

St. Mary's (Endowed) Church of England  
VA Primary School



Friday 15th March

Dear Parents and Carers,

What an amazing and busy week in school. Oak had a wonderful trip to London and experienced so many new and exciting things. It was fantastic that the whole class went and were able to share in this together. I'm sure they will remember it for years to come. Thank you so much to Mrs Morison, Mrs Westhead and Miss Lewis for accompanying the children and making sure that everyone returned safe and sound. I hope they have some time to rest and relax this weekend.

On Thursday it was another proud Headteacher moment as I was able to attend the Norfolk County Music Festival and watch the whole school perform two beautiful songs. It always amazes me that Mrs Morison is able to get the whole school up and singing to such a high standard. The adjudicator gave some very good feedback. Everyone should feel very proud of their achievements and thanks again to Mrs Morison and all the staff for organising the trip and supporting the children.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs L. Watts - Executive Headteacher

**This week in class...**

**Ash Class** - This week in Ash Class, we have been reading, 'Giraffes can't Dance'. We found out about different types of dance such as the Tango, Waltz and ChaCha and even had a go at some ourselves. We also listened to music and did lots of freestyle dancing! The book has given us lots of opportunity to talk about feelings, specifically how we might feel if we don't think we are good at something and about how we can find the confidence to try our best at things, even when we are not feeling confident. We made some dancing Giraffes and some textured wax rubbings to create a jungle scene. We have been enjoying the sunshine and have been riding the trikes and playing shops outside. In Jigsaw, we have been learning about healthy and unhealthy foods and exercise and have learned lots of fun, active games.

**Elm Class** - This week Elm Class have been writing stories, and have been using adjectives to add more detail to our work. In History we compared the lives of Mary Anning and David Attenborough, and thought about the similarities and differences between them. We also enjoyed our trip to Norwich for the singing festival.

**Willow Class** - In Willow Class this week we have been learning about plants. We were learning what characteristics living things have and how this relates to plants. We also looked at plants living in the rainforest and desert and found out about how they are adapted to survive. Hopefully as the weather gets warmer we will be able to tidy the planters in the woodland learning area and grow some of our own plants.

**Beech Class** - In Beech Class this week we have continued our programming work using Scratch with Mr Bishop. We are learning how to add sound to different sprites. In science we have been thinking about what plants need to survive and the adaptations that plants have made to survive in different climates, comparing rainforest plants and plants from the desert.

**Oak Class** - In Oak Class this week! Wow, what a week we have had. It has been absolutely packed with new experiences including watching a musical in the West End; going for a ride on the London Eye; seeing real mummies and sarcophagus at the British Museum to name a few. We have also performed two songs at the Norfolk Music Festival. The adjudicators (judges) said we had, 'beautiful sounds and lovely clear words'. It was a great experience.

Day	Clubs	Leader
Monday	Lego & Crafts	Sam Rose
Tuesday	Creativity club	Active Education
Wednesday	Netball	Sarah Lynes and Bethany Lewis
Thursday	Creativity club	Active Education
Friday	Dodgeball Stay & Play	Active Education (Childcare only)

### Clubs

The clubs for next half-term will be confirmed soon and the link for the booking form will then be sent out. Please make sure any outstanding invoices are paid as soon as possible.

### PE & Woodland Learning

**Tuesday** - PE for Ash and Elm

**Wednesday (until Easter holidays)** Woodland Learning for Y4, Y6 and Willow

**Thursday** - PE for Willow

**Friday** - PE for Elm, Beech and Oak

### Jigsaw awards this week go to...

Benjamin K, Rae, Seb S, Felix, Logan-Lee, George R, Charlie G, Charlie R, George C, Noah, Cawlie, Harry, Teddy

### Smarties awards this week go to...

Olivia L, Dylan, Charlie R, Lilly, Angelique, Freya

**WELL DONE!**







### Dates for your Diary

**Monday 18th March** - Red Nose Day non-uniform, £1 (due to the festival and PE the week before)

**Friday 22nd March** - Playground proms performance, Norfolk Music Hub

**Friday 22nd March** - Friends' Disco

**Monday 25th March** - Easter hunt and bonnet parade @ 2.45pm

**Tuesday 26th March** - Easter lunch

**Wednesday 27th March** - Easter service @ 2pm, End of term

**Monday 15th April** - Back to school