

Mr P Hayward: Headteacher

Friday 4th November 2022

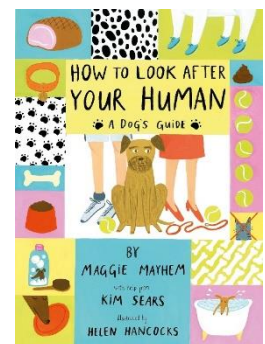
This Week In School

This week **Willow Class** has enjoyed learning about Bonfire Night. The children created very colourful firework pictures and wrote onomatopoeic words to describe the sounds that fireworks make. They learnt about Guy Fawkes and the Gunpowder Plot and even made a video about firework safety.



The children in **Oak Class** have returned to school full of enthusiasm and ready to learn. In their history lesson this week, they have started to find out about the first Moon landing and you can see from this amazing illustration that they have already been captivated by the subject. In English lessons, the children created their own information page about tigers. They really enjoyed completing research about these magnificent creatures and they have started to use different basic organisational devices to structure and present their writing. They are excited to share the finished information pages with parents on Dojo once they are complete!

The children in **Beech Class** have been reading a text called 'How to Look After Your Human'. The author wrote the book from her dog Maggie's perspective. The children are starting to draft their own guide in the same style and have really enjoyed this humorous book. In science, the children have started to learn about light. This week, they were identifying and sorting light sources. In PSHE, the children were thinking about what it means to have a balanced lifestyle. They focused on healthy eating and critiqued the school dinner menu.



It was lovely to welcome **Elm Class** back to school this week. They have had a busy week and have worked really hard. The children have started their new unit of writing this week and have enjoyed sharing fables and discussing the morals of each story. In maths, the children have started a new topic about measurement and have started to learn about area.

This week in **Sycamore Class**, the children have deepened their knowledge of the Gospels in RE, identifying features of a Gospel and discussing the meaning of them. They have worked hard in Science, using investigation skills to identify the properties of different materials in the classroom, using magnets to test magnetism, bending objects to test

flexibility, using water to test their permeability, light to test their transparency and finally using a pin to test their hardness. They had great fun working in teams to find the answers. They have also been amazing in PE this week, working in pairs to create a beautiful dance sequence based on the topic of forces, using balances and different travel movements in response to the music.

The children in **Maple Class** have quickly got back into the swing of a new half term. This week their English focus was poetry. The children have been reading, analysing and performing poems from World War I and II in preparation for Remembrance Day on Friday. In maths, the children have been using their skills to answer multi step word problems and looking at the order of operations. Group 1 thoroughly enjoyed getting back into Forest Schools and Group 2 had a great time doing PE - all are looking forward to the swap over next week.

Attendance of the week...

Willow	Oak	Beech	Elm	Sycamore	Maple
96.8%	93.8%	100%	96.4%	92.8%	100%

Well done **Beech and Maple Classes**, for the second week running, you are our best attendees. 100% - Perfect!

Year 6 House Captains



Before covid and lockdowns, St Andrew's always had house captains. These are Year 6 pupils who put themselves forward to represent their houses. The houses are Rose, Daffodil, Shamrock and Thistle – the flowers of the four nations of the United Kingdom. The children have been tasked with looking out for younger children and establishing a sense of belonging across the school. Well done to Pippa, Beatrix, Thomas, Leo, Hollie, Ariana, Amelia and Sophie.

Prayer Space

I pray, O God, for all the different kinds of people to whom Jesus gave special concern and care when he was on earth. For those needing food or drink or clothes. For the sick and all those who are wasted by disease. For the blind, the disabled and for people suffering from life-shattering diseases. For prisoners; for those oppressed by any injustice and for refugees and asylum seekers. For the homeless and all the lost sheep of our society. For all victims of exploitation and abuse. For the lonely, the worried and the anxious. For those who are living faithful lives in obscurity. For those who are fighting bravely for unpopular causes and for all those who are working diligently for you throughout your world.

