

# Headteacher's Blog

20TH JANUARY 2025

#### Last Week's Round-up...

Let's start by celebrating great school attendance last week. Our whole school attendance figure was 95.6% and Pear class were our top attenders with 100% attendance across the whole week. This is a great achievement from some of our youngest learners! Keep it up Pears!

Speaking of our Pear children, they all thoroughly enjoyed having family and friends in for their 1st shared lunch on Wednesday. Thanks to all who came - we hope you enjoyed it as much as the children did.

Many of our UKS2 children got out to the town library last week. Rowan and Larch have now stocked their bookshelves with some new titles for everyone to enjoy.

A highlight for me last week came in the shape of some deliciously sticky jam sandwiches! As part of their instructional writing work, Oak and Ash classes helped Mr Rose and Mrs Smith perfect the steps they needed to follow for a perfect sarnie not before they'd made a few rather funny mistakes though. Once the instructions were sorted, all of the children followed them to make their own. Then of course there was only one thing for it - a jam sandwich filled snack time. Yum! I dropped in on our Beech class friends doing some careful writing based on their class text, Poison Garden, on Friday. They were quick to tell me that their writing was for their upcoming class assembly on the 24th January. Anything beyond this was top secret... we'll see on Friday!





### What's on this week...

Teacher led clubs begin on Monday afternoon and continue on Thursday. We will let you know about the pick up points for clubs on Monday.

We're delighted to welcome our friend Brother Khadim from the Newcastle Central Mosque back to Swansfield on Wednesday. Brother Khadim will deliver assemblies to children from Reception to Year 6, sharing his Muslim faith with us and talking about his important work at the Mosque.

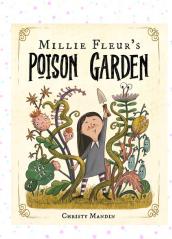
Sycamore Class will head down to the town library for their visits this week.

We're looking forward to beech class assembly on Friday at 14.30. Family and friends are very welcome to join us for the fun!

Please can we ask that families don't use the walkway from the office through to the car park when dropping off and picking up children. This is to keep everyone safe.

Thank you for your co-operation.

See you in the week, Mrs G







## A HUGE WELL DONE TO ...

Arley Brewis, Sol McLean, Albie Nickson, Theo White, Theo Brown, Sophia Deen, Eli Purvis, Gracie Fletcher, Teddy Shepherd, Bobby Mowbray, Mae Hall, Akshith Amarnath, Wilfred Patten, Danielle Neville, Olivia Lee, Ollie Ross.

We are very proud of you all!

#### HAUE A LISTEN TO THIS...

Because the children enjoyed listening to and watching The Snowflake Dance from the Nutcracker in assemblies last week, we've got another dance to enjoy this week.

Whereas the female dancers took the lead last week, this week we'll enjoy the male ballerinas and their performance!

Here's Russian Dance...

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ygDnPpcVetA

