

# Dates for your diary:

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: Oscar H Beech: Stafford Cedar: Yanek Oak: Kayden Willow: All of Willow Class

## **Golden Leaves**

Ash: Felix Beech: Jack B Cedar: Skyler Oak: Grace, James & Thomas

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# Newsletter: 18 February 2022



Message from Sarah Price We will be marking World Book Day on Friday 4 March and our theme will be a 'book at bedtime.' Children are invited to come to school dressed in their pyjamas/dressing gowns. If your child would prefer to dress up as a book character or wear their school uniform, that will be fine. We also have Anne Parsons the

author of the Archie series of books visiting us. She will be sharing her latest book in the series called Archie, Wait! More information about the book can be found here <u>https://www.amazon.co.uk/Archie-Wait-Anne-Parsons/dp/1800464886</u> Copies of this book and Archie, Jump! can be ordered at a cost of £6 of which £1 will be donated to the school. There are order forms by the signing in book in the foyer.

#### Willow Class (Pre-school)

Hello again, we hope you are all well? What a wonderful six weeks it has been. The children have been very busy exploring our ideas, projects and themes across the setting. Our focus on the winter night sky has been very exciting and we have really enjoyed exploring how the seasons are changing. We finished the week by exploring poems and



rhymes by looking at some lovely paintings that help stimulate thoughts and language. How many rhyming words can you find? Have a lovely half term and we look forward to welcoming you back ready for the next part of the spring term.

#### Oak Class (Reception and Year 1)

This week the children in Oak Class have worked extremely hard. In maths, they have continued their learning about 2-D shapes. The Year 1s have also been learning about 3-D shapes. See what shapes your child can identify around your house! The children have also been learning about instructions and the importance of having them in the correct order. Year 1s then created a set of instructions to make a card aeroplane. In Science, the children learnt about what absorbent and non

-absorbent means. Why not test how absorbent different materials are in your home. You could get your child to predict which material they think will be more absorbent and why.



#### Cedar Class (Years 1 and 2)

What a great last week to this half term! We have been working hard to create instructions and have created a set of instructions to make a card aeroplane. We then tested out these instructions by following them ourselves. We have also been spotting 2D and



3D shapes around the school. Also, we have been describing the different properties of the shapes and playing the 'What's my shape?' game. Year 1 went on their first school trip and showed off their skills at the multiskills event at Uffculme. I was so impressed at how hard they worked and how they listened carefully to the different instructions to all of the fun activities.

#### Beech Class (Years 3 and 4)

We've begun to look at the skills needed to write newspaper reports this week. After half term, we will be applying

these to writing newspaper articles inspired by the story 'The Queen of the Falls' by Chris van Allsburg, which we've been sharing and exploring as our class story this week. As it's the final



week of this half term, we've been finishing off lots of our topics. In art, we applied our learning to creating our own abstract pieces. We used our knowledge of circuits to conduct our own investigations in science and really enjoyed including motors and buzzers!

#### Ash Class (Years 5 and 6)

This week in Ash Class the children have been completing their design technology task by creating a Victorian style cam toy. The children had to show some great resilience to ensure that they engineered it correctly so that it would work. In English they have been creating their very own 'Magnificent Machines' page all about machines from the Industrial Revolution based on the style from our class book. In maths we have capped off our work on perimeter, area and volume - trying to get to grips with understanding the differences between them. The children have also completed the music block and have really enjoyed discussing their differing opinions of the songs studied and learnt how to accompany the main song:

'Make You Feel My Love' on the glockenspeil - some playing along to the main melody. With the last day of the half term having to be at home, the children may feel concerned about not being able to finish off some of this term's projects - please reassure them that when we return after half term, they will be given time to complete them.

