

17th November 2017

Celebration Newsletter



Stars of the Week.



Willow Class - Alexander Froom (Year 2)



Beech Class – Georgia Brown (Year 3)



Oak Class – Harvey Fleet-Chapman (Year 5)

Beech Class Farm Visit

Beech Class had a memorable visit to Greatworth Hall Farm this week. Like Oak Class, they also had the challenge of completing a maths trail. They learnt how to make appealing chips and had the wonderful experience of planting trees. They are all very much looking forward to their next visit in the Spring!

Reminders...

Flu Immunisation (Reception to Year 4)

The School Nurses will be in school, on the afternoon of Tuesday 21st November, to administer the flu immunisation to those children whose parents have given consent for them to receive it.

Mayan Day

Friday 24th November is our Mayan Day. There will be no Stay and Read or Celebration Assembly on this day. Please ensure your child wears all black clothing (t-shirt, jumper and joggers), and brings into school the headdress or jewellery that they completed for homework.

ParentMail Upgrade

This week parents would have received an email or text message to create an account to ParentMail PMX. Please ensure you do this as soon as possible so you do not miss out on any correspondence from school. We no longer send information from the old ParentMail PM1 system. If you have not received a text or email please contact the School Office staff who will try and assist.

Terry Goode's Multi Skills - After School Club

The last session, for Terry Goode's Club on Thursday, for this term, will be Thursday 30th November. The club will start again in the new year. Sign up forms will be given out in the near future.

Other Information...

On Wednesday 15th November a Local Education Authority School Advisor and a Partner Head Teacher visited the school to conduct a review. The focus was to look at the progress we have made since the last OFSTED. I am very proud to say that the children's behaviour was excellent both in the classroom and on the playground. The team observed the children working collaboratively and independently; challenging themselves in a range of lessons across the school. They saw some good and outstanding teaching which they were able to link directly to raising standards and great progress in reading, writing and maths. Phrases like 'strong teaching', 'expert teacher knowledge' and 'impressive standards' were used in their feedback. They were impressed with the governors who had an in-depth knowledge of the school's standards and a determination to drive school improvement. In all, it was a very positive day and we can now confidently say that we are a good school with the capacity to be a great school. **Thanks for all your support so far and for your great children!**

Your Views Urgently Needed!

Bearing this in mind we have not had any parents provide any feedback on the ParentView website. We greatly appreciate all your support and positive feedback and would be delighted if you could please spare a few minutes to share your views. Please find below the link to the ParentView website.

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/login?destination=give-your-views>

Upcoming Festive Events.

- **Advent, The Arts and Advocaat** (Performing Arts Evening), on Wednesday 13th December, is an event open to our community as well as parents and children. Tickets will be available free of charge from the School Office from Monday 4th December. This evening will involve Oak Class and the Performing Arts pupils showcasing their medley from Les Misérables; pupils from the music school performing some Christmas favourites as well as a fully licensed bar hosted by the PTA. They will also delight with homemade mulled wine, festive nibbles and an array of raffles throughout the evening.
- Our **Christmas Dinner** for the pupils, staff and governors is Monday 18th December. Please ensure you book your child's meal on LiveKitchen so they don't miss out. Please can the children also wear a **Christmas jumper or accessory** and donate £1 on this day to get into the Christmas spirit and raise funds for the school PTA.
- Willow Class will be performing two performances of **'The Nativity'** for parents on Tuesday 19th December, 9.30am and 3pm. The PTA will be selling festive refreshments at both performances.

- On the last day of term, Wednesday 20th December, we would be delighted to welcome parents and members of the community to Greatworth Church, at 10.45am, where the whole school will be performing **Christmas Carols**. The children will then return to school to have their **Christmas Party**. Please ensure your child brings in their party clothes to change into. There will be no school dinners on this day as the PTA will be providing yummy party food.

Other Achievements

Mollie Hall – Puffin Award in Swimming

Birthdays!

Harriet Froom – 11 years old

Weekly Class Attendance

Willow – 95.8%

Beech – 97.6% WINNERS

Oak – 91.3%

Homework Completion

	Spelling & Timetables (%)	Weekly Task (%)	Reading 3 Times a Week (%)
Willow	94	83	79
Beech	81	90	81
Oak	81	93	57

Reading Champions of the Week

25 Reads

Connor Dancer, Emma Hayward, Georgia Brown, Harley Kuhn, Maddison Woolley

50 Reads

Tabitha White, Zak Hayes, Charlotte Walsh

DOJOS



Willow = 1181 so far this year

Beech = 1875 so far this year

Oak = 948 so far this year

Grand Total = 4004

100 DOJOS AWARDS

Tabitha White, Lauren Bullen, Grace Froom, Georgia Brown, Emma Hayward, Alysia Fleet-Chapman, Harley Kuhn, Charlie Swain and Alex Winch

Clubs – week commencing 20th November 2017

	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Before School	The Great Grub Breakfast Club 7.45 – 8.45am	The Great Grub Breakfast Club 7.45 – 8.45am	The Great Grub Breakfast Club 7.45 – 8.45am Hot Shots Basketball Club 8 – 8.45am	The Great Grub Breakfast Club 7.45 – 8.45am	The Great Grub Breakfast Club 7.45 – 8.45am
After School	Smarty Arty Club Years 2-6 3.30 - 4.20pm Mrs Lutas-Brown.	Drama Club Years 2-6 3.30 - 4.20pm Mrs Lutas-Brown.		Multi Skills Sports Club 3.30-4.30pm Terry Goode.	Real PE Club Years 1 – 6 3.30-4.30pm Ricky Cole.

Dates for the diary

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Week commencing 20 th November	Art Week
Tuesday 21 st November	Flu Immunisation (Reception – Year 4)
Friday 24 th November	Mayan Day (Whole School Event) No Stay and Read or Celebration Assembly
Week commencing 27 th November	Anti-Bullying Week
Monday 4 th December	Tickets available for Advent, The Arts and Advocaat.
Wednesday 13 th December	PM – Dress Rehearsal for Advent, The Arts and Advocaat
Wednesday 13 th December	Advent, The Arts and Advocaat. Doors open at 6pm and the first performance is 6.30pm
Monday 18 th December	Christmas Jumper/Accessory Day (PTA fund raising event, £1 a child) Christmas Dinner
Tuesday 19 th December	The Nativity performed by Willow Class, 9.30am and 3pm
Wednesday 20 th December	Last day of term
Wednesday 20 th December	Christmas Carols performed by the whole school at the Church, 10.45am – 11.30am.
Wednesday 20 th December	12pm Whole School Christmas Party. (No school dinners).
Wednesday 3 rd January	Teacher Training Day
Thursday 4 th January	Children return to school
January	Change for Life Month