

West Tytherley CE Primary School

Friday 20th May 2022

Dear Parents,

Today we were delighted to be able to ask all of our new children to go through the stone, as the tradition at West Tytherley dictates. We are so pleased to welcome them all to the school and we hope that they are all enjoying their new classes and making new friends.

Jubilee Events

Thank you to our lovely volunteers to serve the cream teas. We are going to have some smart aprons made up to wear, so we will look very smart.

The maypole has now made its way to the school and we have had a quick practice with Chestnut class. Next week I need to get the squad together and start practising.

We have made some bunting, so the school will look very festive!

Head lice

Please can we ask that you check your child's hair for any unwelcome guests and treat if needed. We also ask that all long hair is tied up while the children are at school.

I hope that everyone has a lovely weekend

Kind regards

Lucy Macey

Weekly Awards

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| Beech | Sienna | for always being compassionate and caring towards others. This week in particular Sienna has been very welcoming to a new member of our class, showing them where to find things and ensuring that they have everything they need. |
| Chestnut | Filipp | It is wonderful to see him smiling whilst carrying out his learning. He is showing an enjoyment in all areas of school. He is starting to recognise the emotions of the others and act upon this in a caring way. |
| Willow | Ella | for always having a smile on her face and trying to include everyone in everything. |
| Oak | Emily | for her calm, ever-present kindness to all others |

Thought for the Week

This week we have been thinking about the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and her faithfulness over many years. We also thought about how we too can make a difference to others. As we think about the Queen and all her years of service, we can thank God for the plans and purpose he gave her and her faithfulness to him. We can also ask God to show us the purposes for our lives too. We prayed: *Dear God, thank you for the Queen who has been faithful to her people for over 70 years. Help us to trust in your plan for our lives so we can also be committed to you and other people. We pray that we can make a positive difference. Amen*

Vicar James

Let's Get Together for the Jubilee! **The West Tytherley Jubilee Tea**

- ❖ **Friday 3rd June**
- ❖ **3pm-5pm at The Village Hall**
- ❖ **£5 cash each adult, £3 each child**
- ❖ **Pay at the door**
- ❖ **1950s Theme**
- ❖ **Cakes, Scones, Tea and Coffee**
- ❖ **Children's Drawing Competition**



Let's Get Together for the Jubilee! **Part 2: Picnic on the Rec BBQ at the Pub**

- ❖ **Sunday 5th June**
 - ❖ **Picnic on the WT rec from 2pm-5pm**
 - ❖ **Bring your own picnic**
 - ❖ **Visit the famous WT plant stall and cake stall**
 - ❖ **Raffle**
 - ❖ **Take part in the traditional WT egg throwing competition!**
- Followed by a BBQ at The Black Horse, from 5pm**



News from around school

Beech

We have started the week introducing the new class book, 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea' by Judith Kerr. The children will be exploring what is needed to host a tea party, making invitations, decorations and whatever peaks the children's interests. So far, they have created shopping lists for what they will need for a party and a recipe for Tiger Food.

Our topic in Science continues to be plants and the children have been drawing still life images and labelling them with the anatomy of a plant, explaining to their peers what the role of each part is to help it survive. Alongside this, our vegetable patch has been thriving and the children cannot believe how quickly the tomato plants have grown. They have measured their height and width and will be tracking this over the coming weeks.

The focus for Mathematics this week has been sharing, and splitting an amount into equal groups. The children have done this through practical activities involving their 'mini-me' and ensuring that each child receives the same amount of sweets! We have discussed how this can be used in real life to ensure that everything is fair. The children continued to develop this skill during their role play.



Chestnut

This week the children have been completing their assessments. They have worked incredibly hard and are putting into practice skills that they have been developing during Guided Reading and Maths lessons. I am very proud of them all.

In English this week, we have started a new book, 'Woolf'. It is the story of a wolf and a sheep who fall in love and have a son. The son struggles to fit in because he is neither sheep nor wolf. The children started the week off by drawing what the creature looked like, based on sounds of the two animals and parts of the animals. Later on in the week, the children were introduced to the book and were tasked with writing a letter from the sheep to the wolf, after their first meeting; the children were encouraged to put into practice the skills that they had developed in the last unit of work, focused on letter writing.

On Monday, the children were able to look – finally – in the silver box that has been sitting in the room for just under a week. Inside it were a number of replica items that could have been on the RMS Titanic. The children were rather excited to see the different items, working out what they could be, especially the stole (it was a mink). After this, the children were then tasked with organizing the events that led to the sinking of the RMS Titanic on the 14th and 15th April 1912. They were then given the task of considering 'whose fault was it that the ship sank?' It was wonderful to see the different discussions that were coming from this question and to see the children providing reasons for their answer.



Willow

This week, Willow have been revisiting addition and subtraction. We have been working through the basics very quickly to move onto reasoning and word problems by the end of the week. The children have been working independently with challenges around the classroom that they have been able to access themselves.

In English, we have started looking at 'Sensational', a book of poems inspired by the five senses. We started by predicting what the book is about and discussing the five senses. We have also been categorising poems and have been going outside to explore some of the sound poems using instruments to emphasise parts of the poem.

We have also been finishing off our African inspired dance for the Commonwealth games. We spent a tireless afternoon rehearsing and filming ready to make the final video. It was a lot of fun and we worked really hard to make it look as good as possible.

