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Dear Parents and Carers,

Another week has passed and it has been another delightful week. Every Wednesday, I run a board games club where the children and I run role-playing games. Not only is this good for vocabulary development but it is also good for imagination and the children come along engaging so well with it. More children are getting interested in it and have even requested I run another group on another day! It is so good to see children engaging with enrichment that we offer in school. I am hoping to have the Smart School Council re-established next half term so that children can set up their own clubs, following their own passions and interests.

Talking of role-playing, I have been in an out of classes this week and I have been delighted to see the Triscombe children playing in their new garden centre. I always look forward to seeing the changes to the role play areas in both Triscombe and the Pre-school and how this develops language in all our children.

Kind Regards

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Gary Tucker Headteacher

Beacon

It was so lovely to have our whole-school trip to St Andrew's Church on Wednesday for the Harvest Festival. There were so many generous donations from our parent and carer community and it was heart-warming to see so many of you there with us to join in with this important date in the religious and school calendar. The children were fabulous with their confident contributions to the ceremony and their up-lifting singing voices.

To be part of a community that is so nurturing and warm is at the center of what we believe as a school. We look forward to seeing you all there on 20th December to join us and your children for our Christingle service.







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Alfoxton

In Alfoxton Class, we have been busy learning our 10, 5 and 2 times tables this week, please help us practise these at home so we can be really confident counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.

In English, we have been learning to write letters to convince Miss Barnwell to use a magical Nimbus pen when she is writing. This will help us when we write letters to convince people that the Excalibur sword is the best sword in the world. Did you know it's scabbard has magical powers?

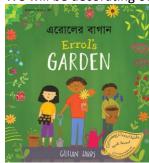
Also, we visited the library to choose books to bring home and read at home. We will change these every Monday so help us to remember to bring these back every Monday. These books we can share at home. We can read them to our parents/carers, brothers and sisters or listen to our parents/cares read them to us. We hope you enjoy sharing these with us!



Triscombe

Our book in Triscombe is 'Errol's garden', in line with the book, our home corner has turned in a garden centre. In Adventurers, we tried different types of bread. We had lots of fun in PE, balancing a beanbag on the back of our hands and on our elbows. We practised being team players and supporting our friends in our teams. We thoroughly enjoyed the parachute in PE.

We will be decorating our Diva lamps in RE, we hope they will be as beautiful as the Divali lamps we've seen!







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Preschool

This week at Preschool, we have continued to learn about the Harvest festival. We had a vegetable tough tray, and the children enjoyed digging up the vegetables and exploring their different textures and smells. We practised our fine motor skills by cutting out some farm objects and using them to create our own farming pictures and we counted vegetables and practised writing our numbers. We used playdough to make tractor wheels, scarecrows hats, carrots and wheat sheaves and we made an apple and blackberry crumble with the fruit we picked on last week's walk. We then enjoyed eating it with some custard! We also joined the rest of the school on Wednesday afternoon at the church to celebrate the Harvest festival.











Amazing Art

In our school we LOVE art! So much so, that we will be sharing all of our creative experiences with you in our school newsletters – we hope you enjoy seeing what we create as much as we enjoy producing it!

In Triscombe, we have been making collage self-portraits. Take a look at some of art pieces below!

In Alfoxton Class, we have made intricate Anglo-Saxon pendants from clay. We embellished them with tiny, glittery gemstones (like the ones real Anglo-Saxons used in their pendants). Did you know that Anglo-Saxons used garnets and amethysts to decorate their jewelry, which was made from either: gold, silver, bronze or copper!

In Beacon Class, we have been exploring watercolour techniques. We used salt over wet paint to see what effect it would have. Have a look at some of our experimenting below!









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Reading Corner

This week, our library has been updated with lots of our underwater art from the Stogursey Arts Festival. It really feels like we are swimming under the sea when we enjoy the books in the library now!

All classes are visiting the library once a week to read and borrow books so make sure you share, read and enjoy these at home.

It was lovely to see all pupils enjoying the book fair and choosing wonderful texts to read at home - we look forward to this happening again in the future.



Parents of children with SEND

On Tuesday 22nd October, we will be holding face to face meetings to check in with parents of children with SEND to see how things are going as we have returned back. This is part of our commitment to a fully-inclusive educational experience. A member of our Senior Leadership Team will be in touch this coming week to make arrangements.

Important Dates

Tuesday 15th October: Individual and Sibling Photos
Thursday 24th October: Whole School Flu Vaccinations

Monday 28th October-Friday 1st November: Half Term

Monday 11th – 15th November: Anti Bullying Week

Tuesday 12th November: Parents Evening 16.00pm-18.00pm Wednesday 13th November: Parents Evening 16.00pm-17.00pm

Friday 22nd November: Inset Day

Wednesday 11th December: Christmas Dinner
Thursday 12th December: Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 20th December: Christingle at the Church 2.00pm

Friday 20th December: Last Day of Term Tuesday 7th January 2025: First Day Back