



St Mary's
Church of England
Primary Academy

Encourage, Aspire, Flourish

Friday 8th November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to another new term in school, it has been a busy week with lots of fun activities and there are lots more planned between now and the end of term. Please keep your eye on the diary dates below so that you can be well prepared.

On Thursday next week the Friends are holding a meeting at school at 7pm to talk about ideas for a festive fundraiser so please do come along and share your ideas or let Sam or Leila know beforehand. It would be great to have lots of people involved - many hands make light work!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs L. Watts - Executive Headteacher

This week in class...

Ash Class - This week in Ash Class we have been reading, I Am (Nearly) Always Kind. We have talked about what kindness is and how important it is. We have also talked about it not always being easy to be kind, especially when we disagree with someone and we have shared ways that we can overcome these difficulties. We also shared our own experiences of kindness - both being kind to others and others being kind to us. In maths we have been finding, subitising and representing the numbers 4 and 5 as well as finding 1 more than a number up to 4. In phonics we have focused on the sounds: e, l, h and qu and have started reading our first, 'Ditty sheet'. We learned about Guy Fawkes and the origins of Bonfire Night while also learning about fire and firework safety. We have created some firework and bonfire artwork using paint, pastels and collage.

Beech Class - In Beech class this week we have been cooking. Our big question was What is really in our food? To answer this, we have been comparing common shop bought food with homemade food. We have made pizza, bread rolls and tomato soup. We all agreed that our homemade food was really tasty. When we compared the ingredients of our recipes with mass produced food we discovered there was more salt and sugar. There were also a lot of ingredients we had never heard of.

Oak Class - Oak Class have returned after the half term, ready to learn! We are continuing our speech writing and have listened to many persuasive arguments about who the best footballer ever is; why you shouldn't tie your dog up in extreme weather and why going on safari could have a negative impact on the wildlife you are going to see. The children really enjoyed a little WWII re-enactment from Corporal Bishop in history which you will no doubt hear about from your child. We also had great success at a dodgeball tournament at Beeston Hall, coming in 2nd and 3rd place respectively. Well done team! - Felix, Macey, Lilly, Bentley, Noah, Harry, William, Willow, Charlie G, Charlie A, Gabriele, Alice and Henry

Day	Clubs	Leader
Monday	Singing	Eve Bryant
Tuesday	Multi-sports	Active Education
Wednesday	Netball	Sarah Lynes
Thursday	Multi-sports	Active Education
Friday	Dodgeball	Active Education

Attendance this week

Ash - 92.31%

Elm - 88.46%

Beech & Willow - 94.5%

Oak - 97.92%

Whole School - 95.07%

PE & Woodland Learning

Tuesday - PE for Elm and Beech

Wednesday Woodland Learning for Y6, Willow and Elm

Thursday - PE for small group

Friday - PE for Willow, Beech and Oak

Smarties go to...

Felix, Macey, Finley P, Zinnia, Charlie F,
Sebastian F, Millie-Rose



Dates for your Diary

Monday 11th November - Parents' consultations

Thursday 14th November - Friends' Meeting, 7pm

Friday 15th November - Non-uniform for Children in Need

Thursday 21st November - School photos

Thursday 5th December - Decorations morning

Saturday 7th December - singing at Cromer lights switch-on 2.30pm

Tuesday 10th December - Christmas memorial at Cromer Crematorium, 6pm

Wednesday 11th December - Nativity - 2pm and 5pm

Thursday 12th December - Christmas jumper day

Friday 13th December - Friends' Christmas bazaar - more details to follow

Friday 20th December - Christmas service, 2pm, end of term

Tuesday 7th January - Back to School