



**Headteacher Awards**

Acorns	Theodore
Maple	Megan
Willow	Harriett
Oak	George

**Respect Award**

Acorns	Arabella
Maple	Felicity
Willow	Darcie
Oak	Noah W

**House Points**

Lygon 707 Russell 728  
Morris 730 Eadburgha 704

**Parents' Evenings coming soon**

**Wednesday 23rd March**

**3.30 pm—5.00 pm**

**Wednesday 30th March**

**5.00 pm—7.00 pm**

**Message from Mr Poultney:**

We have had a really exciting week with lots going on. Class 3 started the week dressed as Ancient Egyptians to kick off their new topic. There were some fantastic outfits and we look forward to seeing what the children learn over the next 8 weeks or so. Tuesday saw a coach from Worcestershire Cricket Club visit the school where all classes received a coaching session. This will continue for the remainder of the half term. Staff from the Co-Op visited us on Wednesday to deliver two assemblies to KS1 and KS2 explaining Fairtrade and why it is important. Thursday was World Book Day. Children and staff came to school in their nightwear ready for stories. It was fantastic to see our older readers supporting our younger children in reading them a story as well as enjoying their reading. Then, today saw an author visit the children in Class 1 and 2. More details about this on the final page.

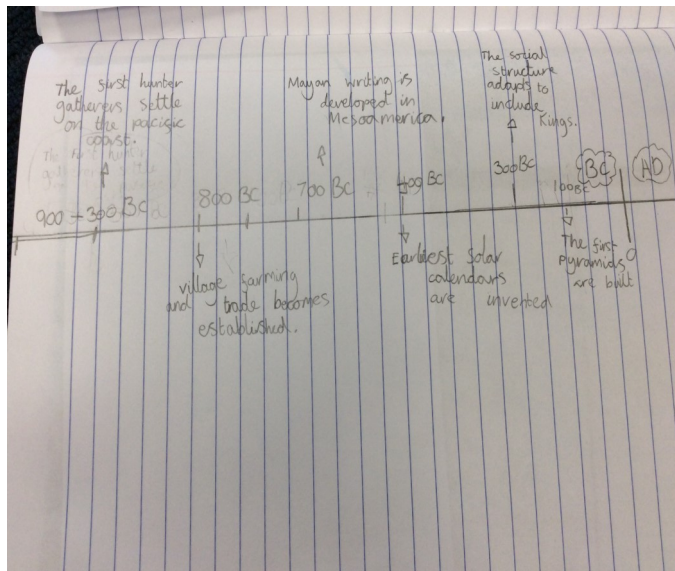
Finally, it's great to see our attendance returning back to something resembling normal this week. It is vital to your child's learning and development that they attend school regularly and arrive on time, which is why 96% is the national benchmark. A child with an attendance of 80% means they lose one day every week on average. Please help your child and the school by ensuring absence and punctuality are given your full support.

**Attendance this week**

Acorns	99%
Maple	96.5%
Willow	98%
Oak	99.2%

## Oak

This week in Class 4, we started our topic on Mayan civilisation and pupils have enjoyed sketching a cocoa bean in Art. We have been reading 'The Chocolate Tree', and discussing what life would be like without chocolate. In Topic, we explored where in the world the Mayans lived. In P.E, pupils in Class 4 really enjoyed learning cricket skills. On World Book day, Class 4 enjoyed sharing books with each other and later on in the day read to Class 1 pupils. We had some new additions to the classroom which included a soft snake who spent the day on top of the interactive whiteboard!!



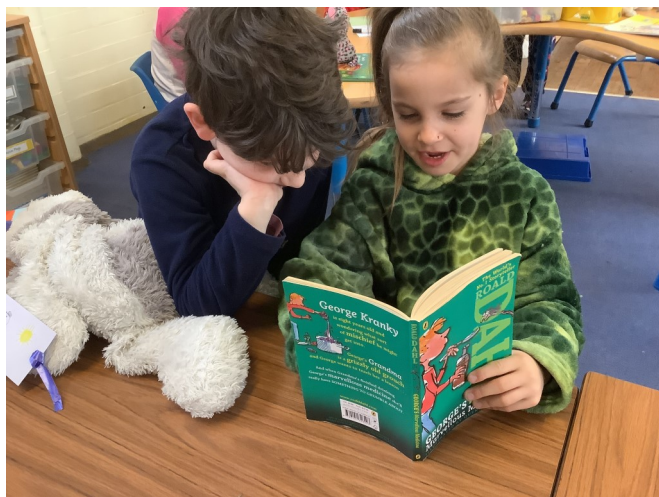
## Willow

We have had such a fun week! On Monday, we had our Ancient Egypt Day to start our next topic, Tomb Raiders. We dressed up in costumes that represent Egypt and identified when the Ancient Egyptians lived. We also made beaded collars and wrote in hieroglyphs to understand more about life in Ancient Egypt. To celebrate World Book Day on Thursday, we all wrote a blurb for our favourite books to display in our reading corner. We really enjoyed our cosy reading session with blankets too!



## Maple

Well done Maple class. You have settled back into school so well. This week we had cricket training from a cricket coach and practised our throwing and catching skills. We have also been learning about our senses in Science and why they are important. During World Book Day, we completed a book quiz, made our own bookmarks and read with Class 3. What a busy week.



## Acorns

This week we have started our new topic 'Where We Live.' We talked about our houses and where we live. We also learnt about Shrove Tuesday, sequenced the ingredients needed to make pancakes and wrote these out. In Maths, we have started our learning in 'Building 9 and 10'. Well done Class 1!



## Bikeability 2022

All of our Year 4 & 5 children will be taking part in the Worcestershire County Council's Bikeability scheme, the week commencing Monday 4th April. Year 5 children will be taking the Level 2 either every morning or every afternoon, from Monday 4th—Thursday 7th April and Year 4 will be taking the Level 1 on either the morning or the afternoon of the 8th April.

Details of this scheme, together with essential permissions forms are being sent out today. As the communication clearly details, your child's bike will need to be deemed roadworthy to participate. Please note, it is expected that all children take part and it is in their best interests from a safety and confidence on the roads perspective.

## Class 3 Think Tank Trip

As part of Class 3's Science topic, they are going to The Think Tank in Birmingham on Tuesday 29th March. If you haven't yet sent in your reply slip, please can you do so as soon as possible? The payment deadline is **10.00 am on Wednesday 16th March**. The facility to pay online will be lost after this day/time. A decision regarding the viability of the trip will be made by Monday 21st March.

## Fiery Fox

Classes 1 & 2 were lucky enough to have a visit from local author Teresa Davis who came in to school to share her book 'Fiery Fox learns about fire safety' with the children and talk about her experience. Her book is a fun rhyming story and tells the story in a non-scary way about the importance of staying safe around fire. The book is a delightful read and if your child would like a personalised, signed copy, an order form will be coming home today with the children. Please send in your form and payment (cash only), by next Friday 11th March at the latest, remembering to state what message you would like in the book.

## Next week:

<b>Monday 7th March</b>	Crest Science club Key Stage 2 children at 3.15 pm Maths Booster session for selected Class 2 children at 3.15 pm
<b>Tuesday 8th March</b>	Literacy Booster session for selected children at 3.15 pm Cricket club session 2 for Years 2—5 at 3.15 pm Outdoor learning session in Class One PM
<b>Wednesday 9th March</b>	Guitar lessons in the hall PM
<b>Thursday 10th March</b>	Forest School for all Year 3 children PM Piano lessons PM Maths Booster session for selected Class 2 children at 3.15 pm
<b>Friday 11th March</b>	Crest Science club for Class 2 children at 3.15 pm