

Dates for your diary:

Children's Mental Health Week 7 - 11 February

> Dress to Express Day 11 February

> > Half Term 21-25 February

Parents Evening 3 & 7 March

World Book Day & Author Visit 4 March

> End of Term 8 April

Stars of the week

Ash: Dylan Beech: Rosie Cedar: Lexi Oak: Jaret Willow: Ralph

Golden Leaves

Ash: Hugo Beech: Mason Cedar: Zeb Oak: Hallie Willow: Orion

Stars of the week last week

Ash: Angel Beech: Belle Cedar: Branok Oak: Whole Class Willow: Sidney

Golden Leaves

Ash: Kate Beech: Jack V Cedar: Hugo Oak: Georgia Willow: Remy



Message from Sarah Price What a busy week! This week, I have had the opportunity to teach in Oak Class and I have been so impressed with the learning behaviours of these very young children. It made me reflect on the school as a whole and I have to say that I am so proud of the children and staff at our school. Everyone lives by our

school values and this is clear to see in the way that everyone interacts with each other. When showing perspective parents around, they always comment on the lovely feel that the school has and how polite our children are. I really feel lucky to work with such a committed team of staff, parents and children, and watching children develop their knowledge, understanding and skills is a real privilege.

Next Friday it is Dress to Express Day as part of Children's Mental Health week and I look forward to seeing children express their individuality.

Willow Class (Pre-school)

Kung Hey Fat Choy (Happy New Year) to you all. It is the year of the tiger in the Chinese Luna year. We have been practicing our lion dance and finding out what happens in Chinese communities for the new year. It has worked out perfectly as well because it links into

our interest in the winter moon and the winter night sky. Ziajian ni hao yun (Goodbye and good luck).



Oak Class (Reception and Year 1)

What a busy week we have had in Oak Class this week. All the children have shown really good learning behaviours and I have been so impressed with their maths and English knowledge. We have been using our RWI sounds to form words and have been using this words to write sentences as a group (YR) and independently (Y1). In maths, we have been consolidating 1 more and 1 less (even having their snack didn't stop them from learning). The Y1s have also been representing numbers up to 50 in different ways too. In RE, we learnt that the holy book for Christians is the bible and the Qur'an is the holy book for Muslims which are full of stories which are special to these religions. Y1s also learnt about 2 of the Five Pillars of Islam: belief

and prayer. In science, they continued to look at different materials in their environment and started to use words like opaque and transparent. A fantastic week of learning from everyone!



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Cedar Class (Years 1 and 2)

This week we have been applying all that we have learnt since the beginning of the year! We have been working really hard focusing on being independent learners! Also this week we have



been learning how to do different rolls! We practiced barrel rolls, side rolls and even started to think about how we might do a forward roll. In RE this week, we learnt about the 5 pillars of Islam and we talked about what Muslim's do to be good Muslims.

Beech Class (Years 3 and 4)

In art this week, we explored creating different textures using palette knives instead of paint brushes with different paint types, which was very different to our previous work with watercol-



ours! Maths this week has been focussed on finding equivalent fractions using lots of different strategies, including diagrams, fraction walls and our times table knowledge. During English, we have been continuing our work on biographies, using the text Fantastically Great Women Who Changed the World to look at how to share information clearly and concisely using adverbials and noun phrases. Next week, we will be writing our own biographies of famous electrical inventors in the style of our current text. This links to our science unit in which we looked at electrical conductors and insulators, in preparation to discuss how to stay safe around electricity next week.

Ash Class (Years 5 and 6)

This week in Ash Class the children are completing the final activities linked to The Industrial Revolution – with a focus on John Heathcoat and how his invention changed Britain (and in particular, Tiverton). They have been writing fact pages, biographies and even designing their own website in computing – all linked to history. In PE, they have continued to impress with their dance skills by composing their own dances linked to getting on falling out in school. They have been learning how to keep the beat and create movements to fit the music. In music, they have continued to listen to and appraise love songs and have been practicing playing along to Adele's: 'Make You Feel My Love' on Glockenspiels – including some of them reading the music themselves. In art, the children have

really shown their resilience skills by cutting leaf shapes from lino to create their own William Morris style prints – watch this space for the final designs!

