

22 September 2017 WEEKLY UPDATE



This week: Oak and Ash classes have been reading the lovely story *Whatever Next?* as part of their teddy bear project. Perhaps you have a copy at home you could share together?

• **AM PM Club users**—Please be sure to collect your child by 6pm or you will be charged a late fee—see Club Terms and Conditions for full details.

• We've talked lots about our Core Vale **Thankfulness** and realising what a lot we have to be thankful for! Are you hearing lots of 'thank you's at home?

Wirksworth Wonders: **At WI:** **Hawthorn:** Flynn for amazing sequencing and retelling of the Mary Anning story about fossil discovery, Kitten for her excellent addition skills in maths, and Erin for her great skills sequencing and re-telling the story of Jesus healing the man who couldn't walk; **Oak:** Millie for super listening when on the carpet and helping to re-tell the story *Whatever Next?*

At CE: **Sycamore:** Thea for wonderful sequencing and retelling of an act of kindness in a Bible story, Woody for wonderful rainbow number bonds to 10 and Isaac for brilliant writing about Mary Anning; **Beech:** Sylvie for fantastic work on number bonds to 10, Ted for great ICT work creating an Argentosaurus dinosaur, and Toby for his super skeleton dinosaur artwork; **Ash:** Stanley for re-enacting the *Whatever Next* story using props, Lily for excellent verbal sequencing of our story and explaining some of the events missed out of the pictures, and Harriet, who is a friend to all, bubbly, smiley and a lovely member of the class. Well done everyone.

Harvest Walk and Treasure Hunt Friday 29 Sept

Please look again at last week's letter and try to support your child in collecting sponsorship pledges. On Friday, your child should wear their uniform and also bring suitable outdoor clothing—a waterproof coat and strong shoes or boots. Although walking uphill can make you hot, at the top it's often windy, so a woolly hat might be useful, too. Please make sure all items of clothing are clearly named. Please send a change of shoes to wear on our return to school. We'll be back in time for lunch.

☆ **Harvest donations:** We're collecting tinned meat of fish, tinned fruit, tinned rice pudding, cooking oil, tea, coffee, fruit squash and long life milk which will be taken to the Padley Centre in Derby for distribution to homeless people.

Please send your donations before Fri 29 Sept.
Thank you for your support.

Next week (ending 29 Sept)

Mon 25: Sycamore class swim. Please collect your child from the swimming pool at 3.15pm. You may have heard that exciting work to extend the pool facilities is due to start very soon. Please take care in and around the building during construction.

Tues 26: Toy Library Stay&Play 9.30-11.30 at WI

• Hawthorn Class visit the Stone Centre. Please make sure your child has suitable coat and shoes for this walk. Back in time for lunch.

Weds 27: Beech Class visit the Stone Centre

Thurs 28: Sycamore Class visit the Stone Centre

Fri 29: **Harvest Walk and Treasure Hunt** (see box below). No Celebration Assemblies today.

Further ahead (more details will follow...):

Sat 7 Oct: Child car seat checking service—Sainsbury's Matlock 10-1pm and 2-4pm. Free!

Tues/Weds 17/18 Oct: Parents' evenings

Thurs 19: End of term—Dress Down Day

Fri 20 Oct: INSET day—school closed to pupils.

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Carnival of the Animals is the theme for this year's Festival Community Celebration event on Sun 24 Sept. Starting at 12.00 at the National Stone Centre with mask and flag making, before the safari art adventure of animal fun sets off at 2pm, and ending at Stoney Wood Fire Circle with bar and food stalls. A lively ceilidh for all the family starts at 5.00pm.

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