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Dear Parents and Carers,

It was lovely to hear how proud the children made us when they recently visited the church for the Arts Fest. Please see below for more details. Every Friday, I teach Beacon class and they have made me very proud with their artwork. We have been learning about watercolour techniques and the creativity and imagination coming from this class has been exceptional. I also got the chance to teach Alfoxton this week and they were very creative with their story writing. Sadly, my short unit on woodworking has come to an end in Triscombe class as they move onto cookery next week. I have been so pleased with their drive to improve their measuring, marking and sawing skills. When I return, we are going to use our skills to design and make our own birdhouses to spruce the school site up! There are so many exciting things happening in our school!

Kind Regards

Gary Tucker
Headteacher

Beacon

Beacon class have had an excellent week of learning this week. The children have edited and improved their selkie tradition tales and I must say, I am very impressed with their writing and their imaginations. They used their imaginations to interpret a dream from the book this week with some wonderful results.

We are continuing to look at numbers to 10 million in maths and how this large number is made up. This will hopefully be useful for the children's futures, when they are all millionaires!

Alfoxton

This week in our Science lesson, we made everybody jealous by making chocolate rice crispy cakes! Anyone might think it was a cooking class, but no! We were learning about the melting points of different solids. We tried to melt chocolate using water at 10 Degrees Celsius, 40 Degrees Celsius, and 90 Degrees Celsius (with super supervision of course). We predicted that the chocolate would melt at 90oC and some of us thought it might even melt at 10oC. We found out that chocolate won't melt at all at 10 Degrees Celsius, will only melt the smallest amount around the edges at 40 Degrees Celsius but melts quickly at 90 Degrees Celsius.

Did you know that when a solid turns into a liquid, the particles, that are tightly bound together, begin to break and move around? Isn't it fascinating?

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Alfoxton Class continued...

In English, we have written the draft copy of our own stories based on Arthur and the Sword in the Stone. We changed the characters and the weapon to make the stories unique! We have edited them and are now ready to write them in our neatest writing (so you can see them on parents' evening!).

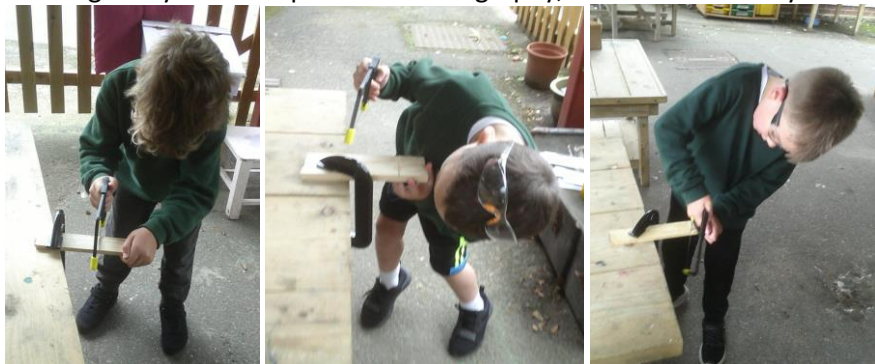
In Maths, we are learning about the composition of numbers to 100. Did you know that 100 can be made of four 25s, or two 50s, or even 10 ten times!

Finally, in Art we have been designing some Anglo-Saxon pendants that we will be making in the next few weeks. Did you know that Anglo-Saxons used amethyst and garnet in their jewellery - it was very beautiful and the decorations were so intricate! (We've been learning that word - intricate).



Triscombe

It's been another busy week in Triscombe class. We have come to the end of our woodwork sessions and we have learned a lot like controlling a saw, being safe around tools and precision cutting. In Reception, we have started learning tricky words in phonics. In Geography, we discovered why there are seasons and what makes them change.



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Preschool

For the next two weeks of term, we are learning about Harvest Festival. We have looked at what happens during the harvest by watching a short video and have been looking at where some of our food produce comes from by watching cows being milked and wheat being ground into flour. We have been listening to the Harvest Samba and using musical instruments to create our own Harvest rhythm. We have been engaged in various Harvest themed activities; including fine motor control button, pen control and farm and food themed puzzles and have been using playdough to make our own representations of the food we eat.



Art News

Alfoxton and Beacon Class had the privilege of visiting the Stogursey Arts Festival at St. Andrew's Church. It was amazing to learn about the artwork and local artists and to see all the mythical sea creatures around the church. Amongst them were aquatic creatures the children had created in school. Everyone was so proud to see their work in display for the community to appreciate. We all look forward to taking part again next year.

We wanted to share some positive feedback from members of our village community.

One person commented how polite and well behaved our pre-school and older children were whilst walking in the village last week. She described it as 'an absolute joy to see.'

Further feedback included the school's wonderful artwork displayed in the Church for the Arts Festival last week.

One person commented "I took a picture, it was the only one I took" High praise indeed!

Well done everybody!



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Reading Corner

All children (from Pre-School to Year 6) will begin visiting our school library every week to enjoy all the new books we have to offer. Every week, the children will have the opportunity to 'check out' a book which they will bring home to read. This is a book for your child to enjoy with you. We hope you can read this book to, or with your child and enjoy the text. Perhaps over a hot chocolate and biscuits as the cold weather draws in! Enjoy!



Important Dates

Wednesday 9th October:

Tuesday 15th October:

Thursday 24th October:

Monday 28th October-Friday 1st November:

Monday 11th – 15th November:

Tuesday 12th November:

Wednesday 13th November:

Harvest Festival at the Church 2.30pm-3.30pm

Individual and Sibling Photos

Whole School Flu Vaccinations

Half Term

Anti Bullying Week

Parents Evening 16.00pm-18.00pm

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