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## **WEEKLY NEWS LETTER**

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 24

### **Proud moments:**

#### Acorn

We've had a brilliant week in Acorn class, we particularly enjoyed our class trip to the farm! Shoutouts to:

Reggie for great work on his balancing skills in PE.

Avis for beautiful 1:1 work with an adult, communicating when she wanted help through taking an adult's hand.

Bradley for brilliant engagement with a farmyard cause-and-effect toy, identifying different animals. Lexi for great determination to knock down the skittles in PE.

P for super work in art, collaging tissue paper to make a lantern.

William for super interaction with Santa at the farm, smiling and giving him a high five.

Niamh for fantastic listening on our school trip, transitioning from one activity to the next beautifully.

Harry for super playing on the bouncing pillow at the farm.

Carson for helping an adult with the tidying up.

Violet for great practising holding a fork and putting some ingredients on it in lessons.

Super work Acorn class!

### Apple

L - showed excellent engagement in the volleyball activity during our sports event at Heanor Leisure

George - independently signed 'December' when learning our Sign of the Day.

Kohan-Jack - joined in with all sport activities at Heanor Leisure Centre.

Teddy D - chose to sit in the Reading Area and looked through books independently with a beautiful smile on his face.

Henri - joining in with different activities during our visit to soft play, being confident to explore the soft play.

Yanis - persevered with building a jigsaw, when he initially found it tricky.

Shey - had such a great time at Genesis in the Soft Play area, so smiley and happy!

Teddy C - asked for items in his lunchbox to be opened with minimal verbal prompts - said 'open please'.

Davids - some lovely positive interactions with peers on arrival at school.

#### Willow

Willow class have had another lovely week, we've started working on some Christmas crafts!

Eddie - Asking to use the toilet when needed, wonderful communication.

Maggie - Amazing engagement in decorating the classroom for Christmas.

Jared - Engaged beautifully in creating Christmas crafts

Ardian - Becoming more and more independent every day, fetching his own snacks

Charlie - Singing songs with staff and asking them to carry on when they stop

Elliot - Responding well to new boundaries and accessing items to regulate himself.

Eli - Working really hard on his matching activities.

#### **Beech**

Samuel - using new words.

William - responding to requests straight away.

Lucian - using the toilet appropriately.

Harrison - using peers names around school.

Benjamin - beautiful listening.

Oliver - using different equipment to self-regulate.

Joshua - responding to requests without prompts during all activities.

J - becoming more and more independent.



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#### Ash

Reece for his enthusiasm during our morning circle time.

Llan for always remembering prior learning at the start of each lesson.

Oscar for his great work on what makes him worried.

Parker for showing off his excellent writing skills when practicing his name.

Haydn for participating so well during art when painting his papier mâché.

Will for wonderful writing during English and using his phonic knowledge to spell.

Billy for working so well with all adults and being proud of his accomplishments.

Ilyess for his great work during PE focussing on his joint dance.

Tommy for his wonderful numeracy skills when counting objects and recognising numbers.

Willow for great engagement during science work linked to sounds.

Reggie for super communication when talking to adults & using their first names.

### Juniper

OG - For beautiful engagement and participation in choir - just amazing!!!

RTC- For beautiful engagement and participation playing the piano in choir - just amazing!!!

TD - Lovely choosing during different activities.

SH - Engaging beautifully in a range of sensory activities.

KB - For lovely exchanges and interactions between multiple staff throughout the week.

RJ - Fantastic engagement during our Maths lesson this week.

NW - Lovely choice making during our maths lesson this week.

### **Sycamore**

Bertie - Growing confidence in reading out loud in front of his peers.

Ed - great counting in maths.

Ellie - for super independent skills, helping at breakfast time.

Jack - for great cookery skills.

Lola - for great use of Makaton signs.

Seb - for great work in phonics.

Spencer - for confidence using his sounds in phonics.

Ben - for working hard on his physio programme.

#### **Blossom**

Asher for showing enjoyment in routine session.

Ivy for moving legs in walker up and down.

Killian for good engagement with peers around school.

J for exploring one light box to make marks in art.

Harry for showing lots of enjoyment in activities.

Teddy for using great fine motor skills in art.

L for good two-way communication with staff.

R for using great fine motor skills on the feely bags.

#### Holly

Billy remembered the word adjective as part of our English work on poetry. He is really enthusiastic about poems

Leo and Lara worked hard in the deer shed.

Ella has been talking with her classmates this week and named one of them as her friend.

Sarah worked hard practicing the Christmas song.

Harry has been walking lots, using steps and going in his walker.

Rosie worked hard at Made no18

Max worked hard independently on his poem.

Chelsea and Max had a great morning shopping with Matt.

Faith was lovely with Hugo.

Kian enjoyed going out with another class this week



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Frankie has been working hard with great enthusiasm this week.

### Cherry

Cherry class have had another great week this week. We have been working hard in phonics learning our sound 's'. We've been trying to work on recognising the days of the week and ordering them. We had a lovely community session looking for items for our enterprise project which were have now started ready for the Christmas fair.

Amy- Lovely interactions during our art session.

Dan- Brilliant interaction with our RSHE story 'rainbowfish'.

Jessica- Lovey work in RSHE find people in school who can help us, you knew exactly where to go, well done!

Jake- Lovely communication with staff and letting staff support you to brush your teeth, well done! Nathan- Fantastic work in cookery remember previous skills and trying to repeat then and then wait while the eggs were cooking, so proud!

Sharissa- Again fantastic walking in the park you are so determined its great to see.

Liam- Great work in the pool, trying to work on kicking your legs while on your front and back with staff supporting you, keep going!

#### Oak

Ashleigh for some excellent engagement and application of 'pinching the sounds' during phonics. Beth for excellent engagement during our class trip to see 'A Christmas Carol' at Derby Theatre. B., for using fingers to pinch the sounds during our phonics sessions this week, resulting in some great spelling!

B., for great work during ICT when animating drawings on the computer.

Dan for supporting Willow class during dinner time and using his great sense of humour and interaction to assist with a younger peer.

Elian for some excellent cooking and chopping skills, especially when assisting to cook the Chilli during Jacket Potatoes.

Jaydon for excellent work when out in the community, locating the correct aisles for targeted items. Lucas for preparing and following instructions when cooking the chilli for Jacket Potatoes and being far more confident in using the hob.

Pete for offering great insight and advice to one of his Oak peers.

Ruby for offering great support and friendships to peers in Holly class.

Billy for offering to support a peer to locate the correct page during reading time.

Jake for some excellent reading during DEAR Time of James and the Giant Peach.

Logan for some excellent engagement, listening and retaining on information during our trip to Derby Theatre.

Alfie for great work during our daily spelling sessions, showing improvements each day.

#### Hazel

The whole class for an amazing Christmas trip, all the pupils were so well behaved and loved seeing Santa

# How can you help?

Please note the remaining two INSET days for 2024/25 have changed to Mon 20<sup>th</sup> Jan 25 and Fri 7<sup>th</sup> March 25.

### Dates to remember:



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Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Dec- Christmas Jumper Day Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Dec- 1.30-3.00pm- Friends Christmas Fayre

Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Dec- Christmas Dinner Day
Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Dec- Christmas Concerts 10am- Acorn, Apple, Ash, Juniper, Blossom, Hazel and

sycamore. 2pm- Willow, Beech, Larch, Holly, Cherry and Oak.

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec- Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan- Christmas holidays

Mon 20th Jan- INSET Day

Mon 17th Feb- Fri 21st Feb- Half Term

Fri 7<sup>th</sup> March- INSET Day

