

Ardeley St Lawrence Church of England Primary School and Nursery

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a delightful week at school with lots going on for the children, as their weekly reports below shows. But, before that, just one or two messages for you.

Yesterday we took delivery of our dining tables, purchased for a bargain price from another school. As if it couldn't get any better, it then did! They were delivered free of charge by Currys in Stevenage. Curry's, travelled all the way to South Mimms to collect them and bring them to us here at Ardeley for nothing but a thank you.

Now that's what I call doing the community a real service for the sake of the children. Hat's off to Curry's General Manager Lee, who organised it with Miss Mullins! Thank you everyone who made it possible including Mr Barlow at South Mimms who managed to secure us such a good price.

Take a look for yourself and see what a prize they are for the children. They will serve the school well for many years to come.



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Now for News from the classes:

This week all sorts has been happening at school, let's take a look and see...

In Years 1 & 2

Hello, this week KS1 have been writing poems using our class poem 'Into the Blue' by Hilda Offen. They have been learning about similes and imagining what it would be like to float over different cities and fields. They then used the computers to type their poems! These poems are by Indie and Hailey, Azra and Jacob and Theo.



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*We are floating through the
sunset
Me and my pink sparkly
balloon
Over the houses, streets
and the rainbow
The clouds were as fluffy*

Indie and Hailey

*We are
floating in to
the blue
Me and my
balloon
Over the Eiffel
Tower and
over big Ben
Big Ben was
as big as a
elephant
Eiffel Tower
was as big as
a shark*

*Jacob and
Theo*

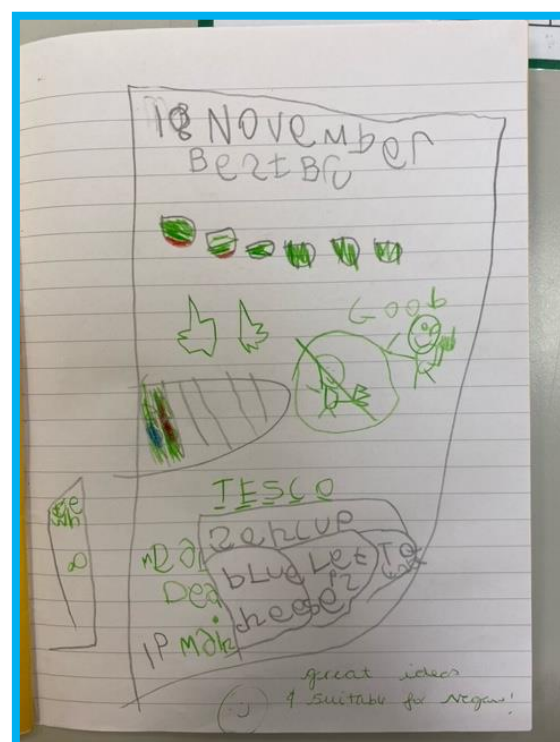
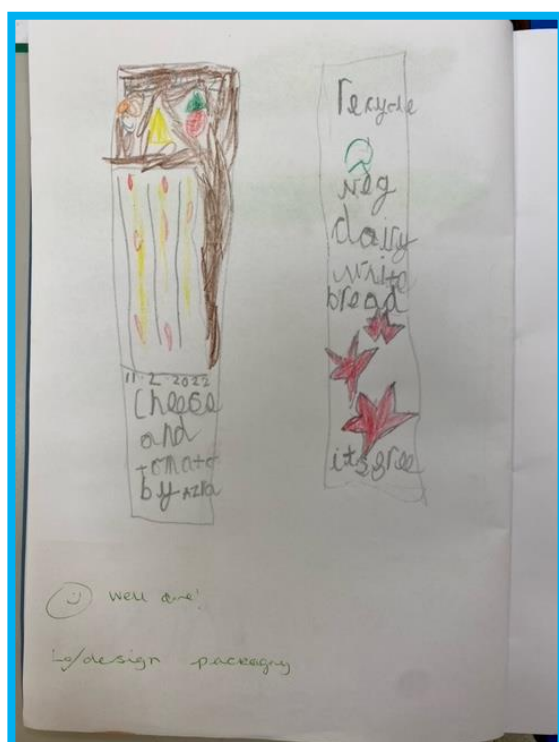
*We are floating into the
forest
Me and my rainbow
balloon
Over the trees, birds and
a fox
The trees were as bright
as the sun*

