

Dates for your diary: Parents Evening- 11 March

STEM Week - 11 - 15 March

**Red Nose Day - 15 March** 

Exmoor Challenge Practice Walk (Year 6) - 15 March

Music Concert, Village Hall 4pm - 21 March

Easter Service, Church 2.30pm - 27 March

Exmoor Challenge Practice Walk (Year 6) - 28 March

End of Term - 28 March

Return to School - 15 April

Exmoor Challenge Practice Walk (Year 6) - 19 April

London Residential (Year 5) 1 - 3 May

**Exmoor Challenge - 4 May** 

Bank Holiday - 6 May

Half Term - 27 - 31 May

Non Pupil Day - 3 June

## Stars of the week

Ash: Ava Beech: Ava Cedar: Georgia Oak: Nellie Willow: Millie

#### **Golden Leaves**

Ash: Joe and James F Beech: Evelyn Cedar: Louis Oak: Stefan Willow: Ralph

# Stars of the week last week

Ash: Aurora Beech: Zeb Cedar: Jacob Oak: Emily St Willow: Ethan

#### **Golden Leaves**

Beech: Arno
Cedar: Demelza
Oak: Sidney
Willow: Florence

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## **Newsletter: 8 March 2024**



# Message from Sarah Price

It was lovely to see the children in their house groups this morning working with different teachers exploring a range of books. Then in the afternoon they met the author <u>Simon James</u> and I am sure he inspired a few future illustrators and authors. We hope that the day really helped your child to continue or develop

a love of reading. Research states that reading for pleasure is an important factor in future success and life expectancy. Please read the article above to find out more.

Next week is STEM Week and we have lots of exciting activities planned which will hopefully inspire a few future scientists too!

# Willow Class (Pre-school)

Hello everybody. It has been a very exciting week in Willow. We are really enjoying the start of our transport topic, with lots of talk about how we travel to and from school; travelling on public transport at the weekend and being safe next to vehicles and roads. We have been exploring bus numbers in our



maths experience and counting wheels on vehicles that we have made at the construction station. We are exploring space transport next week, linking it to STEM Week. Our new art project is coming along nicely too. Can you guess what we are creating?

# Oak Class (Reception and Year 1)

In Oak Class this week, we have begun our learning on transport and opened our train station role play area. This has encouraged lots of fantastic language about the adventures that children have been on and places that they would like to go someday. In English, we are reading 'Neil Armstrong' and are thinking about space travel ahead of STEM Week. Throughout our science topic focusing on classifying animals, the children have shone with their animal knowledge and enjoyed using QR codes in the classroom to discover more. In PE, we are practising sending and receiving

through a variety of games and the children have been so enthusiastic to work on their rolling and throwing skills. As the weather improves, we have enjoyed moving our learning outside, creating dens, searching for insects and getting stuck into some messy play!



## Cedar Class (Year 2)

This week, Cedar have been learning about mass in maths, and using balance scales to investigate" heavier" and "lighter". The children have enjoyed finding out how



different scales work and finding the mass of lots of different classroom objects. We finished writing our stories based on our class book, "Tadpole's Promise" and have also completed an explanation of how tadpoles transform into frogs. There has been some lovely work produced, which the children are rightly proud of. Our history this week has been all about Christopher Columbus, but next week in STEM week we will be learning about a very different kind of explorer - one who went to the moon!

## Beech Class (Years 3 and 4)

Beech Class have had a fantastic couple of w e e k s at school. Within English, the children have all qualified as tea experts! They



have really enjoyed learning about the vast range of tea plantations across the globe and the range of teas available; loaded with explosions of flavour. In addition, our English unit of work exposed the children to the fantastic work that Fairtrade carryout across the globe in a bid to improve the poor working conditions of tea plantation workers. Within maths, the children have embraced the final week of all things fractions and I have been so impressed with how well they have all grasped so many new concepts. Finally, World Book Day was a massive success and the children had a marvel-lous day.

## Ash Class (Years 5 and 6)

What a busy few weeks we have had! Last week's major event was going on our first class walk in a number of years. The children were brilliant - walking over 6 miles in a great time and with super resilience. During the walk they learnt valuable skills in navigation and map reading, looking at approaching whether and survival skills (no children were harmed in the dramatic enactment of a broken ankle!) In class the children have now completed their reworked fairy tale base on the Sleeper and the Spindle - with some fantastic ideas to link their story to other fairy tales. This week has seen the children extend

their knowledge on perimeter in maths, deepen their understanding of the industrial revolution and analyse paintings in art. Obviously we have then taken part in World Book Day with the children working brilliantly across all the classrooms on book related activities and welcoming an author into school.

