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Dear Parents and Carers,

A very short one from me this week. I wanted to thank you all for your kindness and support over this past half term. We have made such a bright start to the year. Having a fresh pair of eyes on practices and teaching through Miss Bentley has been transformative. I want to thank the staff team and of course the children for embracing the changes she has been working with us on. It is lovely to see this impact across the school. Over half term, the communal areas will be having a much-needed spruce up and this will help make the environment an even better space to work in.

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'G Tucker'.

Gary Tucker
Headteacher

Beacon

The children have been busy writing up their non-chronological reports on either Edinburgh or Orkney after they enjoyed their time researching these amazing Scottish locations. They have taken so much pride in their presentations, formal language and use of subordinating conjunctions. In Maths, they have been using their number sense to estimate points on number lines with numbers up to 10 million and working hard to use mathematical skills learned and quick maths retrieval practice. We are continuing with our focus on coastal features and how they are made and investigating the Sikh faith.



Alfoxton

In our class, we have been learning about how Anglo-Saxons used to live. We have explored the different roles of people from history (from slaves to kings) as well as how they built their homes and the foods they farmed and ate. In Art, we have finished off our Anglo-Saxon pendants and are learning about Anglo-Saxon pottery. We have designed our own coil pots which we will make next week before painting and varnishing them. In Maths, we have been learning about the composition of numbers up to 1,000, learning our 5 times table and counting forwards and backwards to 1,000 in steps of 1, 10 and 100. You can help us at home by practising this with us.

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Alfoxton continued...

In Science, we have been exploring freezing, melting and evaporation points of water. We placed warm water into a bowl, covered it with cling film, placed ice on top and watched to see what would happen. Ask us what we found out!

We have had such a wonderful week!



Triscombe

It's been a busy week with lots of learning. In adventures, we learned about bread and had the opportunity to knead and make our own bread, which was very tasty!! We couldn't wait to taste them. Next week we are looking forward to making muffins. We hope they will be as delicious as our bread rolls. In Geography, we looked at a bird's eye view of Stogursey village and our school. We had fun trying to find our homes from above. This week we will use our knowledge of maps to create our own maps to guide us on an Autumn walk. That will be fun! Hopefully, our walk won't be too muddy and we will see all the physical and human features of our village as well as its landmarks.



Preschool

For the last two weeks of this term, we are learning about 'Autumn'. We have explored our tray full of Autumn treasures and used magnifying glasses to explore some of the objects closer. We have learned two new words - 'Migration' and 'Hibernation' and have talked about why Hedgehogs hibernate and why some birds migrate. The children made their own 'Autumn colours' playdough and added mixed spices to get an Autumn smell!

We have been looking and talking about different aspects of Autumn by looking at Autumn fact cards during circle time and discussing the pictures on the cards. We have also been leaf threading and have been doing some Autumn maths measuring to see which objects were 'smallest', 'largest', 'tallest' or 'smallest'



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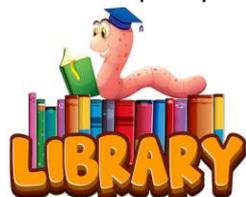
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Library

Our lovely library is always having upgrades to keep it super inviting for children and adults alike! This week, we have some new, giant floor cushions, two new rugs and some super soft pillows so we can snuggle down and enjoy books in a comfortable environment!

Also, we have new, sparkly lighting going in next week. There will be beautiful blues and crystal white twinkly lights with some pretty star shaped lighting to make the library feel like a calm space to enjoy reading.



Important Dates

Thursday 24 th October:	Whole School Flu Vaccinations
Monday 28 th October-Friday 1 st November:	Half Term
Thursday 7 th November:	Individual and Sibling Photos
Monday 11 th – 15 th November:	Anti Bullying Week
Tuesday 12 th November:	Parents Evening 16.00pm-18.00pm
Wednesday 13 th November:	Parents Evening 16.00pm-17.00pm
Friday 22 nd November:	Inset Day
Wednesday 11 th December:	Christmas Dinner (please ensure you have registered with our HSM app)
Thursday 12 th December:	Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 20 th December:	Christingle at the Church 2.00pm
Friday 20 th December:	Last Day of Term
Tuesday 7 th January 2025:	First Day Back

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