Branston Church of England Infant Academy

Newsletter

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Diary Dates

Monday 9th & 11th November: Parents Evening

Wednesday 11th November: Armistice Day

Friday 13th November: Children in Need (non-uniform)

Friday 13th November: Sports Enrichment Day

Monday 16th November: Odd Socks Day

Friday 20th November: Christingle in church

Wednesday 25th November: Family Learning

Friday 27th November: Non-uniform for hampers

See Website for full calendar updates

News From Around the Classes in School:

Little Owls: *really enjoyed their Diwali workshop earlier this week. They have been busy making clay diva lamps. They also enjoyed their Bonfire Night themed music session.*

Fox Class: *have enjoyed beginning to explore wheels and movement in DT and have loved starting to explore the story of 'The Snail and the Whale' in their English lessons. In their maths lessons they have been using part-whole models to combine numbers.*

Squirrel Class: *have vehicles with wheels in their DT lesson as they start a project to create a London tour bus as part of their wider theme this half term. In their maths lessons they have been working hard on addition. Squirrel Class loved their active story telling session based on the Snail and the Whale.*

Hedgehog Class: *have been learning all about living things in Science. They also really enjoyed their immersive story session, acting out key parts of our new story!*

Follow us on Facebook/Instagram ***@branstoncofeinfants*** *for photos and reels from the week including Diwali workshop, Harvest Festival and Jacobs Den (among other things!).*

This week's Super Stars:

Barn Owls: Havannah

Tawny Owls: Teddy

Foxes: Phoebe

Squirrels: Jackson K

Hedgehogs: Alaric

Headteacher stickers go to Leo, Delilah, Pixie, Amiya-Lily and Mila for a super start to Term 2!



Super Star certificates and stickers will be presented on Friday **13th November.** Zoom links will be sent via email for this worship.

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to Term Two! We hope that you all had a lovely half term break. This term is a busy with many different events in the run up to the festive period. We hope you all received the event guide at the start of the week (paper copy). We hope this helps you keep up to date with the extra things that are happening. All these dates are also on our new school website.

Internet Issues: Please can I start by thanking you for your support during this week's internet issues/lack of contractability. The school is moving to fibre, and the transfer didn't quite go to plan! I am hoping that by the time you receive this newsletter that we will be back up and running as usual. If we have been a little slower than usual getting back to you then please accept our apologies.

Debutots Diwali Workshop: On Tuesday we welcomed Becci from Debutots to deliver two Diwali workshops for our Little Owls children. Debutots is an interactive drama/music/storytelling company that work with schools to bring learning to life! The children learnt about the story of Diwali, danced like fireworks and acted out scenes. The session finished with bubbles, which the children loved! Watch this space for a NEW Debutots after-school club starting in January 2027!

Harvest Festival Thank you to everyone who donated a box of cereal for this year's Harvest Festival. Please look out for our cereal box domino run on Facebook/Instagram. We always have lots of fun doing this. All the cereal will be donated to Branston Food Bank so that it can support families and people in our own community. If you or anyone you know needs support from the foodbank please call **07395 906220** or email **branstoncommunity@gmail.com**

Jacob's Den: This morning a group of children visited Jacob's Den, an equine centre in nearly Timberland. This week the children met the ponies and started to get to know them. During their visits in the coming weeks the children will help look after the ponies and lead them around the paddocks.

Children In Need

Next Friday is Children in Need. We are inviting children to wear non-uniform to school for a suggested donation of £1 for the charity.

LAAT Updates

Our Trust have its own fund 'Love As Action Together'. Its aim is to reduce barrier to education for all children. They have supported families with school uniform and household items among other things. Click on the link to the website for more information. If you feel that you need support from LAAT, please speak to Mrs Cook.

Love As Action – Together Fund - LAAT

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