



Newsletter

"Forward thinking and creative; valuing faith, tradition, community and achievement"



We love because he first loved us. 1 JOHN 4:19

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Issue 10

Dear Parents and Carers,

Once again, our children have been so busy this week. We would like to begin by thanking our house captains who represented our school so well at the weekend. Milo, Tana, Lauren, Sophie, Emma T and Emma S attended the Brigstock service of Remembrance and laid the wreath so respectfully at the village war memorial. Our vicar commented on the maturity of the children and was so pleased to see them at this important village event.



This week has been 'Anti-Bullying Week'. We started the week with an assembly from our school council who talked to the children about the importance of showing kindness towards one another. They also explained about what to do to prevent bullying and how to deal with situations if they arise. Thank you to the school council for all their hard work.





The school council also organised activities in support of Children in Need. They asked us all to come in pyjamas for the day...

Thank you to everyone who supported this charity event, and helped to raise money for so many children in need.



On Monday it was World Kindness Day, and we have all been thinking of ways to show kindness to each other. We would like to remind everyone about our Kindness Tea Party, which will be taking place on December 6th at 5pm in the school hall. We hope you will be able to come and enjoy some festive snacks and songs. At 6 o'clock we will open our Advent Window on the grassy bank at the front of the school.



There is also an Art Attack to look forward to in the run-up to Christmas. Everyone is welcome to attend this fun, creative event which will involve making lots of festive decorations for your home. It takes place on Tuesday, 28th November at the end of the school day. Thank you to Elaine Fincher for organising this event- and to everyone who has offered to help on the evening.

DON'T FORGET... THIS MONDAY, 20TH NOVEMBER, IS BRITISH VALUES DAY. EVERYONE CAN COME TO SCHOOL IN RED, WHITE AND BLUE...AND ALL OFFERS OF CAKE WILL BE GRATEFULLY RECEIVED! PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO JOIN OUR CLASS TEA PARTIES FROM 3 O'CLOCK.

Please can we politely remind you that children should not ride their scooters or bikes on the school grounds.

Thank you for all your support.

S.Ettridge and V.Bull



Upcoming Events

20th November – British Values Day

20th November – Road Safety Week

28th November – Art Attack

6th December – Kindness Tea Party and Advent Window Unveiling

12th December – Nativity and Xmas Play at 2pm

13th December – Nativity and Xmas Play at 6pm



Attendance

Attendance in school last week was 95.5%. Well done to **Cherry Blossom** class who had the highest attendance at 98.7%.



Awards and Certificates outside of school

Congratulations to Freya Dowling for achieving a Merit in her Classical Ballet exam

Well done to Charlie Kidd for being Star of the Week at Gymnastics with Premier Sport



Headteacher's Awards

The class teachers have selected the following children this week:

- Reception – Anna Whorrell for always listening carefully and giving 100% in everything she does and thinking of brilliant ways in which we can be kind to others
- Year 1 – Isabelle Pawlowski for excellent maths work sorting the days of the week
- Year 2 – Lily Lloyd-Uzoegbu for great independent writing using a range of adjectives
- Year 3 – Elias Hodson for trying hard to improve his handwriting
- Year 4 – Alex Trbojevic for a fantastic setting description
- Year 5 – Jay Fraser for using the power of 3 in his persuasive writing
- Year 6 – Joshua Keyworth for remembering to write multiples when completing long division and ensuring his work was set out correctly



WILLOW CLASS

We are always so impressed with the brilliant work that goes on every week in Willow class. This week we have been exploring and learning about Amazing 8. She is a brilliant spider with 8 legs, 8 eyes and makes a beautiful web with 8 jewels on it. We added 8 jewels to our webs, using lots of different 2D shapes.



It has also been Anti-Bullying Week. We have been thinking about how we can be kind to others; remembering to have kind hands, kind feet and use kind words. We have also been thinking about who we could talk to if we see anything wrong.

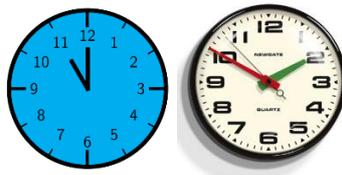
Nell said, "It is fun to be different and like different things." And Darcey said, "We can still be friends even though we are different." We have decided as a class that we **like** being different.



MAPLE CLASS

Well done to all the children in Maple Class this week. They have worked so hard and we have all seen big improvements in the quality of their writing. Everyone has continued to write creatively about 'The Gruffalo', and the children have tried to use a range of descriptive language with more independence and confidence.

In Maths, everyone has been learning about Time, and all children have worked hard to improve their understanding and accuracy when telling the time. They have created their own clock faces and have been timing a range of activities.



Science activities have been fun and interesting as we have all continued to find out more about materials and their properties. We have also been doing some important work linked to anti-bullying week, so it has been a week full of effort, energy and commitment.

CHERRY BLOSSOM

In Literacy, we have continued writing Fantasy stories. The children have been working so hard to use descriptive language and think about different settings they could use. They have written their 'Warm writes' and I am really looking forward to reading their stories.

In Science, we have been looking at bones and muscles. We looked at a body part and had to use resources (elastic bands) to show how our muscles work. It was very fiddly!

We have been using the story of Papa Panov in our RE lesson this week to think about the act of giving during the Christmas period. It is a lovely story, with lots of hidden meanings and the children wrote some thoughtful letters in response to it.

For Anti-bullying week, we discussed what it means to be equal. We talked about how we are all different and that our differences make us unique. The children then wrote on a hand print, 5 things that they think make a great friend. These will be made into a wreath and displayed in our classroom.



We are also very busy getting ready for our Christmas production, Young Voices and our Class Assembly. We hope to see you for our British Values tea party on Monday as well.

OAK CLASS

In literacy we have continued to think about features of persuasive text and identified these within a letter. We have focused on our own writing incorporating the power of 3, repetition and thinking about the appropriate use of 1st, 2nd and 3rd person.

After our last long division lesson for this term we moved onto fractions. We initially looked at equivalent fractions and then moved on to comparing them and working with improper and mixed fractions.

As part of Kindness Day and Anti-bullying week the children created graffiti slogans. They all thought of a word that promoted positivity and drew it in a graffiti style. They chose the colours to either reflect their word or their own personality. They are displayed in the classroom and look fantastic.



We have spent time rehearsing our assembly and I am so proud of the work the children have completed for their learning log this week. They are all looking forward to sharing their memories of Norfolk Lakes in our Friday afternoon's assembly.