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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We have had a truly wonderful few weeks here at school! It has been such a pleasure to see the children harvesting vegetables from our growing beds, there is nothing quite like the joy on their faces as they pull up carrots or pick the last of the potatoes.

Our clubs are also thriving, with children taking part in a wide range of activities. From sports to creative gatherings, the enthusiasm and energy they bring each week is brilliant to see.

A special well done goes to the pupils who took part in the recent cross-country event. You represented our school beautifully, we are very proud of your efforts and determination.

As we move further into Autumn, we are enjoying watching the colours change around the school grounds-golden leaves, crisp mornings, and that unmistakable autumn sparkle in the air. It's a lovely reminder of the season ahead and all the exciting learning opportunities it brings.

Thank you always for your continued support.

Best wishes

L Crowe

Head Teacher



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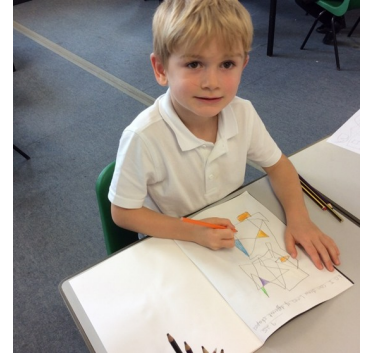
Elm Class

This week in Elm Class, we have been exploring the seasons, particularly Autumn. We have been exploring our outdoor area and spotting signs of Autumn. We have looked at how the leaves change colour during Autumn and what the animals are doing in preparation for Winter. As part of PSHE learning this week, we each shared an object that is special to us. We listened carefully to our friends and asked each other questions about our special objects.



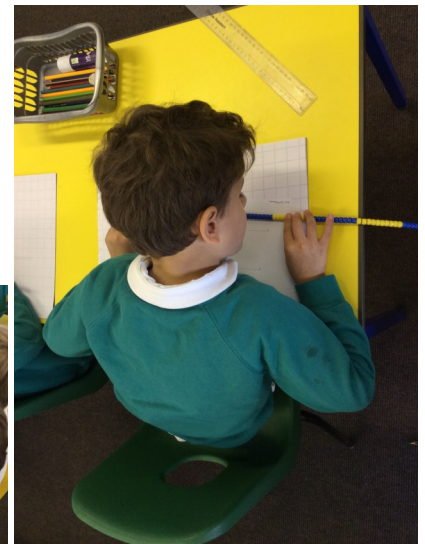
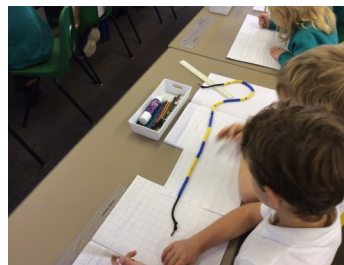
Maple Class

Our maths lessons in Year One have focussed on the numbers zero to twenty. We have written addition calculations and have been counting forwards and backwards to twenty. Our geography topic this half term is all about maps and we have drawn our own map of a farm and drawn our own key. In art, we have been studying the work of the artist Paul Klee and the children have designed their own line drawings and added colour to them.



Beech Class

Year 2 have had another great week. In English, we have been reading the story of 'The Disgusting Sandwich' and we have thoroughly enjoyed thinking up all of the disgusting things that might happen to a sandwich of our own invention! In maths, we have been partitioning numbers and using the bead strings to estimate measurements of length. In our RE lessons, we have been thinking about the Torah Scroll and learning about Shabbat and what it means to Jewish people. We have had the skipping ropes out in our PE lessons and enjoyed some success in learning to skip as well as realising how tiring it can be! In our geography lessons, we have been identifying the continents and oceans on a world map and starting to think about the human and physical features on a map of Wiveliscombe.



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Willow Class

This week in Willow we have been exploring addition and subtraction in maths. In English, we have learned about our own setting descriptions. In topic, we have continued to learn about trading, we even identified where some of our food comes from. In art this week, we have been looking at collage and the range of techniques we can use to create different effects. We experimented with layering, overlapping and coiling. In coming weeks, we will be using these techniques to make our own collages of animals and selecting the best method to recreate fur, feathers or even scales.



Larch Class

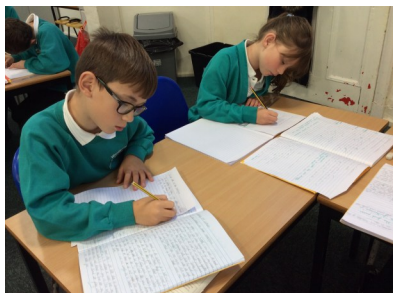
In English this week, we constructed colourful character descriptions based on those from the BFG. We then turned these lovely descriptions into artwork, so that we could see our creations visually. In art, we looked at additional ways to create Indian Folk art, and last week we practised weaving. In science, we have explored the states of matter and how we interact with them in every day life, including testing the viscosity liquids we all use regularly.



