

Dear Chiddingly families,

As we are nearing the end of the first term, we are reflecting on what a great start to the year we have had! All classes have definitely shown the skill of teamwork, coming together with their new classes and sharing experiences.

What a fun week we have had this week, where we were finally able to showcase our Harvest learning. Well done to all the children for being a part of the assembly and thank you all for coming to celebrate the harvest with us! The performances showed our teamwork and



positivity and how this runs through the school, well done everyone! Thank you also for the huge amounts of food you all donated. This has gone to the Hailsham Food Bank and it was very gratefully received.

As this is the last newsletter of the term, please be reminded that the last day of term 1 is Friday 21st October and we return to school on **Monday 31st October**. Have a fun, safe half term! Miss Taylor

Skills Builders (Next Two Weeks)

You are welcome to join us in our celebration assemblies on Fridays at 9.15am.

The following children will be celebrating their Skills Builders in the next two weeks:

Friday 21st October

Jack Jocelyn Freddy B Jacinda

Friday 4th November

Mabel Sophie
McKenzie Owen

Oak Class Request

Please can we ask for donations of clean jam jars! Please give any to Miss Boswell.



Skills Builders

Congratulations to these children who had their Skills Builders celebrated in the last two weeks.











Positivity Board



Class Updates

Oak

Last week Oak Class went on a nature walk as part of our harvest learning. We collected lots of different things, including conkers, acorns, leaves and horse chestnut shells. We have also been thinking about what we like about each other and how to work as a team. You may have seen the love hearts on the Oak Class window at school pick up and drop off times. These show some of the many things that we think are great about each other.



Beech

Beech have been so busy over the last few weeks and the adults in the classroom have been really proud of their enthusiasm when learning. They have been busy practicing their skills when in independent discovery time, investigating materials in science and retelling the story of Traction Man. They have kept all the adults around school entertained by their own versions of the stories and telling them about 'Wicked Dr Glove' or 'Poisonous Dishcloth'!





Willow

In Willow, we have really enjoyed preparing for our Harvest Festival, and foraged for resources to make 'conker people'. To go with this, we used the remaining resources for a harvest scene. The children have also been busy designing and inventing in their music lessons, making their own instruments through junk modelling. As we approach the end of our topic, we have been recapping our topical reading, as well as looking at the invention of the electric lightbulb and alternate sources of energy; experimenting with our own lightbulb circuits and paper wind turbines.



Sycamore

Sycamore Class have been inventing their own spy gadgets linked to their code-breaking topic. They then had a lot of fun, looking at adverts and trying to persuade others to buy their special gadgets in mini-dramas!







Forest School (This Week)

This week Sycamore Class had a craft afternoon in the hall for Forest School. They made a wide range of things, including lanterns by covering jam jars with colourful paper tissue. They also rolled out clay and made it into a bowl shape to then print with leaves. They did some weaving with yarn and sticks. They made 'autumn scenes' with acorns (as the mouse) and sticks and acorn caps (for the mushrooms). Lastly, they drilled holes in conkers and used string to play the game 'conkers'.

Please note that there will not be a Forest School session in the last week of term (20th October) and so children should come into school wearing school uniform. We would like to say a massive thank you to Miss Waterman for arranging all of this term's activities and also to the parents who regularly volunteer to help.





















Forest School (Last Week)

Last week Sycamore Class did some sorting of the flower beds and replanted some potted plants. They also did some whittling, used the saws and knives, lit a fire using fire flints, cooked smores and had free exploration.



Dates For Your Diary!

October 2022

18th—Beech Class trip to Brighton Toy Museum

21st—Term 1 ends

31st—Term 2 starts

November 2022

8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th—Willow Class Swimming sessions at Bede's

8th & 10th —Parent Consultations

14th—Anti-bullying week

16th—Year 5/6 cross country event

19th—Open day for next year's intake 10am-12pm

December 2022

1st—Open day for next year's intake 9.30am to 11.30am

9th—Travelling crib in assembly (from Chiddingly church)

12th—Nativity dress rehearsal (time tbc)

13th—Nativity (time tbc)

16th—Term 2 ends

January 2023

4th—Term 3 starts

February 2023

10th—Term 3 ends

20th—Term 4 starts

March 2023

31st— Term 4 ends

April 2023

17th—Term 5 starts

May 2023

1st—Bank Holiday

26th—Term 5 ends

CALENDAR

June 2023

6th—Term 6 starts

<u>July 2023</u>

20th—Term 6 ends



Carried away with Naomi & Ed

Ed Boxall and Naomi Burrell mini library tour!

Join children's author, illustrator and performer Ed and master-musician Naomi for an exciting new performance based on Ed's book *Carried Away with the Carnival*. Expect inspirational illustrations, splendid stories, marvellous movement and magnificent music!

Friday 28 October Lewes Library 2.30-3.30pm

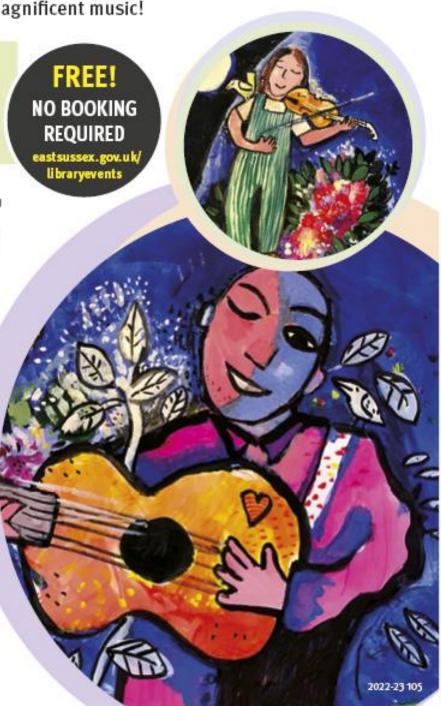
Ed Boxall is a children's writer, illustrator and performer. His many books include Francis the Scaredy Cat and Mr Trim and Miss jumble with Walker Books. As well as his own books Ed loves to illustrate for beloved poet Brian Moses and their latest collaboration Selfles with Komodos is out in January.

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Naomi Burrell is an incredible classically trained violinist, recently elected to the Royal Academy of Music for contributions to the music profession. Naomi has collaborated with Ed at his library events, adding wonderful accompaniment to his stories and songs; getting everyone moving and Joining in with the music!

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