

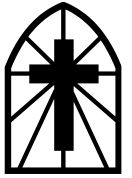


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'Shine as Lights in the World'

Autumn Term News

Week Ending: Friday 3rd October 2025



Our School Value for the month of October is 'Sharing'

Our Jigsaw PSHE themes for the Autumn Term are 'Being Me in the World & Celebrating Difference'

Our St. Michael's Golden Rule is: 'We will treat one another in a fair and equal way and treat others in the way we wish to be treated.'

Our Value for October - Sharing



This year's Bishop's Harvest Appeal is called 'Rewrite Their Future'. In partnership with Mission Direct, donations will be given

to support work in Uganda and Zambia, focused on building schools and improving access to education in some of the world's most under-resourced communities. At a time when 250 million children globally are not in school, this is one small way we can help. Thanks to the generosity over the last 20 years, Mission Direct have been able to build 49 schools. The children who access these schools are given the opportunity to 'Rewrite Their Future' because they are receiving the opportunity of a completely different life. They gain hope and aspirations that would have been out of reach if they could not attend a school. We watched a video where we met Esther and Francis who attend school funded by Mission Direct and they want to become an airline pilot and an accountant. We will let you know more details about our harvest gifts later this month.

Our New Website

We are delighted that our new [website](#) has been launched! Do take a look at the [class pages](#) where teachers have been working hard to put on useful information as well as photos of what the children have been up to already. Under the Shining as Lights Page, I have put recent photos of [Elm Class](#) and their recent church service and under the Parent Page in the Gallery are photos from our recent [Crossing Engagement Day](#). Take some time to look around it and let us know what you think and any improvements we can make.

Play and Stay

Last Friday Mrs Peters spent just over an hour in the Forest School with some local pre-school children. They explored the area, heard the story of the Gruffalo and made some of the characters from playdough, and stuck leaves and sticks on an outline of a hedgehog. Lots of fun! Thank you to Mrs. Peters and Miss Hayes for supporting this new venture. If anyone is interested in joining the next 'Play and



Stay' please see attached leaflet or pass it on to neighbours and friends.

Lunchtime Clubs

Our Year 6 are full of ideas to support and encourage our children at lunchtimes and on Monday the children were enjoying dance club. As you can see it was well attended and the younger children had lots of fun! Thank you to the girls for providing this each week.



Our Year 6 children also started an art club, focusing on Autumn art and a netball club for the younger children this week. As you can see from the photos and our Instagram, fun was had by all! Oak Class are really stepping up this year to think of amazing activities to entertain their younger peers.



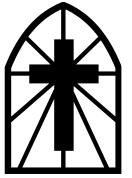


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Year 5 Reading Buddies

It's not just our Year 6 children helping in school, as our Year 5 reading buddies have begun working with our Year 2s, giving up part of their lunchtime to support Cherry Class with their reading. Thank you!



Reading is the most important support that you can give your child at home and teachers would like me to remind you of the importance of reading with your child at home. There is much research to show that reading is key to supporting children across the curriculum as well as improving their wellbeing. Please try to read with your child this weekend! Thank you for your support!

Pupil Progress Meetings Years 1-6

You will see by the diary dates, that we have brought these forward this year to this half term. We have reflected on these evenings and reports, as well as taken feedback from parents/carers and we think that it is a good idea to speak with teachers to learn how your child has settled in their new class. There will no longer be a written report each term, but teachers will be able to speak to you about progress, strengths, areas to work on and attitude to learning. We hope the discussion will prove helpful. Our end of year report will (like last year's) provide an overall summary of where your child is in relation to expectations as well as targets for the following year. Our Book Looks will take place after half term.

Hello Yellow Day



This year, we will again be taking part in Hello Yellow Day next Friday 10th October, a day where we come to school wearing

our own clothes - preferably something yellow - to support 'YoungMinds', a fantastic charity supporting children's mental health. We will be collecting donations digitally, through our



online sponsorship page so scan the QR code to donate. Alternatively, you can click [here](#).

Lunchtime Construction

Just a reminder that if anyone has any spare tyres and/or decking boards, or knows anywhere we could get some, please let the office know. The children are enjoying making obstacle courses and constructing buildings during lunchtime.

Attendance Cup

Congratulations to **Beech Class** this week with 98.4% attendance - amazing!

Celebration of Work

Congratulations to the following children, who shared their work with the school in our Celebration Assembly.

- Willow Class: aliya
- Cherry Class: Danielle & Walter
- Redwood Class: Charlotte
- Elm Class: Elliott & Polly
- Beech Class: Dan
- Oak Class: Isla & Oscar H

Celebration of our School Vision and Values

Well done to the children listed below, for demonstrating our School Vision and Values.

- Willow Class: Zoe
- Cherry Class: Eliza
- Redwood Class: Leo V
- Elm Class: Lola & Olivia
- Beech Class: Nathaniel
- Oak Class: Theodore

Reading Plus Certificates (Elm & Beech Class)

Congratulations to William, Diellza, Eddie, Aidan, Sienna, Freddie, Troy & Luca for receiving their reading plus certificates this week.





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What's On:

- 6.10.25 - Kindness Challenge Week
- 8.10.25 - Harvest Around the World Day
- 10.10.25 - Hello Yellow Day for Young Minds
- 13.10.25 - Bishop's Harvest Appeal
 - Individual Photographs
- 15.10.25 - KS2 Pilgrimage to Datchworth All Saints Church
- 18.10.25 - Quiz Night (PTA event)
- 21.10.25 - 8.45 for 9.00am start - PTA AGM
 - **Pupil Progress Meetings Years 1 - 6**
- 22.10.25 - **Pupil Progress Meetings Years 1 - 6**
- 24.10.25 - Non-uniform day in exchange for a raffle prize or bottle (PTA)
 - 'Stay & Play' for pre-school children
- 27.10.25 - **Half Term**
 - 3.11.25 - Autumn 2 begins
 - 4.11.25 - Open Morning for prospective parents
 - 5.11.25 - Castles Drama Reception & KS1
- 10.11.25 - Anti-bullying week, 'The Power of Good'
 - **Book Look Year 1 2:45pm**
- 11.11.25 - **Book Look Year 2 2:45pm**
- 12.11.25 - **Book Look Year 4 8:55am**
- 13.11.25 - World Kindness Day
 - **Book Look Year 3 2:45pm**
- 14.11.25 - Children in Need non-uniform day
- 17.11.25 - Global Entrepreneur Week (PTA)
 - **Book Look Year 5 2:45pm**
- 18.11.25 - **Book Look Year 6 2:45pm**
- 21.11.25 - 'Stay & Play' for pre-school children
- 27.11.25 - Switching on the Lights (after school)
- 28.11.25 - **Occasional Day (school closed)**
 - 5.12.25 - Christmas Film Night (PTA)
 - 8.12.25 - Pre-school Nativity 10am
 - 9.12.25 - Open Morning for Prospective Parents
 - 11.12.25 - KS1 Nativity 9.15am
 - 12.12.25 - KS1 Nativity 9.15am
 - 'Stay & Play' for pre-school children
 - 15.12.25 - 'Elfridges' opens (PTA)
 - 16.12.25 - Reception Nativity 9.15am
 - 17.12.25 - KS2 Carol Service 9am
 - 18.12.25 - KS2 Carol Service 2.30pm
 - 19.12.25 - Finish for Christmas at **1.30pm**