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A message from Mrs. Scholz

Our Autumn Term calendar is beginning to fill up already with Willow Class off to Blackpool to see 'Horrible Histories LIVE' and taking part in a Divali Dance Workshop and our Bluebells booked to visit Cobble Hey Farm. We have also set dates for our Christmas Party and our Nativity Performances so please save the date for us—Father Christmas will be here before we know it!

The School Association will be running the Autumn Craft Competition next week with judging taking place next Friday so please encourage your child to get crafty over the weekend. All money raised through the entry fee goes to support our school.



News from our Classes

Bluebell Class—More busy bluebells this week. Key stage 1 have been exploring information texts about pets ready to write their own. They have been excellent in remembering that an information text has to be true. Early Years have started to explore Goldilocks and the 3 Bears by thinking about the vocabulary used in the story and what it means. In maths we have all been exploring calculation through part-part-whole diagrams and using the vocabulary total, add, altogether. In topic EYFS have been thinking about bears, they went on a bear hunt to have a teddy bears picnic, sharing our fruit around our teddies and friends. Key stage 1 have continued to explore and draw, thinking about what we see on the floor in autumn and representing it in drawing. In science we have compared the features of different animals and key stage 1 have compared the 5 animal groups they have learnt about - mammals, amphibians, reptiles, fish and birds.

Willow Class—Willow Class have had another busy and exciting week of learning! In Science, we have been learning how to classify living things, including exploring the different ways that plants can be grouped and identified. Our Geography learning has taken us around the world as we have investigated different biomes, and we particularly enjoyed our virtual field trip to the Amazon Rainforest! In PE, the children have been developing their teamwork skills through a range of fun team-building activities, as well as taking part in yoga sessions. Maths this week has focused on developing our confidence with column addition and subtraction, and the children have been working hard to apply these methods accurately. We have also continued with our Thursday singing sessions, where the children especially enjoy getting involved in the energetic warm-up games. Well done, Willow Class, for another fantastic week!

Lead Learners

Bluebell Class— Vinnie for blowing us all away with his communication and learning.

Willow Class— Ella B for her FAN-TAS-TIC independent writing.



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School Association Event

Get Crafty this
AUTUMN



5th - 9th
October

£1 to enter

Judging will take place on Friday 9th

Draw, stick, model,
collage, bake ...
anything goes!
Prizes to be won!

Good luck!



GLOW IN THE DARK DODGEBALL

OCTOBER SPOOKTACULAR HOLIDAY CLUBS

FOR CHILDREN BETWEEN THE AGES OF 4 - 12 YEARS



**SS Mary &
Michael Catholic
Primary**

26th Oct - 30th Oct - Mon-Fri



8:30AM - 4:00pm

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OR £100
FOR THE WEEK**



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