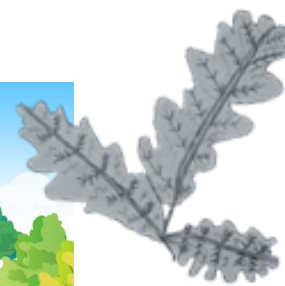




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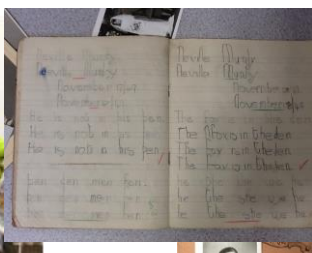


19th October 2018

I can hardly believe we have already reached half term! I am very pleased with the way the children have started the year. We have been talking lots about showing care for our school environment, each other and our learning. The quality of presentation in books is becoming a real strength and lots of children are being awarded gold stars in their books for high quality work. Over the holidays and the first week back, we will be putting up displays of the wonderful work your children have been doing. Thanks for all your support in this first half term and I hope you have a very enjoyable holiday.

Miss Purcell

Willow Memories Morning



Willow class had a great time exploring old photos, toys and other artefacts which their relatives had kept. We were amazed by the quality of the handwriting in a couple of exercise books which children's grandads had brought in! Top marks and thank you to all the grandparents who were able to come and make this event special.



Key Dates

October

Monday 29th Flu Immunisations

November

Monday 9th Rugby Remembrance Match (group from across Elm and Chestnut)

FIS Evening event 'A Parent's Night Out'

Tuesday 13th Willow and Maple trip to Morwellham Quay

Monday 19th Road Safety Week Assembly and workshop for Years 3 and 4

December

Monday 3rd Clive Pig (Storyteller) in Elm class- Ancient Greek Storytelling

Wednesday 5th Oak Christmas Production (afternoon and evening, times tbc)

Thursday 6th Apple Christmas Production (am)

Friday 7th FIS Christmas Fete (after school)

Monday 10th Singing group at Jubilee club

Week beginning 10th KS1 Production (days tbc)

Friday 14th Pupil Christmas Lunch

Tuesday 18th KS2 Carol Concert at St Ida's church 2-3pm (parents invited)

Friday 21st Last day of term

Chestnut CSI Workshop



We did chromatography to find out which pen was used to write the crime scene note. Maddie

We had to hold a jug for 6 seconds and then use aluminum dusters to bring up the fingerprints. SOCO means 'scene of crime officer' and they look for evidence and piece it together to work out what happened. Lily



Down on the Farm!

We have been embracing our rural setting and making the most of our links with West Town Farm. All the classes from Maple upwards went to the farm for a Harvest assembly. Each class performed a song, poem or facts about harvest and we finished by singing together 'The Harvest Samba' The Curate Helen Sherlock spoke to the pupils and made everyone think about how many food miles the food we eat has travelled.



Oak class went for a special day at the Farm themselves and had great fun chopping pumpkins to make pumpkin soup and learning about what happens on the farm at this time of year.



I am carrying a heavy pumpkin at the farm. It was fun because we got to see lots of dangerous things. You have to stay away from the barbed wire and electric fences. Joe

I'm drinking yummy soup out of a cup. It had spices in it but it wasn't too spicy. Alfie

Meanwhile, Chestnut visited the Farm-Wise event at Westpoint Arena.



My favourite part of Farm-Wise was holding the chicks. When they've started hatching, it takes about 5 or 6 hours for them to fully emerge. Alex



The chicks with brown heads will be brown when they are older and the ones with black spots will be black and white when they grow up. I was surprised to learn that quails lay up to 300 eggs a year! Olivia

Book Fair

There were an impressive range of books on sale at this year's book fair. Book sales raised a total of more than £600 and the school will be able to spend a percentage of this to buy new reading books for everyone to enjoy. Thanks to all of you who came.



Clubs

After half term, there will be clubs continuing and Miss Downing has sent a letter out with details of these. New or recently introduced clubs are languages, allotment, tag rugby and physical fun.

Nuts

We thank you for not bringing in any products containing nuts as we have a child in school with a severe nut allergy.

Have you lost a Bag?

A kind member of the public dropped off a Sports direct black bag containing several items of clothing including Ide school uniform. It was found by Marks and Spencers. If you think this may be yours, please contact the school office.

Apple Class (Pre-school) Requests

We will be having a fancy dress week during the first week back from the holidays. We would be grateful for a small donation when you arrive in your fancy dress and this will be used to buy equipment for Apple class.

Please could you bring in any cardboard tubes you may have in your recycling at home- they are really useful for craft activities in Apple Class.

