



Headteacher's Blog

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Last Week's Round-up...

It's never easy when there is adverse weather forecast and safety always has to come first but thankfully Swansfield came through Friday's storm safely. Mrs Murdy and I undertook a site visit this morning and other than a lot of sticks and a bit of damage to one of our sheds, we're looking ship shape! Mr Dickson will be out tomorrow with his wheel barrow and brush but just take care as you come on site first thing in the morning.

We've had a great uptake for our new clubs and these continue in the coming week. I do hope that children are enjoying their new choices.

It was wonderful to welcome Brother Khadim to school on Wednesday and thanks to members of Authors Club for the time and care that they took in writing and delivering the welcome to our guest. A special well done to Isla from Willow class who put such care and lots of her own time into her warm welcome.

I enjoyed seeing lots of Geography in action last week. A special well done to Chestnut Class for their great investigative work as they sought to find out more about the city of London as part of their South East of England study. Larch class were bursting with geographical excellence as they explored mountain ranges of the world - which also provided a great opportunity to recap their knowledge of continents. Oak Class's geographical vocabulary really impressed me as they distinguished between, and explored, human and physical features of our local area.

Well done to all!



What's on this week...

Wednesday is shaping up to be a busy day with a group of UKS2 girls heading out to a local football competition. We'll let you know how they get on.

Maple Class are looking forward to sharing their assembly with us on Wednesday. Family and friends are warmly invited to come and join us for a 14.30 start.

With Beech Class having to postpone their assembly on Friday to ensure that everyone could participate, we are delighted to let you know that this will be happening this Friday at 14.30. We'll look forward to seeing our Beech family friends then, and on a quick check of the forecast, there should be nothing to stand in our way for 'second time lucky!'

Secret Head Teacher Spots...

Joshua from Ash class has dazzled and amazed this week with a wonderful piece of writing showcasing what he has learnt about Islam and how those who follow this faith live out their daily lives.

Joshua, not only were the Ash Class team delighted with the quality of your writing, they were also super impressed with your engagement with this learning. Joshua's writing will be proudly displayed on our Wonderful Writing Wall in the entrance hall.





A HUGE WELL DONE TO...

Ava Egdell, Helena Schmidberger, Louie Porteous, Joshua Stalker, Quinn Miller, Joshua Cuthbert, Eryn Allen, Charlie Burgess, Becky Tutleman, Daisy Oliver, Vincent Spence and Ollie Dennis.

We are very proud of you all!

QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR LEARNERS...

Talking about what you've learnt and recapping new knowledge is a great way to get learning to 'stick'.

Here are some quick questions you can ask your children this week to support their growing geographical knowledge:

KS1: Can you name a few differences between a village and a town? Can you identify some important human features found in towns?

LKS2: Can you name 3 counties in the south east of England. What is the name of the river that runs through London?

UKS2: Can name a mountain range / mountain found in Scotland? Can you name mountain ranges found in the continents of South America and Asia?

HAVE A LISTEN TO THIS...

Here's a great song to enjoy this week.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MMFj8uDubsE&list=RDMMFj8uDubsE&start_radio=1)

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