

Dates for your diary:

Parents Evening 7 March

STEM Week 14 - 18 March

Comic Relief 18 March

Easter Church Service (Church) 2.30pm 6 April

> End of Term 8 April

Children return to School 25 April

Bank Holiday 2 May

School Holiday (in lieu of Queen's Jubilee) 27 May

> Half Term 30 May - 3 June

Stars of the week

Ash: Oscar S Beech: Albie Cedar: Hugo Oak: Louis

Golden Leaves

Ash: Lily Beech: Mary Cedar: Amelie Oak: Demelza

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Message from Sarah Price

Wow! How wonderful to see so many children dressed as characters or in the pyjamas today. Poor Mr Leaman being woken by the children this morning! World Book Day has been a great success and meeting the author Anne Parsons has inspired many children to have a go at writing their own book. Children have

told me that they would like to be a writer or illustrator when they grow up which is absolutely fantastic. The week after next, will be STEM (Science, technology, engineering and math) week and some parents who work in STEM industries have volunteered to record a video sharing a little about what their job involves. Thank you to those who have volunteered their time to do this and who knows you may inspire some future scientists or engineers!

Mr Vernon continues to be off and he is happy for me to share that he is off for personal. As a school, we are doing all we can to support him and we will update you when we have an expected return date.

We have lots going on this term and all dates are on the school calendar and newsletter so please check these so that you don't miss anything.

Willow Class (Pre-school)

Hello everybody, and welcome back. We are very excited to start this part of the term as we are focusing on Spring and the things that make this season so special. Our school



readiness activities are taking shape and we can't wait to get our green fingers growing!

Oak Class (Reception and Year 1)

This week in Oak Class we have been looking at the book Penguin and Pinecone, in the story Penguin finds a pinecone and they travel to the forest so that Pinecone



can be home. The children have been looking at the story and the features; including nouns, adjectives and verbs. They have also focused on letter formation. We have started a new geography topic: Weather in the UK and the rest of the World. We have a weather station set up in the classroom where we can be meteorologists and tell others what the weather is going to be. To end this week we had World Book Day, an author visited us and read to us.

Cedar Class (Years 1 and 2)

This week
Cedar Class
have started
looking at a
new book,
Penguin and
Pinecone. In
the book
Penguin



makes a new friend but soon realises that his friend is not happy in the cold snow and ice. He returns his friend to the forest and soon begins to miss them. When Penguin goes back to visit, he is shocked to see what he found. The children have loved reading and learning the story. They have created story maps to help them remember each part of the story. We have also started a new Geography topic. We are going to be looking closely at the weather in the UK and around the world!

Beech Class (Years 3 and 4)

A new half term means lots of exciting new learning! On

Monday, Beech started their unit about light by leading their own investigations in the classroom using shadow puppets and torches. We've also begun to look at stop motion animation by creating



our own flick-books before we apply this process to digital images over the coming weeks. Maths has seen Year 3 consolidate their understanding of fractions whilst Year 4 begin to look at decimals, which we will revisit together in the Summer Term. In English, we are drawing our unit on journalistic writing to a close by writing our reports of Annie Taylor's daring Niagara Falls stunt.

Ash Class (Years 5 and 6)

The new half term has bought some new areas of learning to Ash Class but, because of the storm day, some completing of last half term's work too! The children have now completed their William Morris inspired prints – where they used two colours printed on top of each other. They persevered brilliantly with this process as matching the reflected images together was very tricky. In science, the children have begun their new topic of light and have investigated how shadows are formed. In RE, the children have started to learn about Hinduism and what people who follow that faith believe and many were great at

remembering their previous learning. The week was capped off with World Book Day and the author who visited us and inspired many children to want to write their own stories!