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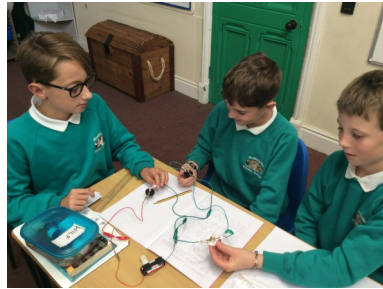
Chestnut Class

We have been working exceptionally hard on our writing, using fronted adverbials and descriptive language. During maths lessons, we have rounded and calculated with decimals using known facts and strategies. In science, we have investigated which materials insulate the best using frozen ice lollies and ice cubes. We have continued to experiment with water colours in art and analyse William Turner. We are greatly improving our reading recently: Our fluency is increasing, along with



Hazel Class

In music this week, we have learnt the South African song 'Throw, catch' and focused on moving our bodies in time with the music. In science, we have continued looking at circuits and investigated what would happen if we tried to light up more than one bulb in a circuit. We also learnt how a light bulb works and what components it needs in order to light up. In geography, we have been looking at topographic maps as well as maps that show us plate tectonics and seismic hazards to investigate geographical physical features of North America and analyse how this impacts its human geography. In PE, we have continued working on our ball skills and in particular our reaction times when catching a ball. We are enjoying our class book 'Goldfish boy' and in English, we have written a diary in role as the main character, ensuring that we added parenthesis into our writing.



Clubs

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Art Club KS2 Miss Bernard 3.15-4.15	Dodgeball KS2 Mr Ashworth 3.15-4.15	Singing Club Year 4, 5 and 6 Mrs Chesterfield 3.15-4.15
Craft Club Year 1 and 2 Miss Constance 3.15-4.15	Netball Year 4, 5 and 6 Miss Hellier 3.15-4.15	Film Club Years 1 and 2 Mrs Davies 3.15-4.15
T1 Rugby Club Year 5 and 6 Mrs Topps 3:15-4:15	Football KS2 Exeter City 3:15-4:30	Gardening Club Years 4 and 5 Mrs Hansen 3.15-4.15

Forest School

Reception enjoyed their first 2 sessions at Forest School . They have been on a Gruffalo hunt to explore the deep dark woods in our school grounds. Last week they explored the Autumn leaves and made leaf crowns using all the different leaves they found around our forest school.



All the children in KS1 and 2 have been naming the different trees we have in our Forest School by identifying the different leaves. Year 1 did leaf rubbings, Year 2 created leaf faces, Year 3 made leaf masks and leaf animals, Year 5 and 6 got to play Tree Top Trumps and tried to match leaves to images of the trees they came from.

Last week all of KS1 and KS2 were involved in harvesting the potatoes we had grown, washing the potatoes and carrots, chopping the vegetables and clearing the vegetable beds. Some of the classes also built a fire to cook the vegetables that had been prepared.

Please remember on Forest school day to send your children in appropriate clothing and a coat that is likely to get wet and muddy along with wellies or strong footwear.



Attendance

The Attendance Certificate for the week beginning 19/09/2025 goes to Beech Class scoring **99.7 %**

The Attendance Certificate for the week beginning 22/09/2025 goes to Chestnut Class scoring **98.7%**

Well done Beech and Chestnut!



Crossing Patrol

We are hugely fortunate to have Crossing Patrol outside of our school at drop off and pick up times. To make best use of this please note the following:

- When you come to the crossing point, please wait on the pavement until Mrs Smy has stopped the traffic and signals you to walk into the road.
- Make sure you always walk in front of her. She cannot protect you if she cannot see you or you are too far away.
- Remember to always walk sensibly across the road, including with your scooter or bike if you have one. Thank you for taking these steps to improve yours and others safety.

To parents parking outside of school at drop off and collection, please do not park on the zig zag lines. This was brought to our attention by the Highways officer that inspects our crossing patrol ladies. She reported that it is dangerous crossing the children with cars parking in restricted places.

Safeguarding

If you are concerned that a child or young person is being harmed, neglected or is at risk, please speak to Mrs Crowe who is our designated safeguard lead. Alternatively, you can call Somerset Children's Social Care on 0300 123 2224 or childrens@somerset.gov.uk

We have a strict 'No Dogs' policy on the school grounds.

Please can we ask parents not to turn or park in the staff/visitors car park at the beginning or at the end of the day. Our children move through this area.

2nd Oct—Year 6 Open Evening Kingsmead
 3rd Oct—Year 3 Multisports Festival Kingsmead
 6th-10th—Oct Wear It Yellow
 7th Oct—Harvest Service Pupils Only
 15th Oct—Year 6 Magistrate Visit
 17th Oct—Year 2 Multi Sports Festival
 21st Oct—Parents' Evening from 3:30pm
 22nd Oct—New Parent Group Tour 9.30am
 23rd Oct—Parents' Evening from 3:30pm
 23rd Oct—Flu Vaccinations

Road Safety

Please can you ensure that your children know how to cross the road safely whilst they are walking home. We have heard from the general public that some children are not crossing in safe places and not looking properly. The Somerset Road Safety website offers some advice and activity sheets.

<https://someretroadsafety.org/kids-activity-sheets/>

Cross-Country

Monday 22nd September 5 Year 3 pupils attended the Cross-country at Kings College. Eric, Jake, Quinny, Finley and Megan all represented Wiveliscombe Primary School with great determination and perseverance.



Remembrance Dates

Sat 25th October a.m Poppy Appeal Launch. Town Square

Sun 9th November Remembrance Parade Wiveliscombe Square. Service at St Andrew's

Tues 11th November Remembrance Event at Wiveliscombe Square then at the memorial monument in the Rec.

