



Headteacher Awards

Acorns Violet
Maple Nicole
Willow Calum
Oak Myla

Pride Award

Acorns Alan
Maple Remy
Willow Logan
Oak Darcie

House Points

Lygon 524 Russell 535
Morris 537 Eadburgha 527

Attendance this week

Acorns 90.5%
Maple 84%
Willow 91.5%
Oak 97.6%

National Target is 96%+

Message from Mr Poultney:

Christmas is fast approaching and the last week in school has plenty going on. Please make sure you read the last page which has more details.

We are putting the final touches to our nativity and will be hoping to share the link for you to view this early next week.

You will already be aware that school will close early at 2pm on Friday. To try and involve you in our celebrations, we would like to invite you to our playground for a 1.20pm start where we shall sing some of our favourite Christmas carols. We shall also be saying goodbye to Mrs Taylor who is retiring following more than two decades of service at our school.

This week saw our school take part in Broadway's advent calendar. We were given the responsibility and Mrs Dudfield and her helpers excelled. If you haven't seen it yet then have a look once darkness falls. You can also walk around Broadway to find the other days.



Don't forget Tuesday 4th January is a TE Day

School closed to children

All school lunches need to be ordered online for Spring Term 1.

Oak

This week in Science, we have been looking at how important calcium is to keep our bones healthy and strong. We conducted an experiment to see what would happen if bones were kept in vinegar for a week. In Maths, we have been working out the area of rectilinear shapes.



Willow

This week, we have been learning about the Nativity with Ms Dudfield in our RE lessons and had lots of fun creating a 3D scene of Jesus' birth. In our Science lessons, we have learnt about the rock cycle and the differences between sedimentary, metamorphic and igneous rock. In English this week, we have had lots of fun using our poetry skills to write raps and perform them back to the class.

Maple

This week in Maple, we have been identifying primary and secondary colours, mixing orange, purple, green and brown. We used our colour mixing skills to create a class painting. In Maths, the Year 2's have started to learn about money and the Year 1's are investigating numbers to 50. What a fun week!



Acorns

This week, we have continued our learning in 'Fun, Fireworks and Food'. We read *Laura's Star* and then made our own sparkly stars and wrote a message to our star. We learnt about our sense of sight in Science and made telescopes with coloured cellophane and talked about the changes this made. We also continued on our Christmas theme, baking mince pies, writing cards, making salt dough and stick tree decorations for our outdoor learning. Such fun!

Friends Festive Cake Sale

Don't forget that the Friends are holding their festive cake sale next **Thursday 16th December at 3.10 pm**, by the bike racks. All small cakes are 50p and larger cakes at varying prices. Please do go along to support them.



Lunches for School Trips

As stated in the original trip letters sent out, **ALL** children will need a named packed lunch from home for both the pantomime trip on Wednesday 15th and the Smart Trees trip (Class 1 only), on Thursday 16th. We will be taking snacks with us for the panto trip as the children will be having lunch a little later than usual.

Residential Trip for Years 4 & 5

We have received a couple of enquiries recently regarding the payment plan for the Boundless Outdoor trip taking place next May. The monthly instalments are simply a guide to assist in budgeting for the trip but please be assured that as long as full payment is received by the deadline of **Tuesday 1st March 2022**, you can pay in whatever instalments you wish to.

Thank You

A big thank you to everyone who supported the Friends and Broadway Youth Club Tombola stall at the 2 recent late night shopping events in the village. They managed to raise an impressive £444 to share equally. Well done Friends and those who kindly gave up their time to ensure it all ran smoothly.

Children's Christmas Activities

Broadway Museum & Art Gallery on the High Street are holding 2 craft activity sessions on Saturday 11th and Saturday 18th December from 2.00 pm—4.00 pm. The children can take part in fun craft activities and pay Father Christmas a visit too! A family ticket, (includes up to 2 adults) is priced at £10.00.



Last week of term

Monday 13th December Nasal flu vaccinations for those with consent forms—not very festive!

PM—A **VERY** special visitor is paying us a visit!!

Maths booster session

Tuesday 14th December

Christmas Jumper Day for the whole school.

Christmas lunch for all children—please note we will be splitting the children into Key Stage One and Key Stage Two to eat to avoid too many people in one room.

Christmas fun and games in the afternoon in own classes

Wednesday 15th December

Classes 2 , 3 & 4 go to the pantomime in Cheltenham. Please note ALL children in these classes will need to bring a packed lunch from home on this day.

Thursday 16th December

Class One visiting Smart Trees for the day

Christmas arts and crafts and movies in other classes

Maths booster session

Final Fun Science Club with Mrs Worrall

Friday 17th December

1.20 pm *If the weather permits* parents are invited onto the playground to sing Christmas carols with the children.

2.00 PM School closes until Wednesday 5th January 2022

Take the first steps to becoming a Teaching Assistant

Worcestershire County Council is offering online courses to help guide adult learners on the right path to becoming a teaching assistant. The Level 2 Award in Support Work in Schools aims to develop the essential skills and knowledge needed to provide support in a school environment, including safeguarding and communication methods. The courses, which start on Wednesday 5 January and Tuesday 1 March, are open to anyone to join, regardless of previous qualifications, and a work placement isn't required, with those meeting criteria able to sign up for free. Worcestershire County Council are also offering free Support Teaching & Learning Advice Appointments for those wanting to find out more about becoming a teaching assistant from qualified and experienced teaching staff. If you're interested in booking onto the course or booking an advice appointment, please go to www.worcestershire.gov.uk/courses

Families eligible for Free School Meals—Activities

A number of free events have been offered by the local authority. These include free pantomime tickets, swimming sessions and much more. Visit <https://readysteadyworcestershire.coordinate.cloud/> to discover what is on offer and to register. If you require any further help the email the Holidays Activity and Food (HAF) Team at schools@hafworcestershire.co.uk to help you with your bookings.