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### **Headteacher update**

This week has been another busy one in our little school!



On Monday, we had our interim visit from our Well-being Award for Schools advisor – Angie Moore. She was very thorough and went through all the evidence we have collected and pulled together so far. She was very pleased with the progress we've made so far.

She looked at the school environment including displays, looked at lots of pupil and parent voice, observed playtimes, talked to some children and the Well-being champions and looked at lots of children's work including the work from our SCARF PSHE lessons. It was a really good meeting and we are just waiting for our interim report to come through with the last few actions to complete. We will need to complete a further piece of pupil, parent and staff voice as one of our final actions, so I will send the links shortly.

On Tuesday the teachers all went to Jesse Gray Primary School for a joint Rushcliffe Maintained Schools Alliance (RMSA) writing moderation exercise. All children had been set a specific task and the teachers took the work to compare across the schools and agree judgements about the quality of the writing. There were over 90 teachers present and it was a really useful exercise. Again, our teachers showed that their judgements were accurate and our children are performing well.

Our boy's football team have had a busy week with a match v Cotgrave C of E after school on Wednesday. They did really well with a 1-1 result and a cracking goal from Lewis. On Thursday they took part in the Rushcliffe Primary Schools Spring tournament at Platt Lane. We were in Group 1 with Carnarvon, Tollerton, Edwalton and Lady Bay Schools. The boys once again played with passion and showed tenacity and resilience. We didn't manage to get through the group, but kept some very big schools at bay and didn't let many goals in!

Today I have taken a group of 4 children to a Boccia and curling festival at Nottingham Trent University. I was so impressed with how the boys listened carefully to the instructions, played respectfully with other schools and really tried hard to develop their skills. They really enjoyed themselves and have asked for a boccia set to play outside with at playtimes! What a great idea. Well done.

Just a reminder that next week, Oak class will be heading off to Hagg farm on their residential. They will be accompanied by Mrs Waterman, Mrs Slack and Miss Barrowcliffe. Fingers crossed the weather stays as lovely as it's been today! I will be teaching in Willow class to cover Miss Barrowcliffe next week, so it may be someone else on the gate on a morning and after school.

Have a great weekend.

Kind regards

*V. White*

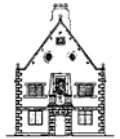
Victoria White, Head Teacher

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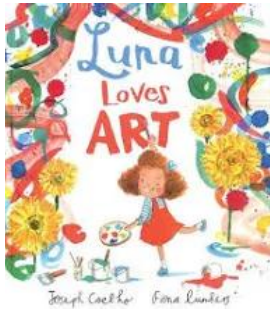
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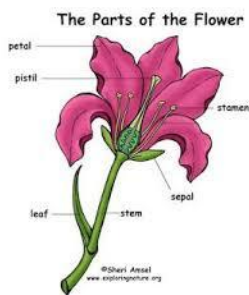
### **Willow Class**



We have had a fantastic week in Willow. We have come to the end of our literacy unit of "Luna Loves arts". We had the pleasure of joining a webinar run by the author of Letters to Monster. In maths we have been exploring the composition of 20. Nursery focused on learning the sequence of songs and stories.

In scarf, the reception children thought about being kind to friends and other children. Nursery learned about why, when and how to wash our hands correctly. The children have done some fantastic box modelling in continuous provision. We also said goodbye to Franki who has completed her work experience. She was fabulous and ran a very fun painting activity.

### **Chestnut Class**



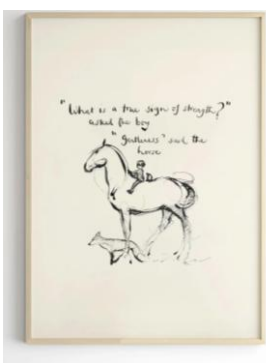
Chestnut Class have enjoyed learning and playing outside in the sunshine this week. In Maths, both Year 1 and Year 2 pupils have been using natural objects outdoors to support their learning about multiplication and fractions. In our science learning, the children have continued observing plants, identifying and labelling the parts of flowering plants, and learning to recognise deciduous and evergreen trees around our school grounds. We have also been checking the school garden regularly, looking closely for signs of growth in the seeds we planted. On Tuesday, we welcomed a visitor to our RE lesson, who the children interviewed with great thoughtfulness. Everyone listened intently to Sara's stories about forgiveness, involving Lego and a brand new Forest scarf – and Sara said she was genuinely taken aback by the depth of their questions! We also had some great feedback from our athletics coach, Nathan, who said that the whole class was fantastic this week. Well done.

### **Oak Class**



This week, Oak Class have been working hard across the curriculum. In Maths, the children have been learning to tell the time to the nearest 5 minutes and applying this skill in practical activities. In English, they have been exploring past and future tenses, using them in their writing to describe events that have already happened and those that are yet to come. In Music, the class enjoyed creating rhythms using body percussion, developing their sense of timing and coordination. In PE, pupils have been practising dance, focusing on movement, balance and expressing themselves through routines. In Art, they have been looking at different ways that they can join materials together to begin to create sculptures. We are very excited for our trip to Hagg Farm next week, fingers crossed for sunshine!

### **Hawthorn Class**



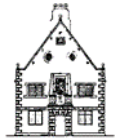
This week in Hawthorn, the children began an exciting new enquiry centred around the question: *How does art have the power to change the way we see the world?* As part of their exploration, the children studied the distinctive work of illustrator and author Charlie Mackesy, focusing on how he conveys movement and deep emotion through the simplicity of line. They observed how variations in thick and thin lines can suggest energy, mood, and expression, before applying these techniques in their own "memory drawings." In mathematics, the focus has been on converting measures. The children have been developing their understanding of different units, practising how to convert between them accurately and efficiently. In RE, they engaged in thoughtful reflection on how the Five Pillars of Islam influence the daily lives of Muslims living in Britain today.