Azra

We have also been learning all about Technology! Today we made our own looked at a sandwich packet and on the box and what would make

sandwiches in Design and jam sandwiches! Last week we discussed what was important someone want to buy it.

The children then designed their own boxes and sandwiches. We had lots of great ideas. Azra added the recycle symbol to her box so that people know to recycle it. Isaac added the allergens like wheat to his box to keep people safe and made his sandwich cost 1p so lots of people could buy it! Well done everyone for another wonderful week. **Miss Weston** 😊



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In Years 5&6

This week, Upper Key Stage 2 were lucky to have an expert from the Natural History Museum giving them a live online workshop about evolution. They had a mission to discover why lizards, from a particular region of the planet, are changing. They have already been looking into why birds with certain beak shapes are able to survive better than others from their science enquiries in class where they explored which beak shaped tools are best at picking up seeds.

Below two of them are testing it out for themselves!



In art this term, the children are looking at two artists linked to South America. Frida Kahlo and Georgia O'Keeffe both painted tropical flowers. We have been practising colour mixing and zooming in on a small area of a flower for impact, like Georgia O'Keeffe did.



Didn't they do well!

Mrs Templeton



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This week has been another jam-packed week in Year 3/4! Continuing with our Geography unit, we looked at how volcanoes erupt. However, instead of watching a video or looking at photos, we made a mini volcano using baking powder and vinegar to demonstrate how magma heats up and turns to lava. The children loved seeing the eruption. It generated some fantastic writing! I was so impressed by their use of descriptive language. I am also so proud of how hard all of the children have been working on improving their handwriting - their effort is really starting to pay off!



We had a slight change to PE this week and instead of the regular football sessions we tried our hands at some yoga. The children really enjoyed doing something a bit different and it definitely helped to calm us all down after such a busy week.



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As if that was not enough, we have been continuing to practise French. Every day, the children practise using French in conversation with new vocabulary being taught in small, regular chunks. Through this method, the class are becoming more fluent as they are practising using the language that they have learnt in a real-life context every day. In fact, it has become such a normal part of the day that the children do not even realise that they are learning a different language!

Well done LKS2 for such an amazing week. You are all such hard working, kind children who make me proud every single day! Have a great weekend, my little legends. Miss Sheldon 😊

And now news from Early Years...

Early Year's had a special occasion to celebrate at the church yesterday. The twins, Sammy Jacob and Poppy Gracie were christened. Opie and Ella the children's parents, were delighted as were the Godparents: Charlie, Aurora, Lauren, Ronnie and Jude. Elis, the elder brother carefully held the candles as they were lit.



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The celebration party was enjoyed by all, back at school. The children made their own sandwiches and cakes in the morning. They were greatly devoured at the party attended by Reverend Mark and Mrs. Young.



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Goodbyes and farewell



Today, it's time to say goodbye to a couple of folks who have decided that the time is right for them to move on.



This week we say a fond farewell to Mrs Harriet Randall who has worked at Ardeley in a number of roles over the past few years from teaching Assistant to MSA, Cleaner and Breakfast Club Leader. Mrs Randall has decided to train to become a qualified Childminder and starts her new role on Monday. Congratulations Mrs Randall, I am sure that everyone will join me in wishing you all of the very best in your new career. Don't forget to recommend Ardeley St Lawrence School to your parents! ☺



We will also be saying goodbye on 9th December to Mrs Paula Cannon, who has been with the school for a number of years. Mrs. Cannon is moving to a new school where she will be working in a role that she dearly loves, that of being a one-to-one Learning Support Assistant. This SEN based role is one that she has said she has felt her greatest sense of fulfilment from, and is keen to return to. We are of course, sad to see her go, but understand her reasons for doing so. I am sure that you will join me in thanking Mrs Cannon over the next couple of weeks, for her excellent service to the school, and wish her all the very best in her new setting.