We have also been finishing off a science experiment where we have been growing plants in different shades of light; even putting some in a cupboard with no light to see the effect on its growth. We have discovered that even without a lot of light, plants will still grow but they will look very unhealthy, with curly leaves and a stark white colour instead of green.



Oak

This week the red kites have invaded our classroom. The children have created poems, based on the ones that we have read from *The Lost Words*. Once the children had drafted and edited them, they wrote them on the silhouettes which now adorn the classroom window. Solemia drew the outline, free hand and we used it as a template. If you have time, pop in and read them!

Our guided reading book has introduced us to a new character, Lucritia Cuttle and the children have made some predictions that she is going to be a villain, who knows something about the disappearance of Bartholomew Cuttle. The children have all decided that they would like a pet beetle like Baxter.

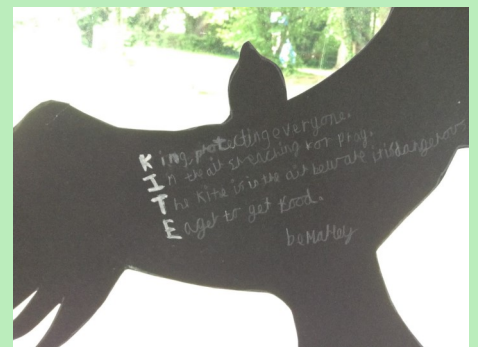
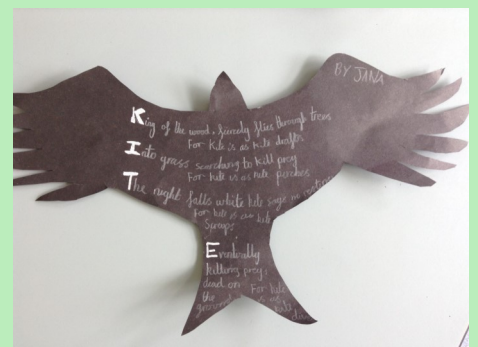
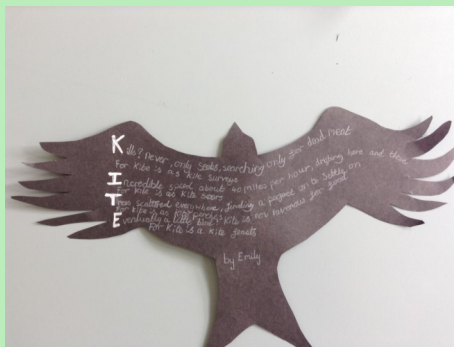
There have been lots of opportunities in maths to practice mental arithmetic and the children have also been working on their problem solving skills.

We have completed more work on the stages of evolution and made models of the different species that evolved in the different time periods.

The children have enjoyed a French lesson with Madame Bottle, where they learned some telling the time vocabulary and how to order a drink!

In P.E. the children have been practising their athletics disciplines: this week was discus.

We are hoping for the sunshine next week and a lovely last week before half term.



May Half Term

MON 30TH MAY – 1ST JUNE



We have a fantastic week planned for May half term at Norman Court, West Tytherley. Please book early to avoid disappointment. We accept all CHILDCARE VOUCHERS. Please bring a lunch box and snacks.

Morning session 8am-1pm £25
Afternoon session 1pm-6pm £25
All day 8am-6pm £40

Please visit our website to book online via ClassForKids or contact us on: enquire@ecomontessori.co.uk. Payment is required in advance of sessions.

Message from Miss Debbie



"Hello, my name is Miss Debbie. I am the Manager of Eco Montessori at Norman Court. I have worked in Early years for over 13 years and am a qualified Forest School Practitioner. My favourite environment is one without walls. One where children can lead and extend their own learning and play with only natural resources around them."

Typical Structure of the Day (For children aged 4-11)

8.00-9.30am Arrival, Breakfast and free play
9.30-10.30am Activity One
10.30-11.00am Snack Time
11.00-12.30pm Activity Two
12.30-2.00pm Lunch time and Adventure play
2.00-4.00pm Activity Three
4.00-5.00pm Free Play and snack
5.00-6.00pm Free play and Home time

For a full programme of activities, please see overview



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PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES



Forest School MONDAY 30TH MAY

Activity 1 Nature Walk / Scavenger Hunt
Activity 2 Hapa Zone (Hammers / Rocks)
Activity 3 Team games in the woodland - Stick towers

Tool Work TUESDAY 31ST MAY

Activity 1 Making log or rock pets
Activity 2 Clay faces
Activity 3 Tree climbing

Save The Bees! WEDNESDAY 1ST JUNE

Activity 1 Nature walk and solitary Bee home hunt
Activity 2 Make our own Bee homes
Activity 3 Planting a bee friendly garden

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee 2022

HOLIDAY CLUB WILL NOT BE RUNNING ON THURSDAY 2ND JUNE AND FRIDAY 3RD JUNE



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'free' parenting talk on Monday 23rd May at 7.30pm. Our guest speaker Lorraine Lee, will be talking about **'Meeting children's emotional needs so they can do well'**.

Children, just like adults, have legitimate emotional needs. These needs provide the foundation from which they learn new skills, manage their emotions, engage well at school and form positive relationships.

This talk provides parents with some practical steps they can take to ensure these needs are met and their children have a strong emotional foundation to stand on.

To book a free place please email me at orange.j@salisburycathedralschool.com