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Thursday 23rd October 2025

Nurture, Inspire, Achieve!

What a wonderful eight-week term it has been here at Wootton Wawen C of E Primary School. In line with our motto to **Nurture, Inspire, Achieve**, we have seen our community come alive in so many meaningful ways. We've opened our doors for open evenings, mornings and afternoons and welcomed prospective parents and children enthusiastically. Our SEND Coffee Morning was a moment of true fellowship and support. Families also joined us at our Thrive Parent Workshop, held by Mrs Ellard, which was an insightful, enjoyable moment of reflection as a group of parents. Our Forest Fun session for pre-schoolers brought laughter, play and new friendships, thanks to Mrs Coldicutt and Miss Bradshaw. Together with our friends at St. Peter's church, our children lifted their voices in the iSing Pop concerts and shone brightly in Celebration Worship — showing how deeply we value joy, faith and togetherness.

I feel so grateful to be part of this caring and spirited school family. The love and kindness I've witnessed – between children, staff, families and parish – are reflections of the Christian values that guide us: compassion, respect, gratitude and hope. Thank you for all you do to support our children to flourish. As we break for half-term, I pray that each one of you will enjoy a genuinely restful, peaceful and joy-filled week. May it be a time of refreshment for body, mind and spirit, and may you return with renewed energy and warmth ready to continue our journey together.

Miss Jones

Beech Hut Disco

A huge thank you to Miss Barnett and Mrs Hartwright for organising the recent Beech Hut Disco! It was a huge success with maximum capacity and each child having fun with their friends. Singing and dancing could be heard all round!



Bell Boating

We are very proud of our Sycamore class children who took part in Bell boating on the River Avon in Stratford. The children also competed in a Bell Boating Regatta against 9 other schools, placing 3rd in the competition. The children behaved beautifully and showed excellent sportsmanship.

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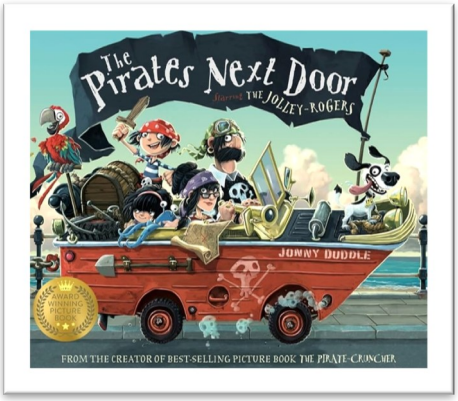
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Oak Class

Oak Class have had a fantastic first half term, settling into school life at Wootton, and have shown so much enthusiasm for learning. Our topic 'All About Me' has included thinking about our feelings and emotions through the story of 'The colour Monster', as well as finding out about our bodies and skeletons through the story of 'Funny bones'. We have rounded off this very busy half term by celebrating the festival of Diwali, learning about the exciting adventures of Rama and Sita and the ten-headed demon Ravana, as well as making decorated paper lanterns and sparkly Rangoli patterns.

Willow Class

In English, Willow Class have been busy learning through our exciting text *The Pirates Next Door*. We have been focusing on sentence structure and using adjectives in our writing to create detailed character and setting descriptions. In Maths, we have been strengthening our understanding of place value and securing our knowledge of number. Our topic work has taken us on an adventure with the theme of explorers — we've learned about the continents, compass points, and the famous explorer Christopher Columbus. In Science, we have been exploring the seasons and enjoyed spotting the signs of Autumn during our Forest School sessions.





What a busy half term we have had!

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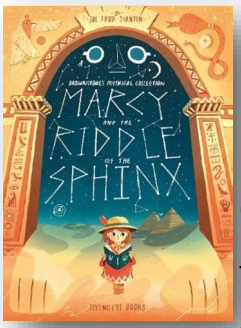
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Stars of the Week!

For: Positive attitude and behaviour on 17.10.25: Ava, Nyla, Pierre, Isaac, Harley, Laurie, Arnon, Lyssia and Ebe.

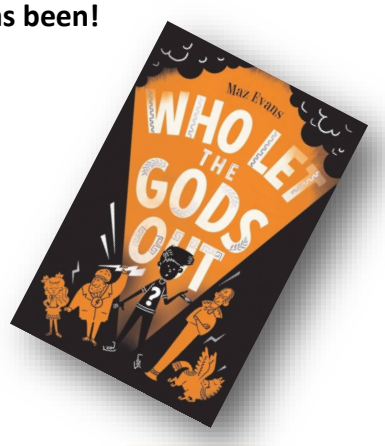
For: Teacher's Choice on 23.10.25: Hannah, Sophie, Dan, Ella, Nicholas, All of Oak class, Zuri, Chloe and All of Sycamore!



Chestnut class

This half term has been absolutely fantastic! We kicked off our topic in style with a thrilling acting and practical workshop that took our young explorers back to the time of the ancient Egyptians. The children were captivated as they discovered how the renowned archaeologist, Howard Carter, unearthed the tomb of Tutankhamun and the remarkable treasures it held. We delved into a world of artefacts, exploring their significance and the stories they tell. The highlight of the workshop was undoubtedly when we dramatically acted out the mummification process! In a delightfully engaging and characterful manner, the children learned about the removal of organs and the fascinating purpose of the canopic jars. They were so excited to find out what went into them! We have been using the story of Marcy and the Riddle of the Sphinx to enhance our knowledge and understanding too.

It was truly a joy to see the children's enthusiasm and creativity shine through as they immersed themselves in the rich history of ancient Egypt. What an incredible half term it has been!