Happy Birthday wishes this week goes to :



**Mason Muncer, Jacob Osborne
and
Leo Twiston-Davies**



**Well done to the following children for earning these
Certificates for their super behaviour and attitude:**

Merits Awards

YELLOW

Y1 & 2 Rogue Baker, Isaac Robbins, Toby Ballard, Indie Hill

Y3 & 4 No Award Achievers this week

Y5 & 6 Amelie-Rose Hill, Lillie-May Stapleton,



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Orange Award Achievers:



Y1 & 2 No Award Achievers this week

Y3 & 4 **Milo Adams, Ella Large, Lilly-Rose Thompson, Isla Head, Isabelle Lavery, Ella Brierley**

Y5 & 6 **Laylah Redman Shackell, Ayva Randall**



Star Readers of the Week:

Amelie-Rose Hill (Y5&6),

**Noah Hill Y3&4),
Jude Martin (EYFS)**

Isaac Robbins (Y1&2),



Star Writers of the Week:

James Goldsmith-Steele (Y5&6)

Isla Head (Y3&4),

Hailey Clarke (Y1&2),

Emilia Knight (EYFS)



Star Mathematicians of the Week:

Harrison Rowell (Y3&4),

Poppy Lavery (Y1&2),

(EYFS) None this week

(Y5 &6) Amelie-Rose Hill



Star of the Week:

Y1 & 2 Toby Ballard for always being ready to learn, helpful and kind.

Y3 & 4 Leo Twiston-Davies for 'checking-in' with others and being a kind friend.

Y5 & 6 Amelia Dalal for reaching out for help and showing strength.

EYFS Lauren Smith for showing perseverance and working hard all week.



Bear Boxes have gone to: **EYFS: Alex**

KS1: Rogue

Lower KS2: Milo

Upper KS2: Daniel

Happy Reading children!



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Events:

Our Christmas Fair will be taking place on **9th December**. We will once again be having stalls in the main hall and would like to give parents with small businesses the opportunity to book one first. If you are interested, could you please contact friendsofardeleyschool@gmail.com for more details and a booking form. Alternatively, you can contact **Mr Evans on 07568467751**.

We look forward to hearing from you.



Scarlet Fever alert - We have had some cases in school, it is doing the rounds please be alert to the signs. Thank you.

Signs and Symptoms of Scarlet Fever

Scarlet fever is a common childhood infection. The early symptoms include sore throat, headache, fever, nausea and vomiting. After 12 to 48 hours the characteristic red, pinhead rash develops, typically first appearing on the chest and stomach, then rapidly spreading to other parts of the body, and giving the skin a sandpaper-like texture. The scarlet rash may be harder to spot on darker skin, although the 'sandpaper' feel should be present.

Patients typically have flushed cheeks and pallor around the mouth. This may be accompanied by a 'strawberry tongue'. As the child improves peeling of the skin can occur. Infections can be spread through direct physical contact with people or surfaces. Children with scarlet fever **must** remain away from school for **24 hours after** the start of appropriate antibiotic treatment has started.



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What's Going On...

Date	Event	Time	Class
September			
October			
November			
December			
02.12.2022	Elf Day	All Day	Whole School
13.12.2022	Nativity Morning Performance	2 pm Matinee	
14.12.2022	Nativity Evening Performance (leave 1.30pm)	6.00 pm	
09.12.2022	FAS Christmas Fayre	3:30 pm	Whole School
15.12.2022	2 nd Flu Spray Session		
16.12.2022	#sockittous! Kids Cancer Charity fundraising	All Day	All invited to participate
20.12.2022	Christmas Lunch	12:00 pm	Whole School
20.12.2022	Last day of term	2:00 pm finish	
21.12.2022	INSET Day School Closed to pupils	Closed All DAY	
January			
05.01.2023	Panto at school – Oh no it isn't - Oh yes it is!	9:30 – 10: 45	Whole School

Another note for your diary:

In light of the announcement of His Majesty's Coronation on Saturday 6 May 2023, an additional bank holiday has been announced on Monday 8 May. Settings that are normally closed on a bank holiday should close on this day. This will include schools and colleges.

