

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



Friday 24th May

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a very successful week for the children in Year 4 and Oak class as they triumphed in not one, but two cricket tournaments! They played very well and showed good sportsmanship on both days. Next half-term will be very busy with lots more opportunities for the children to enjoy with trips, visits, sporting competitions and sports day. There is lots to look forward to.

We hope you have a lovely holiday, with some sunshine, and return refreshed for the last half-term of the school year. We will see you all on Monday 3rd June.

Have a lovely break,

*L. Watts*

Mrs L. Watts - Executive Headteacher

**This week in class...**

**Ash Class** - This week in Ash Class we have been reading, 'I am almost always kind'. With our story we have explored themes of kindness, friendship and sibling relationships. We have also found inspiration for our own play in the story. We have built sandcastles together, painted pictures, hunted for snails and insects and made dens. In maths we have continued to explore 2-D shapes, manipulating them to make different shapes and pictures. We named as many animals as we could in our discussion on Noah's Ark and played an animal matching game as well as drawing pictures of our favourite animals. In woodland learning we had a fire and talked about fire safety before toasting marshmallows!

**Beech Class** - In Beech Class this week we have been writing poetry about our fears. There was a range of topics like spiders, wasps and visiting the dentist. In history we have been learning about Boudicca. We all agreed that she was really brave and the Romans treated her very badly.

**Oak Class** - Oak Class have been examining poetry in writing this week. We focussed on a poem about how war affects the lives of children. It was really powerful and we responded with our own poem about challenges that occur in our lives and how we face them. We produced some amazing poetry! Several of the Oak Class children performed brilliantly on the cricket 'pitch' and brought home the trophy from Wednesday's tournament. Thursday's tournament at Beeston also won the children another trophy. Great teamwork and attitude won the day!

**Special mentions to our cricket teams...**

**Wednesday:** Benjamin K, Ruby, Rae, Lilly, Gabriele, Noah, George R, Cawlie, Seb, Halle, Jack, Olivia L, Jensen, Charlie A Felix and Dylan

**Thursday:** Bailey, Benjamin K, Ruby, Rae, George R, Seb, Halle, Jack, Olivia L and Felix

**Well done!**

Day	Clubs	Leader
Monday	Lego	Sam Rose and Emily Lond-Caulk
Tuesday	Creativity and Team Games	Active Education
Wednesday	Netball	Sarah Lynes and Bethany Lewis
Thursday	Stay & play	TBC
Friday	Softball	Active Education

#### Attendance this week

**Ash** - 96.67%

**Elm** - 90.95%

**Beech & Willow** - 97.7%

**Oak** - 99.57%

**Whole School** - 95.79%

**Friends of Roughton School** On the 6th of July the friends are holding their annual fete from 1 - 4pm. They would really appreciate any donations for the raffle, tombola or the wine or water stall would be gratefully received.

#### PE & Woodland Learning

**Monday** - Swimming for Oak class

**Tuesday** - PE for Ash and Beech

**Wednesday** Woodland Learning for Ash, Elm and Willow

**Thursday** - PE for Willow

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

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

Joshua, Tabby, Isabella, Willow Pr,

Charlie R

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

Charlie F, Elvie, Dylan, Rae, Noah, Jensen

#### Gold awards this week go to...

Noah, Charlie A, Skye, Halle, Willow Po,

Benjamin K, Sebastian S, Tabby



## War is over ...

by Dylan

In the ashes of dawn, where shadows stand tall,  
echoes of battles where many did fall.

A land cracked asunder.

Hearts heave with grief.

Yet whispers of courage,  
bring us belief.

Through the maze of the fight,

a glimmer does shine.

A promise of peace.

A future – Mine!

Rise from the embers of pain.

Hope like a Phoenix, born from the flame.

Together we stand, our spirits aligned.

In the midst of the war,

a new dawn we'll find.

Fields of sorrow, where memories lie still.

Heroes of valour, with unbroken will.

The storm may be fierce.

The path steep and long.

But the heart of the weary,

beat steady and strong.

With the cry of the lost and the brave and the true,  
a chorus of freedom,  
we're marching anew.

Rise from the embers of pain.

Hope like a Phoenix, born from the flame.

Together we stand, our spirits aligned.

In the midst of the war,

a new dawn we'll find.

From the rumble and ruin,

a fresh hope takes flight.

A testament to those,

who fought through the night.

We forge a new future,

with hearts intertwined.

For even in war,

An amazing poem by Dylan  
- well done!

### Dates for your Diary

**Monday 3rd June** - Back to school

**Wednesday 12th June** - Y6 Bake Sale to fund raise for their end of year trip

**26th - 28th June** - Aylsham High and Cromer Academy induction days for Y6

**Tuesday 2nd July** - Y6 trip to the cathedral

**Friday 5th July** - Sports Day

**Saturday 6th July** - Friends' Fete, 1 - 4pm

**Friday 12th July** - Friends disco

**Friday 19th July** - End of term