

Dates for your diary:

Flu Vaccinations 21 November

Make the Rules Day 1 December

Key Stage 1 Nativity 5 December

Lantern Parade 7 December - 4.30pm

Northcott Theatre Trip (Year 2-6) 12 December

> Christmas Jumper Day & School Christmas Lunch 13 December

Christingle Church Service 14 December - 2.30pm

End of Term - 15 December

## Stars of the week

Ash: Jack V Beech: Jesse Cedar: Demelza Oak: Jos Willow: Martha

## **Golden Leaves**

Ash: Zoe, Henry & Dexter Beech: Fleur Cedar: Jacob Oak: Laurel Willow: Ralph

#### Stars of the week last week

Ash: Molly Beech: Lexi Cedar: Sydney Oak: Freddie Willow: Chester

## Golden Leaves

Ash: Zac Beech: Sophie Cedar: Hallie Oak: Nellie Willow: Daniel

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# Newsletter: 17 November 2023

Message from Sarah Price I would like to start off by thanking all those that attended the PTFA AGM last night. Sorry, that I wasn't able to be there. Last night, Cara stepped down from her role as secretary and I would like to thank her for all that she has done for the children of our school. She will still be involved as a volunteer which

is fantastic and I know that the strength of the PTFA will continue to grow as lots of new parents are keen to support in anyway they can. The money raised by the PTFA really does help to enhance you child's learning and all of us at school are very grateful for all the hard work that goes into the annual events.

Another thank you to all who donated to Children in Need to day. It was lovely to see the children dressed up and spotty today. Remember, that you are able to send your donation by PayPal to sampfordpeverell.ptfa@yahoo.co.uk and the PTFA will transfer the money to Children in Need.

# Willow Class (Pre-

school) Hello everyone. It's been another busy week, with lots of continuous learning from last week. We have been creating farming environments, group-



ing and sorting the animals and talking about where our food comes from. Our Lego therapy fun, has resulted in some really impressive rockets and the children have requested to make a "sing song cafe" in role play. Have a super weekend!

## Oak Class (Reception and Year 1)

Over the past few weeks, we have been learning about Bonfire Night and Diwali. The children have experimented with using chalks, paints and crayons to create their own fireworks. Our topic for this term is food and farming; in English we have enjoyed reading 'What the Ladybird Heard' and putting actions to each animal in the story. In History, we have begun to learn about farms and where we get our food from. We have continued our interest in minibeasts through our science

learning of habitats and we investigated our outdoor area to find hibernating Harlequin Ladybirds. Year 1 had a fantastic time on our Multiskills trip to Uffculme School: we had a taste of football, parachute games, basketball and many other activities.



Cedar Class (Year 2) I was really proud of the whole of Cedar Class in the Remembrance Service last week; they behaved beautifully, and the readers showed a lot of courage by reading



their poems in front of the whole school. Well done everyone! Our English has been following a book called "We Are Water Protectors", and we have been asking lots of interesting questions about the indigenous people around whom the book is based, and researching answers. We have learned about how important water is to us, and why we need to look after it and protect it from pollution. We have also started learning the songs for the Nativity. The children have also been given their parts with lines to practice at home. I'm sure you will all get to know the songs almost as well as the children do by the time they perform on December 5th!

## Beech Class (Years 3 and 4)

Beech Class have had a fantastic two weeks full of exciting learning. Within English, the children have been writing their very own BFG inspired dreams to creating monstruous child



eating giants! Our history topic has cast the children's minds back to the Stone Age and they have begun to understand what the term nomadic means and how they used to hunt and gather food. Finally, the children have been working very hard on some robotic mechanical inspired dance routines, which we will share on our school website.

## Ash Class (Years 5 and 6)

Over the last two weeks we have based our writing on William Shakespeare's 'The Tempest'. To help understand the text we have analysed the language in class and watched a BBC stage production for children. The children have really enjoyed the different types of characters and the use of language - especially the Shakespearean insults! In maths, we have been learning about fractions - looking at finding equivalents and using this knowledge to help compare and order. In science, we have been investigating voltage in circuits and in history we have started our topic on Ancient Greece - comparing

the Greek states of Athens and Sparta. In music, we are continuing to learn how to improvise alongside a jazz piece on either the recorder or glockenspiel.

