

Christ Church CE (VA) Junior School



NEWSLETTER



SUMMER TERM

Friday 7th June 2019

Headteacher's Message Board



Welcome back after the half term break and welcome to Miss Gledhill who will be teaching Sycamores for this final half term. We have had exciting transition activities going on this week, with Y2 from Tuel Lane visiting for art activities and staff from RVHS chatting with Y6 about life at secondary school. Further transition activities will take place as the term progresses.

Congratulations to **Sean Lynas** who has won this week's Headteacher's award—well done, Sean!

Just a quick reminder about the Soccer Academy visits which are taking place in the next couple of weeks. Event details as follows:

Activity morning: Tuesday 11th June (PE kits needed)

Presentation of prizes: Tuesday 18th June

We ask that all Soccer Academy sponsor money and form are returned to school by **Thursday 13th June** so that the correct prizes can be ordered for the children. Many thanks.

Dates for the diary:

- ◆ 11.6.19 Soccer Academy activity morning
- ◆ 13.6.19 TASB staff visiting Y6 for Trinity
- ◆ 18.6.19 Willows trip to Ponderosa
- ◆ 18.6.19 soccer Academy prize giving
- ◆ 21.6.19 Y3 to visit their buddies at Tuel Lane

Christian Values Certificates

The winners this week are:

Kelsi Calder, Logan Holroyd, Hermione Nelson, Sophie Calder and all of Sycamores



Sycamores:

What a great week back for Sycamores! This week in maths we have started answering problem-solving questions involving addition and subtraction, positive and negative numbers as well as rounding and estimating.

In Literacy, we have begun looking at creating an advert to persuade tourists to visit Brazil. We have looked at using different persuasive techniques such as asking rhetorical questions.

In Topic, the children have been learning all sorts of interesting facts about Brazil. We have looked at the climate across different areas of Brazil and compared this to the climate in the UK and we have looked at different famous landmarks across Brazil such as Christ the Redeemer.

Additionally, we have begun practising for our end of year performance, Olivia! We have started by learning the songs and we are now making sure we learn our lines.

Have a lovely weekend and I'll see you on Monday.

OUTSTANDING WORK & TOP BANANA

WRITERS

This week we celebrate the achievements of:

WILLOWS: Layla Bottomley and Seth Fitton

JUNIPERS: James Armstrong and Freya Smedley

CHESTNUTS: Marshall-Jay Horsley and Holly Wall

MAPLES: Tyler Faulkner and James Woodcock

SYCAMORES: Gracie Lansdale and Emily Newman

Our worship theme this week is:

The Ascension and Pentecost



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Willows:

A busy week in Willows has seen us start our descriptive writing. We are focusing on getting some amazing adjectives, adverbs and conjunctions in our writing and really go to town with some adventurous vocabulary. In maths, the sands of time have fallen on our time topic with the children finishing off by comparing lengths of events. In topic we have started our work on local wildlife with some general research and looking at food-chains. Finally in PE we have been working on our striking sports, this week rounders before moving onto cricket and tennis over the next few weeks.

Junipers:

A lovely first week back for Junipers! In maths, we have started focusing on time. A tricky concept for children to grasp, we have begun telling the time and also looking at months and years. It would be great if you could ask the children at home to tell the time and see how much they have learnt!

In literacy, we have begun writing newspaper reports based around the female character in our book. We have also looked at inverted commas and how we can use speech in our newspaper reports.

In topic this week, we have created our own gardens on paper plates, using oil pastels and paints.

In P. E, we have been focusing on our football skills, which the children have thoroughly enjoyed! Hope you have a lovely weekend.

CHESTNUTS:

Chestnuts have worked well this week comprehending py-thon themed texts and passages taken from our class read, 'The Explorer'. This was used as inspiration to write their own narrative, in a similar style and genre. In Maths the children are now covering time, please could you take a little 'TIME' to test them, thus helping them to express time correctly.

Children looked at similarities and differences of the animal and human digestive system in Science. They enjoyed a little experiment that demonstrated how the stomach and intestines process food and drink through the body, absorbing nutrients and expelling waste products.

We continue to improve our throwing skills in PE, all it takes is a tennis ball, a bit of open land and some 'time'; I would love for the class to continue to practice learned techniques outside of school.

Maples:

Welcome back everyone, I can't believe we are already on the last half term. Maples children have come back refreshed and have been doing some fantastic work. In literacy, we have started writing news reports based on the events that happen in 'The Iron Man' book by Ted Hughes. Children have also been looking at what a news report should look like, they have analysed it and listed all its features so they can use these to write an even better news report. In maths we have been adding and subtracting decimals with different amount of digits after the decimal point and we have been discussing how to line up the numbers to add or subtract them correctly. Children have been researching Aardman animations, looking at techniques, characters and films. Next week we are having our animation workshop and children are really looking forward to learning some stop motion skills.

Certificates

CERTIFICATE WINNERS THIS WEEK:

WILLOWS: Tyler Whippey and Oliver Pickard

JUNIPERS: Oliver O'Connor and Emily-Jade Hitchen

CHESTNUTS: Gracie-Mai Crossley and Ella-Skye

Taylor

MAPLES: Euart Whitworth and Angel Merrick

SYCAMORES: Laila Pickard and Eliza Lewins

Attendance

Our weekly whole school target for attendance is

The average for this week was: 94.6%



Total learning time lost this week due to lateness:

1 hour 2 minutes

Willows	92.3%
Junipers	91.4%
Chestnuts	96.4%
Maples	97.4%
Sycamores	95.4%