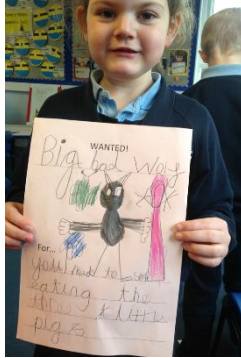


Mr P Hayward: Headteacher

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2022

### In school this week...

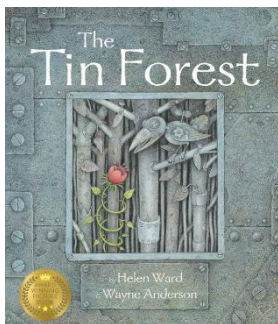


This week, **Willow Class** has enjoyed working on an English unit called Traditional Tales. The children have acted out the story of The Three Little Pigs together and made fantastic 'Wanted' posters to help catch The Big Bad Wolf!

The children in **Oak Class** became history detectives when they studied some artwork and read Samuel Pepys' diary to see what they could find out about the Great Plague. The children



have also been studying the artist Giuseppe Arcimboldo. They enjoyed exploring the technique of printing to create a portrait. The children used paint, chopped fruit and vegetables to create their portraits. Lots of messy learning.



Children in **Beech Class** are reading a book called 'The Tin Forest' in English. They have performed some drama and written lots of wonderful descriptive phrases this week.

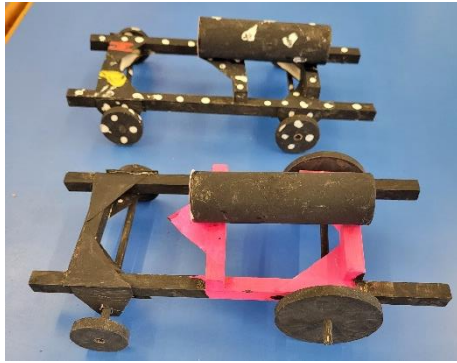


On Wednesday, the children were scientists and spent the afternoon in the dark (quite literally) when investigating to see if materials were *opaque*, *translucent* or *transparent* using a torch. They did very well using these tricky new scientific terms!

**Elm Class** has had a busy and eventful week. It started on Monday with swimming. The children all said how much they enjoyed their swimming lesson and the staff at the swimming baths commented on the children's good behaviour. The good behaviour and enthusiasm of Elm Class was also noted on Thursday when the children took part in a PE competition. They worked well in teams to complete a circuit in the hall. Besides this, the children in Elm Class have woken up early and used every spare minute to play enthusiastically in the TT Rockstars tournament.

The children in **Sycamore Class** have been designing and building drag-racer cars. Are big wheels better than small wheels? Will painting the axle make a difference? Are spotty cars faster than stripy ones? All will





be revealed when the cars are launched across the hall floor, using a blast of compressed air.

**Maple Class** highlights from this week have got to be the indoor Pentathlon, Forest Schools and playing European Countries Top Trump! I was very proud of the sensible and enthusiastic way the children took part in the Pentathlon activities. They worked collaboratively and independently and had a great time too! The Top Trumps sparked lots of conversation

about the differences and similarities of the European countries - it was a lot more fun than it may sound!



### Plea for materials

If any families have any the following materials that they would be able to donate for use at our Forest School sessions, they would be very gratefully received:



- Wood of any kind e.g. sticks, logs, planks, (with no nails)
- Plastic crates
- Pine cones
- Bricks / guttering / ceramic pots for a bug hotel (damaged or broken parts are fine!)

Please call into the office if you are able to help us.

### PRAYER SPACE - COMPASSION

This half-term, the children are focussing on Compassion, one of the 6 school values. Showing compassion is about being kind and thoughtful to others. It is about putting yourself out sometimes to help someone. This week, say a prayer or share a thought asking God to help us show more compassion.

### CHILL

To book places for CHILL, please click on the link below. Bookings should be made by no later than 1.00pm on the Friday before the bookings are required.

[CLICK HERE to access CHILL booking forms](#)

## Lunch Menu for week commencing Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Lunchtime Menu – Week 3 (Weeks commencing 13/09, 04/10, 25/10, 15/11, 06/12, 27/12, 17/01, 07/02, 28/02, 21/03, 11/04)					
Day	Dailies	Hot Specials		Sides	Puddings
Monday	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	<b>Vegetable Supreme Pizza with dough balls</b> Cheesy tomato pizza slice with sweetcorn and peppers	<b>Veggie Sausage and Mash with Gravy</b> Veggie sausage and mash with gravy	Fresh carrots and peas	Oatie Biscuit With Fruit Slices
Tuesday	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	<b>Allegra's Garlicky Chicken and Spanish Spuds</b> Garlic seasoned chicken, served with Spanish style potatoes	<b>Allegra's Cheesy Peasy Risotto Bake</b> A delicious baked cheesy, pea risotto	Sweetcorn and Fresh Broccoli	Apple and Carrot Yoghurt Muffin
Wednesday	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	<b>Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gravy</b> Roast chicken with fluffy roasties and tasty gravy	<b>Quorn Roast with Roast Potatoes and Gravy</b> A veggie Quorn roast with fluffy roasties	Fresh Carrots and Fresh Cabbage	Strawberry Ice Cream With Fruit Slices
Thursday	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	<b>Golden Fish Fingers and Chips</b> Crispy fish fingers with scrummy chips	<b>Quorn Dippers and Chips</b>	Fresh Broccoli and Sweetcorn	Chocolate Sponge Cake With Fruit Slices
Friday	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	<b>Beef Burger with Potato Wedges</b>	<b>Veggie hotdog with Potato Wedges</b>	Baked Beans, Fresh Carrots and Peas	Creamy Peach Rice Pudding
<b>Available every day: Cool water, salad, freshly baked bread, yoghurt and fresh fruit</b>					

Please note that Friday's menu will be served on Thursday this week.

### And finally...

I have been communicating with members of STAA, St Andrew's PTFA, who are thinking of some fun activities and fund raisers for the children. They are eager to get started. We are really lucky to have such a dedicated team.

Also, each Friday, the whole school have a celebration assembly. We focus on this half-term's school value and celebrate children who have gone the extra mile to demonstrate or live that value. This week, I would like to say well done to the following children:

Willow: Lilly and Joshua

Oak: Isabella and George

Beech: Iona, Matilda and Sophie

Elm: Elsie

Sycamore: Ethan

Maple: Ben and Charley

Well done children, we are all proud of you.

Mr Hayward.

### TERM DATES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2021 – 2022

#### SPRING TERM 2022

Monday 24 January

Local Academy Committee Meeting 6.00pm

Wednesday 26 January

Open the Book assemblies begin

**Half Term:** Monday 21 February – Friday 25 February

Monday 4 April	Parents' evening – Face to face
Tuesday 5 April	Parents' evening – Face to face
Friday 8 April	Last day of the Spring term

**Easter Holiday:** Monday 11 April – Friday 22 April  
**Easter Sunday:** Sunday 17 April

**SUMMER TERM 2022**

Monday 25 April	School opens
Monday 2 May	School closed due to May Bank Holiday

**Half Term:** Monday 30 May – Friday 3 June

Monday 6 June	INSET Day – school closed to children
Tuesday 7 June	INSET Day – school closed to children
Wednesday 20 July	Last day of the school year

**Summer Holiday:** Thursday 21 July – Friday 2 September 2022