Sycamore class

Sycamore Class have had a fantastic start to the term and have been busy learning across a range of exciting topics! In Computing, we have explored the importance of online safety, learning how to recognise false information and stay safe online, as well as beginning to understand how the internet and the World Wide Web work. In History, the children have been captivated by Ancient Greece — producing fantastic non-chronological reports on the gods and goddesses, and comparing the very different ways of life in the city-states of Athens and Sparta. In English, the class have impressed us with their incredible narrative writing inspired by *Who Let the Gods Out* by Maz Evans, us-

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Forest Fun for all!

Our Forest Fun sessions was a real success and luckily, the rain kept away whilst pre-schoolers and Nursery children enjoyed our beautiful outdoor Forest School space. Thanks to these fabulous creations by Mrs Coldicutt, the children could let their imaginations run wild and explore the area, whilst getting to know the school environment and school staff. **Our next session is a Christmas Special, being held on Monday 1st December from 1:30pm—2:30pm.** Please let the office know if you'd like to join us; feel free to share this with friends and families with younger children.







Willow Class Forest School sessions

Willow class have had lots of fun exploring and experimenting in forest school this half term. From testing out the new tree swing (thank you Mr Baker!) to making potions with conkers. No bug has had a safe hiding place from these nature detectives! We wrapped up our sessions by having a campfire and toasting marshmallows to make delicious (and huge!) smores. Thank you to Mrs Baker for your support. What a great start to our Forest School year!

Next term—Sycamore class begin Forest School and you should have received a letter for your child. If you haven't please let Mrs Agar know.





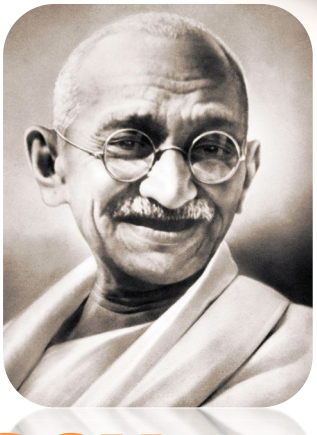


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This term in our Courageous Advocacy worship, we have been learning about **Mahatma Gandhi**, our courageous advocate for peace. The children have explored his incredible life and the power of his peaceful protests, which changed the world forever. Together, we have reflected on some of Gandhi's most famous quotes and discussed what they teach us about how to live our lives peacefully and with kindness. We also looked at well-known peacemakers in the Bible, including the story of **Isaac and the wells**, and considered how these examples inspire us to resolve conflicts calmly and with compassion. At home, the children have been busy creating **fantastic posters** inspired by Gandhi's powerful message, *"Be the change you wish to see in the world."* We are looking forward to displaying these around school very soon, with the winning designs being shared on our social media pages, the school website and in the parish magazine.



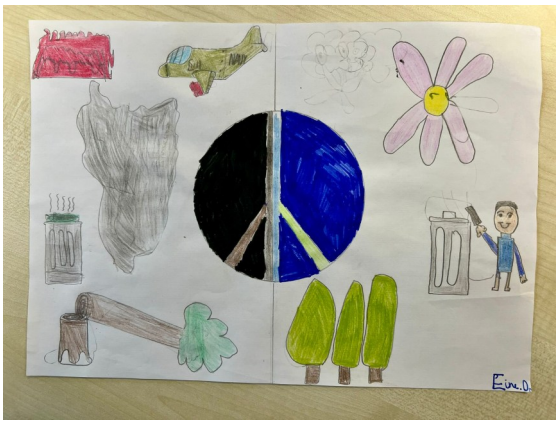
Courageous Advocacy



This week's Courageous Advocate is Sophie. Awarded for consistently demonstrating our school value of **peace**. She is always calm and kind, helping to resolve disagreements fairly and making sure everyone feels included in games and group work.

Be a Peacemaker—House Challenge!

An enormous thank you and well done to each of the children who took part in this term's House Challenge. Each child who took part earnt themselves a House Point and the decision making really took it's toll on us! It felt almost impossible to choose the winners from each house. However, after much deliberation, the results are as follows:



- Falcons: 1st— Eine, 2nd—Raffi
- Buzzards: 1st— Arya, 2nd—Dan, 3rd—Thea
- Hawks: 1st — Nyla, 2nd— Bella , 3rd—Zuri
- Kites: 1st —Rosa, 2nd—Parker, 3rd—Oscar and Edward
- Overall winner for effort and thoughtfulness: Eine (20 house points awarded)

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Diary dates

	Half-term
03.11.25	Return to school
07.11.25	Whole-school worship at St. Peter's Church – Remembrance – 9:30am - **all parents and family invited**
10.11.25	Anti-bullying Week – Power for Good & Inter-faith week—more information to come
18.11.25	Open morning for prospective parents – 9:15 – 10:30am *Please share this information with close family and friends*
19.11.25	Health Needs Assessment for Year 6 Height and Weight checks – Reception (Oak) and Year 6
19.11.25	Open evening for prospective parents – 4:30 – 6:30pm *Please share this information with close family and friends*
21.11.25	Open afternoon for prospective parents – 1: 30 – 3pm *Please share this information with close family and friends*
28.11.25	9—10:30am—SEND Coffee morning—**all parents and families invited**: please confirm your attendance with the office
28.11.25	Vision Screening—Oak class
01.12.25	SEND Learning Plans sent home Forest Fun Christmas Special—1:30pm—2:30pm—**all nursery and pre-school children invited:** please confirm attendance with the office
04.12.25	9:30am—Rock Steady Concert
09.12.25	2:30pm—EYFS & Key Stage 1 Christmas Production—*ticket information will be sent out nearer the date*
10.12.25	2:30pm—EYFS & Key Stage 1 Christmas Production—*ticket information will be sent out nearer the date*
11.12.25	Oak Class visit to Hatton Country World
12.12.25	FOWS Christmas Fayre—SAVE THE DATE!