School Dinner Menu for the week commencing Monday 7th November

Week 2 Menu	Hot Specials		Daily Fave	Jackets	Puddings
Monday	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Served with Potato Wedges	Mixed Bean Pasta Served with Tomato Pizza Bread	Tomato Pasta	Jacket Potato and Filling	Jam Sponge with Fruit Slices
Tuesday	Chicken Noodle Stir Fry Served with Two Vegetables	Vegetable Lasagne Served with Garlic and Herb Bread Wedge	Tomato Pasta	Jacket Potato and Filling	Banana and Apricot Flapjack served with Fresh Fruit
Wednesday	Roast Gammon Served with Mashed Potato, Two Vegetables, Yorkshire Pudding and Gravy	Vegetable Pie Served with Mashed Potato, Two Vegetables and Gravy	Tomato Pasta	Jacket Potato and Filling	Chocolate Ice Cream with Fruit Slices
Thursday	Keralan Chicken Curry Served with Wholegrain Rice and Two Vegetables	Cauliflower and Sweet Potato Masala Served with Wholegrain Rice and Two Vegetables	Tomato Pasta	Jacket Potato and Filling	Apple and Berry Crumble served with Custard
Friday	Breaded Fish Served with Chips and Three Vegetables	Quorn Dippers Served with Chips and Three Vegetables	Tomato Pasta	Jacket Potato and Filling	Vanilla Ice Cream with Fresh Cut Fruit Slices

CHILL – Before and After School Wrap-Around-Care

Online booking forms are available on the school website. Please make all bookings by 1pm on Friday the week before and ensure payment has been made in **advance** via ParentPay or childcare vouchers activated. To make a booking click on the link below.

[CLICK HERE to book your child into CHILL](#)

And finally...

Weather permitting, on Friday 11th November it is Remembrance Day. At about 10.50am the children and staff will gather around the memorial stone in Weston to commemorate those who lost their lives in wars. Poems will be read aloud and a song sung to mark the occasion. Reverend Viv will lead the service. Families are warmly welcome to join the school.

The following Friday, 18th November, is Children In Need Day. It will be a non-uniform day and the children are invited to wear something **SPOTTY**. Maple Class have volunteered to bring cakes for a sale. Donations for the charity will be collected through ParentPay. Mr Hayward.

Pupils of the week...

Well done to Jessica, Emily, Bella, Holly, Peaches, Harry, Christina, James, Finley and Mark for being our pupils of the week. They have been brilliant at demonstrating one of our core values: Service.



Term Dates and Events for the Year 2022 - 2023

Autumn Term 2022

Friday 11 November	Remembrance Service 10.50am at Weston Memorial
Friday 18 November	Children in Need – Wear something SPOTTY
Friday 25 November	Weston Village Hall Christmas Fair – 7.00pm
Thursday 1 December	Governors meeting 6.00pm
Friday 2 December	School Christmas Fair 3.30pm – 5.00pm
Monday 5 December	School discos (Rec/KS1 in school time – KS2 3.30pm-5.00pm)
Wednesday 7 December	Christmas Wreath making for parents – STAA event – 7.00pm
Friday 9 December	Christmas pantomime in school
Tuesday 13 December	Willow and Oak Christmas Production 6.00pm
Wednesday 14 December	KS2 Christmas Carol Service in St Andrew's Church 1.30pm TBC
Thursday 15 December	Christmas dinner
Friday 16 December	School talent show

Term ends: Friday 16 December

Christmas Holiday: Monday 19 December – Monday 2 January

Spring Term 2023

Inset day: Tuesday 3 January

Term starts: Wednesday 4 January

Holiday: Monday 20 February – Friday 24 February

Term ends: Friday 31 March

Holiday: Monday 3 April – Friday 14 April

Easter Sunday: Sunday 9 April

Summer Term 2023

Term starts: Monday 17 April

May Day: Monday 1 May

Inset day: Friday 26 May

Holiday: Monday 29 May – Friday 2 June

Inset day: Monday 5 June

Wednesday 5 July New Reception children (September 2023) to visit all day

Wednesday 5 July Y6 pupils to visit Weston Road Academy

Friday 7 July Sports Day and Summer Fair

Term ends: Tuesday 25 July

Holiday: Wednesday 26 July – Friday 1 September

Term Dates Year 2023 - 2024

Autumn Term 2023

Inset day: Monday 4 September

Term starts: Tuesday 5 September

Holiday: Monday 30 October - Friday 3 November

Term ends: Friday 22 December

Holiday: Monday 25 December - Friday 5 January

Spring Term 2024

Term Starts: Monday 8 January

Holiday: Monday 12 February – Friday 16 February

Term Ends: Friday 22 March

Holiday: Monday 25 March – Friday 5 April

Easter Sunday: Sunday 31 March

Summer Term 2024

Term Starts: Monday 8 April

May Day: Monday 6 May

Holiday: Monday 27 May – Friday 31 May

Term Ends: Monday 22 July

Holiday: Tuesday 23 July – Friday 30 August