

St. Mary's (Endowed) Church of England
VA Primary School



Friday 10th May

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all enjoyed the Bank Holiday weekend and some sunshine. Although it has only been a four day week, it has certainly felt like a busy one.

As Year 6 parents will know, next week is SATs week. We know that the children have worked really hard to be ready and prepared and will try their best. As always we will ensure that the tests are as low-key as possible and support the children every step of the way. SATs are a test of us as a school and not the children. Make sure you take plenty of time this weekend to rest, relax and do lots of your favourite things. This video is a good watch as a reminder that 'you are more than a score' <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ct9ynLq-vkl>

Have a lovely weekend,

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Mrs L. Watts - Executive Headteacher

This week in class...

Ash Class - This week In Ash Class we have been having a lot of fun and learning lots in maths using 'Rekenreks'. We have been continuing our exploration of Noah's Ark and conducted a sink or float investigation in our outdoor learning area. We have also been retelling the story with our outdoor animal toys and floating ship. On Thursday we met some chicks in Elm class and even got to stroke them!

Elm Class - Elm Class started a new multi-faith RE enquiry this week about the creation of the universe . We talked about what the word universe means, and discovered that planet earth is part of the universe. We then went for a walk around the school grounds to explore the world around us. On Thursday we had very special visitors today. Seven newborn baby chicks joined us for the 'birds' section of our learning in Science. Using magnifying glasses, we closely observed their special features, in particular, their beaks, claws and feathers. The children even designed their own birds using their knowledge notes to check new vocabulary.

Beech Class - In Beech this week we have been creating mini-beasts. This work was inspired by the sculptures of Louise Bourgeois. In ICT we have been looking at branching databases and thinking about asking yes/no questions.

Oak Class - This week in Oak we have been putting the finishing touches to our biographies which has involved a lot of proofreading and editing of our writing. In History, we made comparisons between the Anglo Saxons and the Maya. Some of us thought that the Maya's were comparatively civilised and we talked about why that would be. We are enjoying our story, The Explorer and have discussed what it would be like to be stranded in the middle of the Amazon jungle. We have really enjoyed the good weather!

Save the date - On Thursday 23rd of May at 9am we will be holding a short workshop on Relationships, Health and Sex Education. Come along to find out what the children will learn in their RSE sessions next half-term. A great opportunity to see some of the resources and ask any questions.

Day	Clubs	Leader
Monday	Lego	Sam Rose and Emily Lond-Caulk
Tuesday	Creativity and Team Games	Active Education
Wednesday	Netball	Sarah Lynes and Bethany Lewis
Thursday	Creativity and Team Games	Active Education
Friday	Ultimate Frisbee	Active Education

Attendance this week

Ash - 93.33%

Elm - 93.81%

Beech & Willow - 90.1%

Oak - 98.26%

Whole School - 93.42%

PE & Woodland Learning

Monday - Swimming for Oak class

Tuesday - PE for Ash and Beech

Wednesday Woodland Learning for Ash, Elm and Willow

Thursday - PE for Willow

Friday - PE for Elm, Beech and Oak



Jigsaw awards this week go to...

Willow Po, Lilly, Charlie A, Jensen, Dylan, Ralph, Pixie, Alastor, Alex

Smarties this week go to...

Cawlie, Charlie R, William, George R, Joshua, Angelique



Silver awards this week go to...

Bailey, Millie, Elvie

Gold awards this week go to...

George A, Bentley



Dates for your Diary

Monday 13th May - Thursday 16th May - SATs week for Year 6

Wednesday 22nd May - Kwik Cricket tournament for Y4/5/6 @ Happisburgh, details to follow

Thursday 23rd May - RSHE workshop for parents @ 9am

Friday 24th May - End of term

Monday 3rd June - Back to school

26th - 28th June - Aylsham High and Cromer Academy induction days for Y6

Tuesday 2nd July - Y6 trip to the cathedral

Friday 5th July - Sports Day

Friday 19th July - End of term