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Headteacher update

We were lucky enough to have the NSPCC come into school this week to deliver the **"Speak out, stay safe"** programme workshops to children in years 2, 5 and 6.
The children found out how to recognise abuse and neglect, understand their right to be safe and teaches them to speak out to a trusted adult or Childline if they are worried.
Buddy the mascot made a special appearance and helped the children to learn the number for Childline 0800 111.

Today, we had the opportunity to watch the children in Hawthorn class perform their class assembly about WW2. The children were so respectful and brought their topic about conflict to life in a thought-provoking way. I was so proud of how well the children had learned their lines (and had to fill in for children who were absent) and my thanks go to Miss Taplin and Mrs Slack for helping the children to produce such a great assembly. Really well done everyone.

This week I have been interviewing for a new teaching assistant to work in Chestnut and Oak classes. I am delighted to welcome Mrs Nicola Pidgeon to our school. She has a huge amount of experience and will be hopefully leading some forest school provision for us as part of her new role. She will be joining us in January and can't wait to get cracking!



Just a reminder that on Monday we will be heading to the pantomime "Dick Whittington" at Loughborough Town Hall. Children need to be in school uniform and can bring a few sweets with them to enjoy at the interval. We should be back at school around 4.30-4.45pm and will message on Dojo once we have set off to give you a clearer idea of when we will be back.

The DFE have sent out some guidance to all schools as attendance has been marred by illness. We are advising the children to wash hands regularly, use tissues and we are ventilating our classrooms to try keep germs at bay.

Please do watch this short video that has been shared by the NHS around knowing if your child is well enough to come to school. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_i5KxggkPTw

I'm also attaching a poster from the NHS "Is my child too ill for school" which has practical advice for worried parents.

Have a great weekend.

Kind regards

V. White

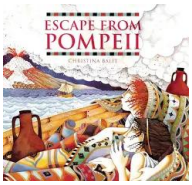
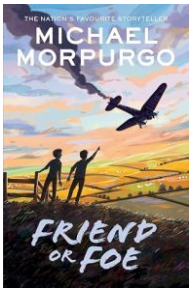
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Willow 	This week in Willow, the children have been busy practising for both our Willow Class and whole-school nativity performances, and we have been working hard to learn our lines, songs and actions. In phonics, we have learnt lots of new digraphs and have been putting our knowledge into practice by using them in our writing. In maths, we have brought our learning about the composition of 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 to a close, exploring the different ways we can make these numbers. In SCARF, we have been thinking about the world around us and how we can help to look after it. What a busy and exciting week we have had in Willow!
Chestnut 	This week we have welcomed a new teacher to join us in Chestnut Class. Miss Khukh has already got to know everybody and Chestnut children have impressed us with their aspirational attitudes towards their new learning. In English we studied acrostic poems before the children wrote their own working in pairs. They were able to gather descriptive vocabulary from across our different topics and chose their words sensitively. We have also had lots of fun beginning our Nativity rehearsals. We have been exploring the different roles and practising using lots of expression, as well as learning the Makaton signs for the songs.
Oak 	Oak Class have had another fantastic week of learning! In English, we have begun writing our own innovated narratives inspired by the text *Escape from Pompeii*, using our imaginations to create exciting stories of our own. In Maths, we have been developing our multiplication and division skills, tackling calculations involving three numbers and learning our 8 times tables. In Science, we have been classifying different animal species using classification keys and exploring how scientists identify and group living things. In Music, we have enjoyed creating our own musical motifs using the glockenspiels, experimenting with different notes and patterns. We have also been exploring archaeological sites and discovering what they can tell us about life in Roman Britain.
Hawthorn 	What a fabulous week the children in Hawthorn have had. They have thoroughly enjoyed listening to our class text, *Friend or Foe*, and exploring some of the big moral questions within the story. In English, they took part in a fantastic conscience alley activity, considering different viewpoints and debating whether Tucky and David should help the two German airmen whose plane has crashed near their home. They then used their ideas to write some thoughtful and persuasive arguments. In science, they have been learning all about the planets and created their very own Top Trumps cards, showcasing their knowledge of the solar system. In art, they produced some wonderful Blitz skyline artwork, creating fantastic silhouettes inspired by the Second World War. They finished the week on a real high with an incredible assembly all about WW2. The children did a brilliant job and I am so proud of them!

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Celebrations and successes!

STAR assembly **S - Sensational effort** **T - Teriffic teamwork** **A - Achievement** **R – Remarkable reasoning/ Remarkable writing**	**S**	**Thomas – Willow** **Harry - Hawthorn**
	T	**Lincoln - Oak**
	A	**Samuel - Chestnut**
	R	
Class Recognition awards 	**Willow**	**Skye - Aspiration**
	Chestnut	**Isabella - Respect**
	Oak	**Isla - Respect**
	Hawthorn	**Lillie - Aspiration**
Headteacher award 	This week, **Bethany** has really shone. She is always so polite and tries her best and she has been spotted being really thoughtful in class. Really well done Bethany. You really are such a wonderful role model for the other children.	
Top Table 	Today, **Billy, Rupert, Stella, Ivy, Isla, Eliza, Harry and Albi** all had lunch on the top table. Well done.	

Diary dates

30/11/2026	PM – Whole school trip to Loughborough Pantomime
30/11/2026	Full Governors meeting 5.30pm
1/12/2026	Christmas theme day
3/12/2026	Nottinghamshire Primary Dodgeball championships (invitation only)
3/12/2026	9.30am - Willow class Nativity St Marys Church
4/12/2026	Oak class Jingle Jog (further details to follow)
9/12/2026	KS2 Cross country championships Rushcliffe Park (invitation only)
10/12/2026	4.00-5.30pm – Year 3 /4 Sports hall athletics (invitation only)
11/12/2026	FOBS Christmas Film night (further info to follow)
15/12/2026	6pm –Nativity at St Marys church
16/12/2026	9.30am - Nativity at St Marys church
16/12/2026	Christmas dinner
16/12/2026	PM - Grandpa Sticks storyteller in school
16/12/2026	5.30pm – Carols by Candlelight at St Marys Church (all welcome)
17/12/2026	Christmas party day
18/12/2026	Finish for Christmas Holidays