in Maple Class' Spelling Bee heat on Friday morning. If you need another copy of the Spelling Bee words, please do not hesitate in coming to see me.

Thank you again to all those parents who have been sending in old newspapers. Our DT is on Monday 15th October so please keep them coming.

**Star of the week: Evie for coming into school this week with a big smile on her face and a readiness to learn!**

**Year 4:** This week in Literacy we will be reading a short extract from Macbeth. We will then be writing our own poems focusing on the three witches. In Maths we will be continuing to develop our knowledge of measures, converting height, weight and capacity. Then, in our topic lessons we will be creating our own rhythmic patterns.

Our class heat for the school's spelling bee competition will take place this week.

PE is on a Monday and a Thursday; however, please can PE kits be in school every day.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

**Star of the Week: Elena for her fantastic contribution and effort in all subject this week.**

**Year 6:** In the penultimate week of Term 1 we are going to Chessington! The trip is on Friday and the children will need to be at school earlier than usual; we will be leaving at 8am, so we are asking that the children arrive at 7.45am.

Before that, we will be writing and performing a radio transcript; our focus will be persuading people to go to Chessington. So, the class will be researching the theme park, then planning their own transcript and performing it to the rest of the class. We will also be sitting some practise SATs papers all week. The results of these will inform the planning for next term. The tests will also be sat in the hall under the same rules that would be in place on the day of the real thing.

PE will be on Tuesday and Thursday—please make sure that your child has a kit in school. It is getting slightly colder so it may be time to pack some tracksuit bottoms and a jumper.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

**Star: Connie for her collection of poems this week**