

Newsletter – 18th November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are already a good way into the second half of the Autumn term and the children are thoroughly enjoying their learning, extra-curricular clubs and personal development activities. There are so many good things going on!

Nativity and ticket allocation

The children in Pre-School, EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 are busy learning their lines and songs ready for their production of 'Everyone loves a baby'. It's starting to sound brilliant!

There will be two performances...

Tuesday 3rd December 9.30am for Pre-School and EYFS parents only

Thursday 5th December 9.30am for Year 1 and Year 2 parents only

2 tickets will be available per child, per performance. No physical tickets, just turn up!

We are restricted by the number of people we can have in the hall due to fire regulations.

I know that the children will be very excited to perform for you!



Christmas at Measham – Thursday 5th December

Once again, we will be performing at the Christmas light switch on in Measham. We would like to invite all of our school-age children (not Pre-School, sorry) to join us! It would be lovely to see you there! Please pop the date in your diary and we will let you know timings closer to the date.

Book fair and Children in Need

Thank you to everyone for your wonderful support in both of these events. We raised a wonderful £170 for Children in Need and we earned a terrific amount of commission at the book fair allowing us to buy some fantastic new books for our children. We really are very grateful!

Up and coming events organised by the PFA

Our wonderful PFA have got several fun events planned between now and Christmas. Thank you!

Monday 25th November 3pm – 3.30pm - **Christmas jumper and uniform sale** – any donations gratefully received, please hand them in at the office.

Christmas movie nights are being organised on

Wednesday 11th December for EYFS, Year 1 & 2

Wednesday 18th December for Year 3 – 6.

These will be straight after school, more details on how to sign your child up will follow soon!

Our **Christmas Fair** is on Friday 6th December (after school) and if we're lucky, the big man in red might drop in too.

There's so much to look forward to!

Primary School Applications – DEADLINE – 31st January 2025

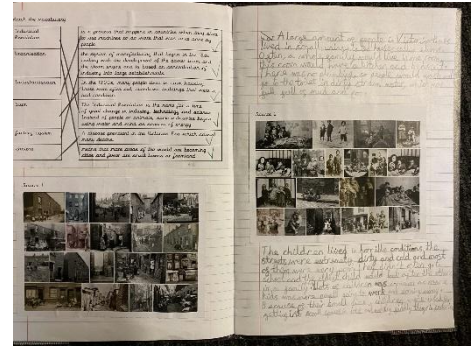
Do you have a little one who is due to start school in September 2025? Don't forget to apply by the 31st January 2025. The simplest way to apply is online at:

<https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools-colleges-and-academies/apply-for-a-school-place>

Updates from the classes

Foxes

Foxes have had a fantastic few weeks getting back into autumn 2. They have been designing their African masks, which we have started to make - looking at the Benin Kingdom and what these masks would have been used for. They have been looking at a range of sentence structures, including a 'triple 'ing' sentence', a 'zoom-in' sentence and thinking carefully how we can construct these to support our description. In mathematics, the Foxes have been working hard on their 4 operations, concluding with the order of operations (one of my favourites) and the successes of this is beginning to show. Look out for fractions next time! Alongside this, they have been designing their own Christmas computer game, completing activities about 'respect' for anti-bullying week and beginning to take a look into the Industrial revolution - it's interesting how the longest serving monarchs in the country have both been Queens!



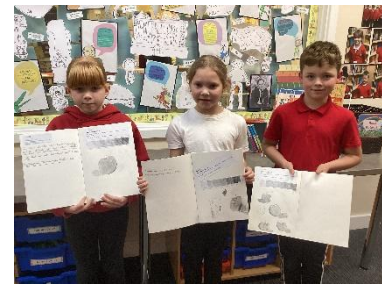
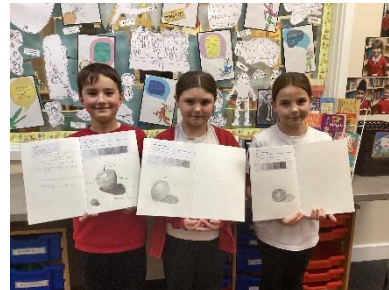
Owls

Owls came back after half term with lots of energy to put into their learning. They enjoyed their Geography lessons on renewable energy and got stuck into their new topic on The Benin Kingdom. In Maths they worked hard on the addition and subtraction problem solving using inverse operations and rounding numbers. They are also really enjoying the gymnastics sessions on a Wednesday morning.



Squirrels

Squirrels class have had a great start to this half term! They have started their swimming sessions with such enthusiasm and have been wowing us with their perseverance. In art they have been looking at light and shadow and trying to include this in their own drawings. In computing we have been creating our own digital images and looking at how to edit them using software. We have started looking at non-chronological reports and finding facts about different animals to include.



Moles

This half term so far has been full of exciting activities and learning, that have kept us all engaged. We kicked off the half-term with a multi-sport afternoon, which the children loved that got us all moving and helped foster a sense of teamwork and sportsmanship. In science we have been looking at nutrition and even discussed how are school meals are a balanced meal containing the food groups that we all need to be healthy. We are looking forward to continuing our learning about how our bodies move. This week for anti-bullying we have discussed what respect means, why it matters and how we can show it in our lives both in school and at home.



