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Newsletter Term 4 Number 3 Friday 14th March 2025

Values of the term: Diversity, tolerance and equality

“Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.” Ephesians 4:32

Dear Parents,

What a fantastic iSingPop concert at St Mary’s last night! It was an absolute joy to watch our children perform with such enthusiasm, confidence, and a touch of ‘sassitude’! Their vibrant, high-energy performance was truly uplifting. A huge well done to all the children, heartfelt thanks to Mrs Bunting for organising, to Reverend Talisker and the diocese for their generous funding support, to our dedicated staff, and to you - our wonderful parents - for your encouragement and support.





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Classes this week -

Acorns - have been super storytellers this week. We have worked together to create a story map of 'The Magic Train Ride' and then used our actions to retell the story. We have also been using our imagination to think about where our magic train ticket might take us.

Big Acorns have also been learning the ising pop songs. Little Acorns have also enjoyed forest school.

Beech – In Maths, Beech have been learning to measure objects in cm- we measured lots of different objects from around the classroom. We have also written a recount about World Book Day; thinking about who we chose to be and why and what we enjoyed about World Book Day at school. At the beginning of the week, the children enjoyed having Sandy from iSingPop coming in and teaching them new songs and dance moves. Little Beech had great fun in the hail and sunshine at Forest School!

Sycamore - This week in Sycamore we have had a very energetic week with iSingPOP. The children have all worked superbly at learning the dance moves and songs in a short space of time! In PE we have been working on Communication and Teamwork in our Outdoor Adventure Activities session, we have also worked hard on creating space during our dodgeball matches which has been lots of fun. In RE we have continued to learn about Hinduism and have been exploring the impact of Hindu beliefs on how Hindus live their lives. In Maths we are still working hard on cracking fractions - we have been looking at creating whole numbers and counting beyond 1.

Oak - have been writing their Wonder themed play scripts into their portfolio books in Writing, analysing the text from Wonder during Guided Reading, creating a fact file on Isaac Newton as part of our work on Forces and evaluating our African food in DT. The Y6 children have been finding the perimeter and area of regular and irregular shapes whilst the Y5s have been drawing, reading and interpreting line graphs this week in Maths. Like the rest of the school, we have been part of iSing Pop, which concluded with a fabulous performance in church last night. Thank you for supporting your child with the singing (and dancing!) throughout the week. Pictures of this week's iSing Pop from Oak class are on the class page.



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Next week –

Tuesday - Explorer Dome at the Memorial Hall. Please can Beech children be dropped off at the Memorial Hall at 8.45am as their session begins at 9am. Many thanks.

Wednesday - Small schools transition for Year 6 children moving up to FCC.

Friday - Red Nose Day – wear something red!

Forest School - We are incredibly fortunate to have Mrs Lefebvre leading our Forest School. It's always wonderful to see the children exploring, learning, and developing essential skills outdoors - whether they're taking risks, solving problems, or working together in all weather. Be sure to check out the fantastic photos of Little Acorns on our Forest School page! A big thank you as well to our volunteers who help make it all possible.

–<https://www.bucklandprimaryschool.org.uk/acorns-forest-school-news-20242025/>

Reporting your child's absence - please can parents notify the office either by email or to the office phone by 8.45am at the latest. **Please do not only leave a message with a member of staff – all messages of absence need to go to the office** so that Ms Harvey can add the correct information to our registers by 9.10am. Thank you for your support with this.

Achievements

House	Horse	Ox	Dragon
Weekly total	108	95	101
Running total	231	198	219

This week's certificates have been awarded to:

Acorns – Gigi and Willow

Beech – Hermione and Ira

Sycamore – Albie D and Darcey C

Oak – Eleanor, Gethyn and Niah

Bronze badges have been awarded to:

Horse: Darcey C

Ox: Ethan and Patrick



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Silver badges have been awarded to:

Horse: Albie D

Ox: Eleanor, Dahlia and Tom G

Congratulations to all.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Brown and the Buckland Team.