



Friday 18th November 2022

Dear All,

This week has seen torrential rain, odd socks and shoes, spotty clothing and an enormous amount of community spirit! We had fabulous cakes and service at the Birch Community Café, the children were an absolute credit to the school and I was extremely impressed and proud of them. Well done Birch!

Don't forget that this Saturday is the screening of The Gruffalo and Stickman at the Village Hall. Tickets are £2.50 per child and the fun starts at 11am. We hope to see you all there and a big thank you to all those organising this event!

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Sacre – Executive Headteacher

This week in class....

Pre-School – We have continued to play the Little Wandle sound games this week which has led to the children becoming quite interested in other sounds around them. They have been playing with the musical instruments a lot more and this week and I have been asked many times to find out what sounds various animals make on my laptop. We were all quite surprised to discover that the Tarantula has a rather nasty hiss and caterpillars make a squeaky sound. We have also been discussing how germs spread and encouraging the children to sneeze and cough into the elbows.

Acorn – Acorn have begun learning the story of The Little Red Hen this week. We have made actions for each event and character in the story. The children have drawn pictures and summarised the story. We have also been thinking about kindness this week and how we can show kindness towards our friends. On Thursday we took part in a live event to learn about disappearing bees. We had a story from the 3 Engineers about how bee habitats are changing and what we can do about it. This is the link to the story for you to watch with your child: <https://www.the3engineers.com/books>

Oak - Oak Class have continued to work on their understanding of addition and subtraction in maths and are gradually becoming more confident in making choices about which resources might help them to solve problems. In our French, we have been learning how to say the alphabet letters and looked at French pronunciation of sounds. Our Topic work has now moved on to a 3D focus, and we have been planning a design for our 'Moving on From Fear' inspired dioramas, thinking about the materials we might use and how we can present our ideas in 3D. Oak Class popped over to see the Community Cafe in action on Wednesday so that we could look at the amazing work that Birch Class had been up to. We were so impressed and talked about all of the hard work that we could see Birch had put in. We were really grateful for the surprise donation made by parents at the cafe which meant that we could all have a cake! Thank you very much!

Birch - If you want a tasty cake, you know where to come! This week the culmination of all Birch class's planning and preparation came to fruition on Wednesday. On Monday the children shopped, compared prices, carefully selected quantities and paid out of our funds. On Tuesday they baked under the great guidance of Amy (Rafe's mum) and Mrs Wright. Then, on Wednesday at 9.30am, the doors opened to the first ever, Birch community cafe. The event went brilliantly with all cakes and treats being sold in just over an hour. The children were immaculately behaved, demonstrating excellent manners throughout. When we returned to school, we calculated profit / loss and went through our feedback forms to ensure the next one is more tailored to our customers. A massive thank you to Mrs Wright, Mrs Dyke, Connie (Mrs Wright's helpful assistant!) and all parents who attended to make the event so successful. Well done Birch class, it was amazing to see you in action.



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Forest School News - Birch started the day off a bit low in mood, we all shared our energy balls so we could understand where we were all at. We had some free adventure followed by some mask making, everyone gave it a try, some found the stitching tricky but in the end some loved it and we talked about giving things a go and learning new skills. Ava made a sofa out of leaves and invited everyone to try it out. We decided to do our energy balls again sitting on the sofa and everyone's had changed! We all agreed that being outside really helped us to feel better!

Saturday 19th November!

A Screening of The Gruffalo and Stickman at the Village hall!

Many Thanks to Matt Galasky and all those involved in organising this event in order to raise funds for the school.

Please see posters around school and facebook





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Dates for your Diary –

Saturday 19th November – Gruffalo and Stickman screening at the Village Hall, food, games, fancy dress & some amazing raffle prizes!

Monday 21st November – Birch Class swimming & Acorn Class PE. Individual & sibling photos.

Friday 25th November - Birch Class Forest School / Oak Class PE

Monday 28th November – Birch Class swimming & Acorn Class PE & **Parent Meetings this week**

Friday 2nd December - Oak Class Forest School / Birch Class PE

Monday 5th December - Birch Class swimming & Acorn Class PE

Thursday 8th December – **Northrepps Exhibition at the Village Hall**

Friday 9th December - Birch Class Forest School / Oak Class PE

Monday 12th December – **Christmas Concert and Nativity**

Tuesday 13th December – Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday 14th December – **Whole School visit to Sheringham Pantomime**

Thursday 15th December – Christmas Lunch and Party – Wear Party Clothes

Friday 16th December – **Christingle Event 9am & End of Term**