



Sampford Peverell C of E Primary School

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Newsletter: 16 December 2022

Dates for your diary:

Non Pupil Day - 3 January

Children Return to School
4 January

Northcott Theatre Trip
6 January

Half Term
13 - 17 February

End of Term
31 March

Stars of the week

Ash: Henry
Beech: Aurora
Cedar: Harry
Oak: Maksym
Willow: Whole Class

Golden Leaves

Ash: Beau
Beech: India
Cedar: Reuben, Wilbur, Jack
Oak: Hugh

Stars of the week last week

Ash: Lily
Beech: Edward
Cedar: James
Oak: Theo

Golden Leaves

Ash: Zoe
Beech: Jack
Cedar: Oscar
Oak: Douglas

Admissions Policy

Our 2024-2025 draft admissions policy is now available on our website and can be viewed by clicking [here](#). The formal consultation period starts on 1 November 2022 and ends on Friday 6 January 2023. If you have any comments, please email them to sampford@ventrus.org.uk.



Message from Sarah Price

What a wonderful week to end the term on! It was lovely to see so many children looking festive on Wednesday for their Christmas lunch and to see the excitement on their faces when Father Christmas came to visit. This week has been full of festive cheer and I would like to thank the PTFA for the craft activities

which they supplied to the children; for arranging Father Christmas' visit and for the raffles which have raised money for the mini-bus fund. I would also like to thank Rev Glyn and Mandy for a beautiful Christingle Service yesterday.

This time of year is full of joy but we also know that it can bring added pressures to families so we would like to remind you about the [mental health and wellbeing page on our website](#) which has lots of useful resources to boost yours and your child's winter wellbeing.

Please also remember that on our website, you can view our [news page](#) to see some of the learning and events that have taken place this term.

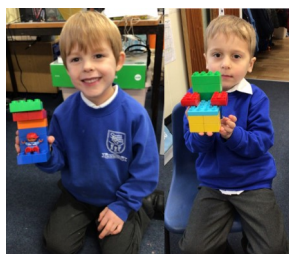
Merry Christmas and see you all on Wednesday 4 January 2023 for another fun filled term.

Willow Class (Pre-school)

Hello everybody. What a busy week it has been. Lots of Christmas fun and learning. We enjoyed a visit from Father Christmas on Wednesday and have been playing Christmas music and games. We wish you all happy holidays and look forward to seeing you all in the new year. Best wishes Willow team.

Oak Class (Reception and Year 1)

Last week, the children did themselves proud when they performed their Nativity plays on Tuesday—well done. This week within design and technology, we have been looking at framed structures: Reception made a chair for a toy out of Duplo and Year 1 children designed and produced a chair using lollipop sticks. In English, we have completed our 'One Snowy Night' text creating a piece of work about a new woodland creature knocking on Percy the Park Keeper's door. We also had a fun filled session creating lots of crafts and games kindly prepared by the PTFA. Reception children made Christmas trees and the Year 1 children made a Christmas character. Hope you all have a restful and joyful break.



Cedar Class (Years 1 and 2)

Crikey, what a busy week it's been! Cedar Class have absolutely loved all the festive fun (thank you PTFA). Including making our Christmas hats, the fun run, craft activities and most importantly the visit from Father Christmas himself. On top of all that, we've been busy doing a DT project all about frame structures with the children working in small groups to create their own swings, chairs and tables for toys. Very much time for a well earned break!



Beech Class (Years 3 and 4)

What a fantastic last two weeks Beech Class have had! It has been a medley of finishing our learning and taking part in countless Christmas activities. In English, the children have created and written some beautiful Christmas themed poems. Within DT, they have developed an understanding of pneumatics and hydraulics. They have really enjoyed this unit of work and have created their own pneumatic lifting device. All things Christmas...where to begin. From Christmas lunch; Father Christmas visiting; cooking; Cracker throwing competitions and crafts, the children have had a fantastic time! To those who are absent today, please have a marvellous Christmas holiday; we cannot wait to see you in the New Year! Parents, thank you for all your support with the children's learning, it is much appreciated. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



Ash Class (Years 5 and 6)

In Ash Class over the past two weeks, we have been extremely busy - and not just with everything Christmas! Over the term, we have been reading the classic 'Heidi' each day and we have finally finished it this week. The children really enjoyed the plot and characters of the story but also the historical and geographical vocabulary and knowledge it brought up. We also visited the Mosque in Exeter, as well as the Cathedral, by train to look at how similar and different places of worship are. The children were amazing - asking questions and being extremely respectful. In classwork, we have: written our own Christmas stories; completed our maths work on fractions; made our willow lanterns for the parade; completed our Christmas crafts; learnt about Benin; composed our own Jazz piece; and recorded our own podcast! Phew! We wish you a merry Christmas from all of us in Ash and we are looking forward to seeing what the new year brings.