We will release further information on how this affects the Year 6 SATs when we have this confirmed.

After School Club

Please note the **After School Club Mobile Number** for you to use to contact Milli when your child is with her. **The number is 07592 730850**



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WEEK ONE

Served Week Commencing:

• 2022: 31 October, 21 November, 12 December • 2023: 5 January, 23 January, 20 February, 13 March

MONDAY

BBQ Dusted Chicken with Rice

Italian Pasta Bake (V) with Crusty Bread

CHILLED OPTION:

Cheese Baguette (V)

TUESDAY

Pork Sausages with Diced Potato

(V) Macaroni Cheese (V) with Garlic Bread

CHILLED OPTION:

Egg Roll (V)

WEDNESDAY

Roast Chicken with Sage and Onion Stuffing

Sausages in Yorkshire Pudding (V) with Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta

CHILLED OPTION:

Chicken Mayo Wrap

THURSDAY

Cottage Pie

Quorn Burger in a Bun (V) with Diced Potatoes

CHILLED OPTION:

Ham Roll

FRIDAY

Battered Fish

Cheese and Tomato Pizza (V) with Oven Chips or Pasta

CHILLED OPTION:

Tuna Sandwich

PUPILS' CHOICE MENU

WINTER/SPRING 2022/23

WEEK TWO

Served Week Commencing: • 2022: 7 November, 28 November, 19 December • 2023: 9 January, 30 January, 27 February, 20 March

MONDAY

Pork Sausages in Gravy with Creamed Potatoes

Cheese & Veg Pasties with Diced Potatoes (V)

CHILLED OPTION:

Tuna Sandwich

TUESDAY

Chicken Pie with Herby Potatoes

Mild Vegetable Curry (V) with Rice

CHILLED OPTION:

Ham Roll

WEDNESDAY

Roast Beef and Yorkshire Pudding

Lentil Roast (V) with Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta

CHILLED OPTION:

Chicken Mayo Wrap

THURSDAY

Beef Burger (V)

Roasted Vegetable Lasagne (V) with Garlic Bread with Potato Wedges or Pasta

CHILLED OPTION:

Cheese Baguette (V)

FRIDAY

Crispy Coated Salmon

Cheese and Tomato Pizza (V) with Oven Chips or Pasta

CHILLED OPTION:

Egg Roll (V)

WEEK THREE

Served Week Commencing: • 2022: 14 November, 5 December • 2023: 16 January, 6 February, 6 March, 27 March

MONDAY

Pork Sausages With Diced Potatoes

Cheese Pinwheel (V) with Diced Potatoes

CHILLED OPTION:

Egg Roll (V)

TUESDAY

Mild Chicken Curry with Rice Omelette, Grilled Tomatoes and Baked Beans (V)

Potato Wedges or Tricolour Pasta

CHILLED OPTION:

Ham Roll

WEDNESDAY

Roast Pork with Sage and Onion Stuffing Tomato Bolognese (V)

with Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta

CHILLED OPTION:

Cheese Baguette (V)

THURSDAY

Beef Burger in a Bun with Potato Wedges

Cheese, Potato and Broccoli Bake (V)

CHILLED OPTION:

Chicken Mayo Wrap

FRIDAY

Fish Fillet Fingers

Cheese and Tomato Pizza (V) with Oven Chips or Pasta

CHILLED OPTION:

Tuna Sandwich

Freshly baked bread, seasonal vegetables and bowl salads are available daily • Gravy and Custard are always available separately when on the menu • All our milk is organic - fresh from the dairy (V) = Vegetarian (V) = Vegan

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