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This Half Term's Value – Justice



'Phrases of Faith

'So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them' - Matthew 7:12

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome to tis weeks newsletter, I hope it finds you all well. As I write this my ears are still ringing following yesterday's visit to the Young Voices concert at Resorts World Arena in Birmingham. It was an incredibly special and memorable event, and I cannot express enough how proud I am of our pupils who participated in the event.

The concert provided our children with a unique opportunity to perform in one of the largest arenas in the country, alongside some truly incredible artists. This event is the culmination of an enormous amount of hard work from both teachers and students, and it was heartening to witness the immense effort that everyone has put in. Please see photos further in the newsletter.

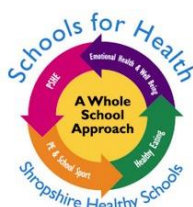
All staff were filled with pride as we watched our pupils sing their hearts out with such confidence. They truly shone - showcasing not only their talent but also the skills they have been developing throughout the year. The songs selected spanned a wide range of musical styles, which aimed to enrich our children's learning experience and aid their artistic growth.

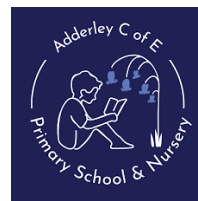
It was also wonderful to see so many parents joining us at the event! It was incredible to witness the support and enjoyment that permeated the audience.

In other areas of the school our children have continued to work hard and engage in their learning. As we move forward into February (and possibly even Spring dare I say it!) keep your eyes peeled for the dates list which provides details of the exciting events we have planned. Thank you once again for your support and for making yesterday such a memorable occasion for our children.

With all best wishes,

Mrs S. Henney





Important Dates and INFORMATION

FEBRUARY

3rd to 7th

Monday 3rd

Children's Mental Health Week – further details in the newsletter

Non – Uniform Day

F1 Club, 3.15pm – 4.45pm

Coding Club with Miss Archer, 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Tuesday 4th

Forest School for Oak Class

Guitar lessons with Mr Tomkins, for those signed up

Thursday 6th

PE for Oak and Chestnut Class

SATS Club with Mr Turner, 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Friday 7th

NSPCC Number Day

Forest school for Chestnut and Willow Class

Monday 10th

Coding Club with Miss Archer, 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Tuesday 11th

Guitar lessons with Mr Tomkins,

Forest School for Oak Class

Thursday 13th

PE for Oak and Chestnut Class

SATS Club with Mr Turner, 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Friday 14th

Forest school for Chestnut and Willow Class

Monday 24th

Break up for half term

Children return to school

F1 in schools club – 3.15pm – 4.45pm

Tuesday 25th

Forest School for Oak Class

Guitar lessons with Mr Tomkins, for those signed up

Thursday 27th

PE for Oak and Chestnut Class

SATS Club with Mr Turner, 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Friday 28th

Forest school for Chestnut and Willow Class

FUTURE DATES

March 6th

World Book Day

March 21st

Red Nose Day

March 25th

F1 Final – details to follow

March 31st – April 2nd

Residential trip for years 5 and 6

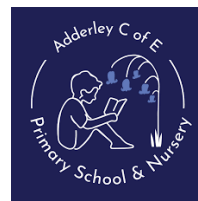
April 12th

Half Marathon in Shrewsbury

April 28th

Swimming begins for KS2





This week's Star Pupils!

Chestnut Class: George – for an excellent effort in all areas this week

Oak Class: Penelope - for her amazing work in Maths!

Willow Class: Isla for a sensible and kind attitude this week.

Class News:

Oak Class

This week has been a great week for Oak class, both halves of the class have produced fantastic written work in literacy; year 5 and 6 have been writing using descriptive language to describe settings and characters from our book the selfish giant, year 3 and 4 have written amazing diary entries about escaping from Pompeii. Science was certainly a highlight for all this week, the children loved learning about reflection and building their own periscopes.

We also had a great success in cooking making fish cakes! In Oak class we also now have a wow work board to display amazing work, next week Toms diary entry from Literacy will be on display for all to see! Congrats to both!



Chestnut Class



Wonderful to welcome Jayden to our Adderley family and we loved learning all about how he and his family celebrate Chinese New Year. We also enjoyed some yummy Chinese food!

Thank you for the kind gifts, Jayden. The children absolutely loved them.

In Writing this week, the children have been writing character descriptions about dragons using explained noun phrases and have ended the week by writing a letter to Mrs Henney explaining that dragons have taken over the school.