Badgers

Year Two has had an exciting couple of weeks filled with learning and creativity. We've been exploring the history of Measham railway, and our recent trip was a fantastic experience, with the children soaking up lots of interesting information. In art, we've been inspired by Picasso, and the children have created some wonderful pieces that really show their creativity. Mrs. Beighton has also been thrilled with their math skills; they've been using a variety of addition and subtraction strategies and impressing us all. Well done Year Two!



Rabbits

Rabbits have had a brilliant start to Autumn 2, everybody has returned to school with great positivity and an eagerness to learn. In Science we have continued our learning on the seasons, in particular; the movement of air, rainfall, cloud formation and how the weather is reported. We have moved onto polysyllabic words in phonics, subtraction in Maths and exploring sentence structure through Jack and the Beanstalk in English. In RE we are learning all about the Christmas Story and in PE we have been developing our balancing and co-ordination skills in gymnastics. Not to forget, learning all our parts for the nativity ready to showcase our talents. Well done Rabbits, what fantastic work!



Butterflies

Since coming back after half term, EYFS have been enjoying finding out about Bonfire Night and Diwali! They have been busy cooking chapattis, making diva lamps, creating firework artwork and exploring different sources of light. Children have also been busy practicing for their nativity 'Everyone Loves a Baby' which we will be performing in December!



Caterpillars

Pre-School have been reading the book 'Night monkey, Day monkey' by Julia Donaldson and 'WOW its night time' by Tim Hopgood. The children have been finding out about animals that sleep during the day and are awake and finding food at night. We now know that Owls, hedgehogs and bats are Nocturnal. What super learning Pre-School!



Attendance

There are **190** days in a school year which leaves **175** days to spend on family time, shopping, appointments and other things.



You can check your child's attendance on Arbor.

Library donations

We would welcome donations to our library of any Harry Potter or Dog Man books – these are proving very popular at the moment! Thank you!

PE

On PE days we ask that the children come to school in their PE kit. Our school PE kit is black joggers/leggings/shorts with their white PE t-shirt and their school jumper/cardigan/hoodie. Trainers can be worn.

Foxes will do PE on **Wednesday and Friday**

Owls will do PE on **Wednesday and Friday**

Squirrels will do PE on **Tuesday and Wednesday**

Moles will do PE on **Tuesday and Thursday**

Badgers will do PE on **Thursday and Friday**

Rabbits will do PE on **Tuesday and Wednesday**

EYFS will do PE on **Tuesday and Friday**

If you do have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,



Hannah Carter
Headteacher



Dates for your diary

HALF TERM	
Tuesday 19 th November	Y5/6 Football vs Albert Village @ Ivanhoe School
Friday 22 nd November	Y4 and some Y5/Y6 swimming
Monday 25 th November	Christmas jumper and uniform sale
	Y5/6 Football vs Griffydham Away
Thursday 28 th November	Let's Get Moving Awards Ceremony – Sports Ambassadors
Friday 29 th November	Y4 and some Y5/Y6 swimming
Tuesday 3 rd December	9.30am Nativity performance to Pre-School and EYFS parents/carers
Thursday 5 th December	9.30am Nativity performance Y1 and Y2 to parents/carers
	Christmas @ Measham/Christmas light switch on in the village
Friday 6 th December	Santa Fun Run – wear Christmas jumpers
	Y4 and some Y5/Y6 swimming
	PFA Christmas Fair
Tuesday 10 th December	Flu immunisations – more information to follow
Wednesday 11 th December	EYFS, Y1 and Y2 Christmas Movie Night
Thursday 12 th December	Pantomime in school for all children – A Christmas carol
Friday 13 th December	Y4 and some Y5/Y6 swimming
	ALL AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS FINISH
Monday 16 th December	10am Christmas service in church Everyone welcome!
	Christmas lunch
Tuesday 17 th December	Choir singing Christmas carols at Age Concern
Wednesday 18 th December	Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 Christmas Movie Night
Friday 20 th December	Finish for the Christmas holidays
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS	
Monday 6 th January 2025	Return to school

Christmas at Measham

Thursday 5th December 2024
5pm until 8pm
High Street and Church Grounds

Lloads of stalls, featuring....

Caribbean Food	Dog Treats	Mulled Wine	Cookie Dough
Donuts	Face Painting	Food & Drink	Bratwurst
Burgers	Jewelry	Candles	Gin & Vodka

Melody Blue Choir	Newhall Brass Band	Elf & the Grinch	Santa's Grotto
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Measham Events
BRINGING THE COMMUNITY TOGETHER



MEASHAM AFTERNOON DROP IN 2025



TUESDAY

7th January 4th March

6th May 1st July

1.30pm—3pm

Refreshments provided

MEASHAM FAMILY HUB
BOSWORTH ROAD, MEASHAM DE12 7LG
0116 3055993

For families—Pop along to meet new people,
get some advice and guidance and simply
have a chat