

Dates for your diary:

Return to School 3 January

Half Term 12 - 16 February

Parents Evening 7 & 11 March

World Book Day 8 March

Music Concert 21 March

Easter Service 27 March

End of Term 28 March

Stars of the week

Ash: Belle Beech: Thomas Cedar: Nicholas Oak: Jemima

Golden Leaves

Ash: Lola, James F, Annabe & Mary Beech: Clara Cedar: Louis Oak: Jack

Stars of the week last week

Ash: Edward Beech: Bryony Cedar: Oscar Oak: Sidney Willow: George N

Golden Leaves

Ash: James H Beech: Toby Cedar: Reuben Oak: Theo Willow: Riley

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Newsletter: 15 December 2023



Message from Sarah Price

What a busy few weeks it has been with lots of festive activities to help the children create magical memories. Thank you to all those who attended the Lantern Parade, Nativity and Christingle Service recently and to all those who purchased raffle tickets. We raised a tremendous £892 towards the minibus. Thank you to

the PTFA for organising such a successful event.

The children in Year 2 to 6 also enjoyed their trip to the Northcott Theatre this week. Many laughs were had by all. The children also had lots of fun on Wednesday with a visit from Father Christmas, their Christmas lunch and Christmas craft making. Today we also read Twas the Night before Christmas to all the children and sang some songs to finish off the term.

Please have a wonderful Christmas break with your families and we look forward to welcoming you back on Wednesday 3rd January. Merry Christmas everyone!

Willow Class (Pre-school)

Hello everybody, and seasons greetings to you all. It has been a lovely (but busy) week of exploring Christmas in our community and around the world. We have been practice



sing our 3 Christmas songs, baking and making scented oranges and talking about what Christmas looks like in our homes and families. We have been discovering Christmas words, making mangers and reading Christmas themed stories. We wish you all a peaceful and happy Christmas and look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

Oak Class (Reception and Year 1)

What a wonderful last two weeks of term we have had! The children were fantastic in our Nativity and had a great time performing for you. Ahead of the Lantern Parade, each child made their own lantern using recycled bottles and they created a brilliant effect with battery tea lights inside. Through our provision, we have enjoyed a variety of Christmas and seasonal crafts,

including collage baubles, making Christmas cards and decorations. Linking into our learning about how Christians celebrate Christmas in RE, we decorated our classroom with painted wreaths and discussed the meaning behind Advent. We hope that you all have a wonderful holiday!



Cedar Class (Year 2) Cedar Class have had a fun fortnight leading up to Christmas! After the excitement of the

up to Christmas! After the excitement of the Nativity last week, we have continued learning about Christmas in our RE lessons, mak-



ing paper chains and baubles to show why Christmas is special. This week we have listened to and read lots of different Christmas poems, as well as creating our Christingles for Thursday's service. On Monday, Miss Keatly from Devon Wildlife Trust, taught us lots about pine martins and their habitats. The children also really enjoyed their trip to the Northcott Theatre, and were able to tell me lots about this exciting experience the following day. Christmas Jumper day was also a lot of fun, with extra crafts and fun activities.

Beech Class (Years 3 and 4)

Wow! The children have had a jampacked couple of weeks at school with so many events taking place in the run up to the Christmas holidays. Within English,



the children have been designing blueprints for their very own flying contraptions together with a set of operating instructions! Within maths, they have all been developing their understanding of multiplication across a range of times tables. Finally, the children have spent this week studying mechanical mechanisms that use links and levers to generate motion. With this knowledge they have been developing their own Christmas themed mechanical product. Have a great Christmas everybody.

Ash Class (Years 5 and 6)

Well, we've been gearing up for Christmas this week but that also means that we have been bringing our topics to a close. The children performed some brilliant dance routines linked to time - using a full variety of movement, levels and timings. We have also really enjoyed linking our studies on the Ancient Greeks and English by writing our own Odyssey inspired story. In science ,we completed our own investigations linked to volts and electricity -

using data loggers to record our findings. This week we have loved creating our Christmas crafts supplied by the PTFA and Father Christmas himself! The pantomime was enjoyed by everyone with some great audience participation. All of Ash wish you a VERY Merry Christmas and we look forward to the new year and all the great things it will bring.