In Maths, the children have started to master the skill of adding and subtracting two, two-digit numbers, even crossing the ten.

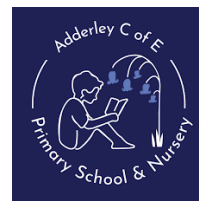
In Geography this week, we concentrated our learning on directional language and coloured maps, listening carefully to directions and instructions.

In Science, the children worked in pairs to plan and carry out a Science investigation to see which materials would be waterproof. We also looked closer at the material rock and even learnt about how bricks are made.

In RE, we have been learning all about Shabbat and how and why Jewish people celebrate it. Next week, we will be creating our own Shabbat dining experience, baking our very own challah bread.

Well done to Elsie and Colton for reading every day at home! We're very proud of you both!





Willow Class

This week in Willow Class, our little learners have been busy exploring, creating, and discovering! Here's a roundup of our exciting adventures:

We've been celebrating Chinese New Year with a fantastic blend of learning and creativity. The children have made their very own colourful paper lanterns, which look absolutely beautiful! We also had the chance to try some traditional Chinese food—what a treat! It was a wonderful way to learn about this special holiday and the traditions that come with it.

We've been diving into the fascinating world of states of matter. The children have explored solids, liquids, and gases, and had fun experimenting with different materials to see how they change. It's been great to see their curiosity and excitement as they make new discoveries!

In Literacy, we've continued our journey with the "Naughty Bus" story. The children have been practising their writing skills, focusing on writing their names. The Reception children have been working hard on writing full sentences, describing the characters waiting for the bus—there's some great imagination at work!

This week in Maths, we've been looking at numbers greater than 5. The children have been learning how numbers are made up of 5 and a bit more, helping them understand the concept of numbers in relation to 5. It's been wonderful to see how they're gaining confidence with numbers.

As always, we've been practising our days of the week and months of the year.

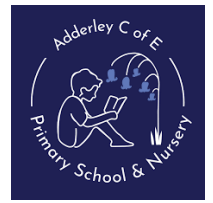
The children have also been watching how the seasons are changing, learning about the different characteristics of each one. It's lovely to see them connecting the dots between what they learn in class and the world around them.

What a busy, fun-filled week we've had!





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Children's Mental Health Week

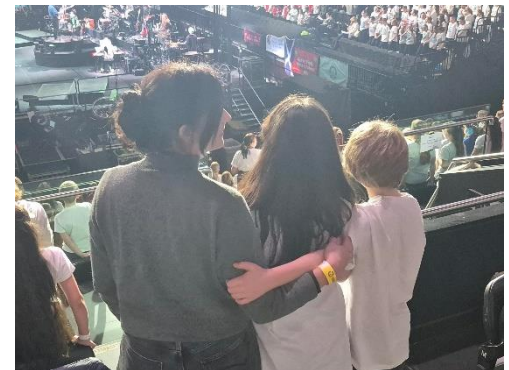
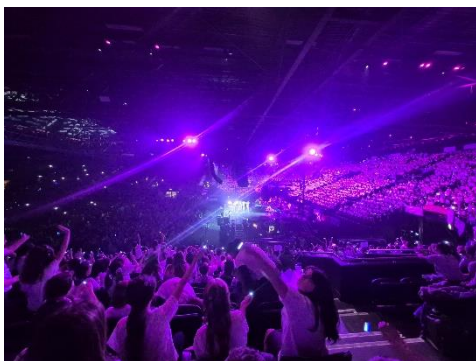
This year's Children's Mental Health Week theme is **Know Yourself, Grow Yourself**. The more we can understand about ourselves, the more prepared we are to express our emotions and take on life's ups and downs. Being self-aware means getting to know and understand what we are good at, what we find difficult, our likes and dislikes, what makes us feel JOY and what may cause us SADNESS. It is also about understanding what makes us unique and our fears, hopes and dreams. As we build a sense of self, we grow in our ability to connect with others, as well as develop our skills and talents. It is with this basis we can form strong and healthy relationships, from early childhood right through to adulthood and are equipped to cope with the challenges that life brings our way. With that in mind we are going to complete a range of activities and lessons throughout the week building on our theme of know yourself, grow yourself, starting with a non-uniform day.



Non-uniform day – Monday 3rd February

We would like our children to wear an outfit that expresses themselves, whether it's their favourite outfit, a splash of colour, a traditional attire that celebrates their culture, or an ensemble that showcases their beloved hobby, we want everyone's creativity to shine.

Young Voices 2025





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