

Friday 20th March

Long Wittenham C.E. Primary School



Show our love through kindness, determination and curiosity; strengthening ourselves and our community

It has been another busy and rewarding week here at Long Wittenham. The children have worked with great determination throughout assessment week, approaching their assessments with positivity and showcasing their progress and achievements. It has been wonderful to see the effort and commitment they are bringing to their learning.

The iRock concert was a real highlight of the week. Our young musicians performed with confidence and skill, and the concentration they showed was a credit to them. We were delighted to welcome so many of you to support them and hope you enjoyed the performance as much as we did.

Thank you to all those who joined us for our first revised celebration assembly this week. We celebrated children who have consistently demonstrated our school values of kindness, curiosity, and determination. In addition to receiving a certificate to take home, they were awarded a golden leaf to be displayed on our celebration tree. Over time, we hope to see the tree filled with leaves, each one reflecting our children living out our school values and reminding us what fantastic members of our school community they are. Each class also shared a piece of outstanding work, showcasing the creativity and breadth of learning taking place across the school.

As we approach the end of term, attendance remains very important. Every day in school matters and, with only one week remaining, there is still much to look forward to, including Pine Class's Easter performance of The Three Trees, our Easter service, and the annual Easter Egg raffle.

Miss Clarke

This Weeks Learning

Acorn Class:

This week in Acorn Class, the children have continued to enjoy exploring the story The Tiny Seed. They have been busy designing leaflets to warn the seeds about the different dangers they might face along their journey. In maths, the children have been developing their understanding of numbers within 10, with a particular focus on the "special case" where two equal parts combine to make a whole. We have also been making the most of the lovely sunshine, with the children enjoying time in the garden building camps, getting creative, and digging in the mud kitchen!

Mrs Beeton & Mrs Humphries

Birch Class:

This week, we have read the book A Hero Called Wolf and have written our own stories where the wolf becomes the hero rather than the villain. In maths, we have been learning about measurement, while in science we have been testing the strength of different materials. We applied this learning in DT by designing and making chairs to meet a design brief, with some fantastic results. In history, we have been exploring how castles have changed over time and revisiting their key features; we are really enjoying learning about these fascinating buildings.

Miss Clarke

Pine Class:

This week Pine class have been focusing on rehearsing for our upcoming Easter performance. Aside from that we have also been completing English and Maths assessments. Our history lesson this week focused on Stonehenge,

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asking and answering questions about how it came to be and what its purpose was. In science we learnt about the impact humans have on various animals' habitats such as plastic pollution and deforestation. In RE we talked about the impact of Good Friday on Jesus, his disciples and Christians in general. Lastly, we are in the process of sewing our own Egyptian collars in DT.

Mrs McNamee

Oak Class:

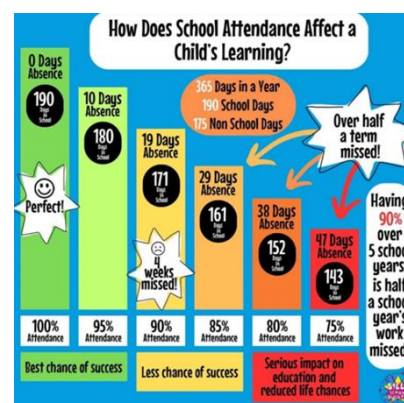
This week, Oak Class have been completing their assessments, approaching them with focus and determination while also reflecting on their learning and identifying next steps to support their progress. In English, we have been developing our writing skills by learning how to build tension within our narratives, using carefully chosen vocabulary and sentence structures to engage the reader. In history, we have been learning about the Blitz, gaining an understanding of its impact on Britain during the war and reflecting on the experiences of those who lived through it.

Mrs Greenway

Attendance Update

Whole school attendance: 95.77%
Congratulations Birch Class with 97.9%

If you are not sure if your child is well enough to come to school please check the following guidance: [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS](#)



| Dates for your Diaries 2026 | |
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| Monday 23 rd February (until 18 th May) | Forest School for Reception, Years 1 & 2 |
| Tuesday 24 th March | Pine Class Performance 2:30pm & 5:30pm |
| Wednesday 22 nd April | Oak Class Food & Farming Workshop, Earth Trust Parents Evening 3:30-5:30pm |
| Thursday 23 rd April | Parents Evening 5:00-7:00pm |
| Friday 24 th April | Birch Class Assembly 3:00pm |
| Week beginning 11 th May | SATs Week |
| Friday 15 th May | Celebration Assembly |
| Tuesday 19 th May | Sports Day- 10:00am followed by picnic lunch |
| Thursday 21 st May | Year 6s, Junior Citizens (Rewley Road Fire Station) |
| Week beginning 8 th June | Phonics screening check |
| Friday 19 th June | Acorn Class Assembly 3:00pm |
| Friday 10 th July | Celebration Assembly |
| Wednesday 15 th July | Oak Class Performance 2pm & 6pm |