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### Celebrations and successes!

 <p><b>STAR assembly</b></p> <p>S - Sensational effort T - Terrific teamwork A - Achievement R – Remarkable reasoning/ Remarkable writing</p>	<b>S</b>	Florence – Willow Evie – Oak Aiden- Hawthorn
	<b>T</b>	
	<b>A</b>	George - Chestnut
	<b>R</b>	
<p><b>Class Recognition Award</b></p> 	<b>Willow</b>	Tilly – Love and Kindness
	<b>Chestnut</b>	Billy - Love
	<b>Oak</b>	Charlotte - Love
	<b>Hawthorn</b>	Isla - Aspiration
<p><b>Headteachers award</b></p> 	<p>This week I have been asked by the swimming teachers at Keyworth Leisure centre if I can give my Headteacher award to not 1, but 3 children! Congratulations to <b>Edward, Rogan and Karson!</b> They have been impressed by how much progress the boys have made in such a short time and have been so pleased with how brave and resilient they have been trying their best to swim further and further each week. Well done.</p>	
<p><b>Top Table lunchtime award</b></p> 	<p>This week <b>Annalise, Florence, Joshua, Milo, Jackson, Lincoln, Oliver H and Matilda</b> have all been chosen to be on the top table. Well done all of you.</p>	

### New diary date added! Sir David Attenborough day – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2026



As part of our Global neighbour's work, the staff are very keen to celebrate Sir David Attenborough on his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. We will be having a special day in school to look at his life and the conservation work he has undertaken that has had a huge global impact.

The staff have already started thinking about their explorer outfits for the day (mainly lots of khaki) and have asked if children would like to also come to school dressed as an explorer too.

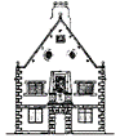
We will be also planting a special tree in the school grounds in his honour.

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### **Summer term diary dates**

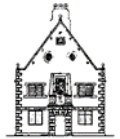
<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>	Boy's football match v Cotgrave C of E (away)
<b>Wed 29<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>	Oak class to Hagg Farm
<b>Fri 1<sup>st</sup> May</b>	Oak class return from Hagg farm
<b>Mon 4<sup>th</sup> May</b>	May Day Bank Holiday – school closed
<b>Wed 6<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Pupil leaders of Collective worship training at Southwell Minster – Invitation only
	Oak class Top link Festival South Wolds Academy
	Author visit – Bemma Akyeampong, for Willow class
	Girls football match v Costock (away)
<b>Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Coram Life Education workshops in school all day
<b>Fri 8<sup>th</sup> May</b>	9.30-10.30- Nursery Open morning for prospective new parents
	Sir David Attenborough celebration day!
	Launch assembly for RMSA STEM challenge – further details to follow
<b>Mon 11<sup>th</sup> May</b>	SATS week for Year 6
	Full Governors
<b>Wed 13<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Bikeability – Year 5 (10 riders)
	Swimming starts for Oak class
<b>Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Bikeability – Year 5 (10 riders)
	Bishop Paul in school – 2.45pm Collective worship in church – All invited
<b>Fri 15<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Bikeability – Year 5 (5 riders)
<b>Wed 20<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Boy's football match v Brookside(away)
<b>Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> May</b>	Oak Class assembly – 9.10am – Parents invited
	Last day of term
<b>Mon 1<sup>st</sup> June</b>	<b>INSET DAY – School closed</b>
<b>Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	Screenwise workshops for Year 4 and 5
<b>Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> June</b>	Screenwise parent workshop – 5.30pm at school
<b>Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> June</b>	4front theatre production at St Marys church
<b>Fri 5<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Midlands Primary Schools Dodgeball finals at NTU – Invitation only
<b>Wed 10<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Sports day – 1.15pm on the school field – All invited!
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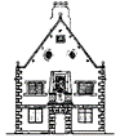
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Tues 16 <sup>th</sup> June	KS2 Swimming gala for Oak and Hawthorn classes – 1.15-3.15 Keyworth Leisure centre
Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup> June	9.30-10.30am - Willow class "Stay and Play" for new children to school Sept 2026
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> June	FOBS Father's Day sale – 8.30am – Discovery Den
	Chestnut Class assembly – 9.10am – Parents invited
	"Ignite minds" presentation at Notts County FC – Invitation only from Hawthorn class – further info nearer the time
Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Piano assembly 2.45pm – Parents invited
	Full Governors
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup> June	South Wolds transition day for year 6
Thurs 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception children to Nottingham Trent University for Mini Olympics! – further details nearer the time
	South Wolds transition day for year 6
Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> June	Deadline for RMSA STEM challenge entries
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Willow class craft morning for Grandparents – further information nearer the time
	Bunny Bash – Timings TBC
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Drumming assembly 2.45pm – Parents invited
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> July	9.30-10.30am - Willow class "Stay and Play" for new children to school Sept 2026
	"Nottalone Live" Mental Health workshops - Invitation only
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup> July	6pm - KS2 production at St Mary's church
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> July	9.30am - KS2 production at St Mary's church
	RMSA STEM challenge finals at Jesse Grey Primary School 1.00pm

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>Mon 20<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Family picnic/ outdoor concert/ art gallery – from 12.00pm – further details nearer the time
<b>Tues 21<sup>st</sup> July</b>	Whole school trip to Twycross zoo
<b>Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	Last swimming for Oak class
<b>Fri 24<sup>th</sup> July</b>	FOBS – Colour run 2.00pm
	<b>Break up for the summer holidays!</b>

*Please note the change of date for the boy's football match which is now 27<sup>th</sup> April and NOT 29<sup>th</sup> April which I'd put on the original diary dates. Apologies.*