

Dear Parent/Guardian,

It has been a busy start to the year, our new staff have been a great asset and we are enjoying having them on the team.

We welcomed 4 new pupils this term, they have all settled well and it is lovely to see new friendships developing in the classes. The senior prefect team have been a great addition to the school team, they have taken the lead on visits from other professionals and are a real credit to the school, their families and themselves.

Our senior pupils are beginning to plan and are visiting colleges and other options that maybe available to them when they leave in July 2017.

We are working hard with the Governing Body to plan for the school's future, to ensure that this is secure for our learners in the long term.

I can't quite believe that Christmas is nearly on us again, this year our senior classes have decide to use their business money to buy presents for Border Radio's Cash for Kids appeal. We are very proud of them for thinking about others that may not receive gifts at Christmas. We will be sending out letters for the Christmas concerts soon, this year there will be a slightly different format. We will also be enjoying our normal Christmas lunch, parties and trips to the Pantomime. We will also have our Christmas service at Tweedmouth Parish Church, all the dates you need are on the back of this newsletter.

Thank you for all your support this term and myself and the staff look forward to seeing you over the Christmas period.

Yours Sincerely



Mrs Penny Derries



Maple Class

We have enjoyed this half term, and have done lots of movement and exercises, including visits to Mrs Couch for Rebound Therapy.



Maple Class has visited the Garden Centre and the children loved looking at the coloured lights and Christmas displays.



We look forward to welcoming you to our Christmas concert in December.





Willow Class



Willow Class have been busy learning to develop our maths skills by exploring counting, colour and shape.





Elm Class have been
learning about
Celebrations which
take place in
Autumn



Bonfire Night and learning
the Fire Work Code

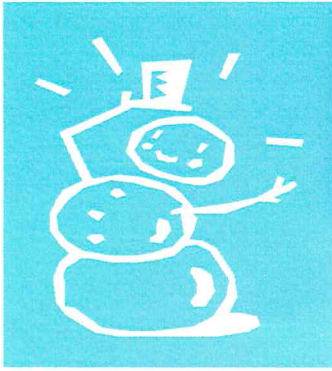


We have been learning about
Armistice Day



Children In Need
Celebrations





Beech Class

Busy busy times...



We had fun down on the beach when we went looking for driftwood for our Christmas tree wall display.



Lots of lovely cooking has been happening this term including pumpkin soup and sandwiches as well as making our Christmas cakes to sell as part of our class business, Beech Greats.

Keeping fit has been so much fun. Here we are playing sitting volleyball. The ball was going so fast we couldn't catch it in the photo!



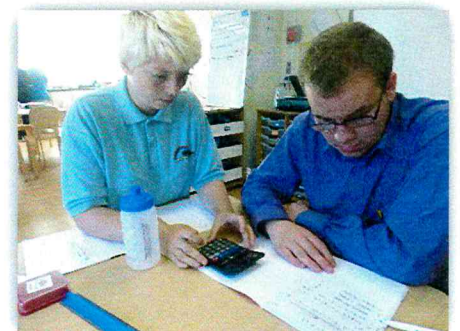
Oak Class Newsletter, Winter 2016

Developing our skills for life and work

In Oak Class we have been thinking about our kitchen skills.

These are the skills that we think are important – money and maths skills, using the washing machine , putting things away in the right places, checking we have the right ingredients and reading food labels, making homemade food to share in class, using the kitchen equipment, and working in a team. Here are some photographs of us using and improving our skills in the kitchen.

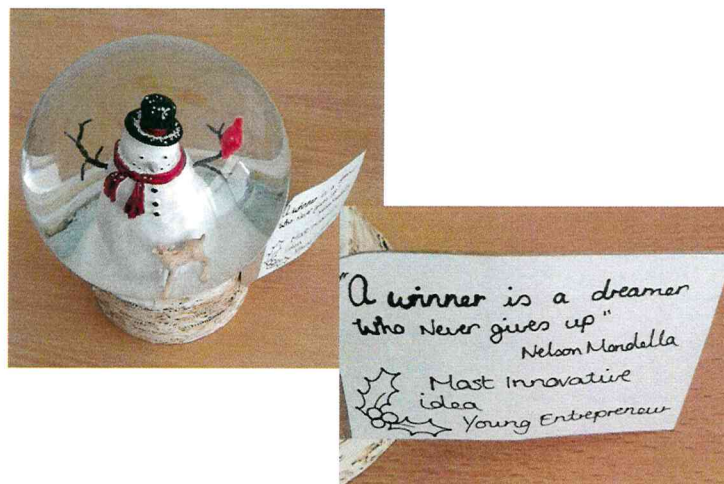
Written by Emma, Oak Class



Sycamore Class



Last week we took part in the 'Make £5 Grow' project for young entrepreneurs. We decoupaged piggy banks and sold them at Alnwick Gardens in a big marquee. We sold 14 pigs and made £56. There were lots of other schools there too. We won the award for the 'most innovative idea' and won this snow globe.





Diary Dates 2016 up until Christmas

Break up for Half Term

Friday 21 October at 3pm ✓

School Re-opens

Monday 31 October ✓

Christmas Concert for Maple, Willow, Elm & Beech
We will be sending out letters for ticket numbers

Tuesday 6 December 1pm

Christmas Concert for Oak & Sycamore
We will be sending out letters for ticket numbers

Wednesday 7 December 1pm

Pantomime at Maltings (Pupils & Staff)

Monday 12 December

Pantomime at Maltings (Pupils & Staff)

Tuesday 13 December

Christmas Lunch (Staff & Pupils)

Wednesday 14 December

Church Service at Tweedmouth Parish
Parents welcome 10.30am

Thursday 15 December

School closes for Christmas

Friday 16 December at 3pm