



Fingringhoe

Church of England (VA) Primary School

Autumn Term 2023

29th September

Dates for the diary

- Friday 6th October at 2:30pm
-Harvest Festival (in church)
- Thursday 19th October—
Photographer for individual &
family group photos
- Friday 20th October—'Wear
Red Day' (see poster on front
window)
- Wednesday 1st & Thursday
2nd November—
'Bikeability' (Year 6 only, for
those who have signed up)
- Tuesday 7th & Thursday 9th
November—Early Years
open events—spread the
word!

Reminders

- Elm class residential deposit
required by Tuesday 3rd
October. This must be paid to
secure your child's place.
- Thursday 5th October—
Census day! Please choose
the school lunch for your
child to support us.
- Please regularly check
'Parent Pay' for outstanding
payments (BAA etc)



Dear Parents,

What a busy week we have had here at school! It has been a pleasure to see our new Reception children settling in so well at Fingringhoe – they are taking on their new 'superhero' roles with much enthusiasm! Beech and Maple Class have been very practical and creative during their art and science lessons with the children embracing the opportunity to do some hands-on learning. Elm class have been getting stuck into their English; I had the opportunity to watch some of the children's presentations and was very impressed by the articulate way in which the children presented their topic of choice – a great start, Elm Class, well done!

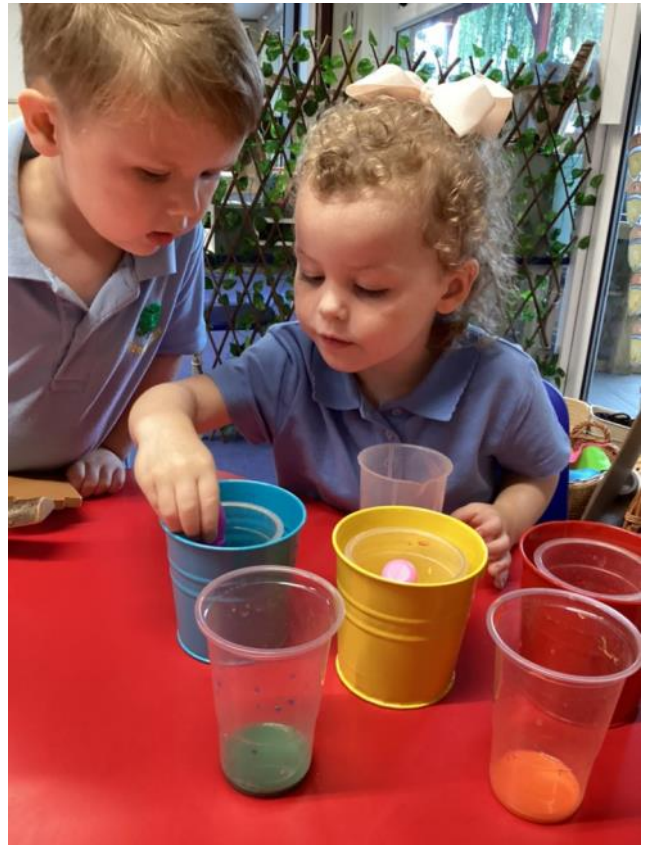
Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Mrs Coyle & Ms Parker

Headteachers awards	Week commencing 18/09/23	Week commencing 25/09/23
Willow Class	Shylah	Cameron
Beech Class	Amy & Miles	Beaux & Annan
Maple Class	Sophia & Lily	Joseph , Jude & Harper
Elm Class	Charlie, Bailey & Evie	Arthur, Harry & Emily

Willow

This week, Willow class have been consolidating their knowledge of colour mixing. They were given a special recipe to follow and had to uncover the hidden secondary colour. They have also been discussing their families in SCARF and learning a little more about one another.



Beech

As part of our art topic, we have been experimenting using patterns and shapes in different ways. Our first investigation was around the spiral shape where we used different types of pencil and chalks to create spirals of different size and colour. We then used our experimentation to create our own unique interpretations of snail shells.



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Maple

Maple class have been investigating light in science. We have identified light sources and sorted them into natural and manmade before progressing on to identifying how shadows are formed. The children worked very enthusiastically to test different materials and find out if they were opaque, transparent, or translucent by shining a light through them and observing the shadows made. Good work Maple class!



Maple Class have also been enjoying their journey through the Stone Age. Over the past few weeks, we have travelled through the Palaeolithic period where we learned about art by carving animals out of soap. Next, we entered the Mesolithic period where we made antler headdresses after learning about Starr Carr and how the people of that time lived. This week, we are beginning to look at the Neolithic period, where we will begin to investigate Stonehenge! Very busy historians!

Elm

Elm, as well as the whole school, took part in a cricket session ready for the Cricket World Cup. The children took part in exercises that involved throwing and catching, batting and over-arm bowling. The children were enthusiastic and were eager to do well.



More recently, Elm have started looking at examples of 'hooks' and character descriptions to deliver exciting sentences ready for writing short stories. We have also had a science lesson where the children have collected samples of plants to classify. They had to find 10 different species and identify them using specific websites and plant guides.

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Cricket Day!

Last Wednesday we were joined by Niamh from Essex Cricket in celebration of the upcoming Cricket World Cup. Children took part in a Geographical quiz during morning assembly about the nations involved in this year's world cup, discovering new facts and discussing what an important role sport plays in bringing people together.

The day was then followed by Years 1 to 6 enjoying a coached session, learning new skills and techniques used in a game of cricket. Children approached these sessions with enthusiasm and a positive attitude, it really was lovely to see so many children having a go and doing their best-we have some future cricket stars in the making!



Fantastic achievement for Maisie!

Saturday was showjumping national pony club championship. Maisie went 'triple clear' on her pony Bambi, which then resulted in her team finishing 2nd place missing first place by 0.02 of a second! Maisie also finished 12th as an individual out of 126 riders!

Sunday bought the pony club national eventing championships.

Maisie's pony is a 'jumper' and doesn't really like the dressage, but they did a good test putting them in good stead for the day ahead. They went clear on showjumping so we're going through on their dressage score to then jump a technical cross country course with combinations, 2 water sections & a hanging trekana. But this little duo smashed it & went clear on that as well. Some of her teammates had some problems on the cross country but he team still finished 5th overall in the competition & Maisie finished 5th overall as an individual!



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