

Dear Families,



What a Fantastic time Hazel Class had at Start Bay! We are thrilled to share the highlights from Hazel Class's recent residential trip to the Start Bay Centre! The children had an amazing time exploring both the countryside and the seaside, with plenty of adventures along the way. From identifying local wildlife to learning about the coastal environment, it was a truly enriching experience that allowed the children to connect with nature in a hands-on way.

Our Hazel Class superstars impressed everyone by sleeping soundly through the night and starting their days with a hearty cooked breakfast. Their enthusiasm and teamwork were truly wonderful to see, and they've returned with unforgettable memories of their time away.

A huge thank you to our incredible staff for all their hard work in making this trip possible, and for ensuring the children had such a positive and safe experience. We couldn't have done it without you!

Here's to more exciting adventures for Oak class next week!

Warm regards,

Miss Coombe

Some important information for next week-

- PE for all classes every **Tuesday** (children may come to school in PE kit and stay in it all day)

- *Swimming Year 5 & 6 will start next Friday afternoon*
- *Residential for Oak class*

Save money on your childcare costs

The cost of childcare can take up a large chunk of the family budget. Whether you have babies, toddlers or teens, you could get support.

There are several Government schemes to help families with childcare costs, each one tailored to different needs, incomes and children's ages. They're not just to help pay for nurseries and childminders during term time, they can also cover wraparound childcare before and after school as well as help during the holidays.

To find out about all the schemes, visit the Government's Child Care Choices website and enter your details to see how you can save money on your childcare.

We have a duty to ensure there is enough childcare to meet parents' needs. Use our online form to tell us if you haven't been able to find the childcare you need.

Get a healthy start this autumn

If you receive certain benefits and are more than ten weeks pregnant, or have at least one child under four years old, you may be entitled to get help to buy healthy food and milk.

If you're eligible, you'll be sent a Healthy Start card, with money added every four weeks to buy cow's milk, fresh, frozen, and tinned fruit and vegetables, fresh, dried, and tinned pulses and infant formula milk based on cow's milk.

You can also use your card to collect Healthy Start vitamins to support you during pregnancy and breastfeeding and vitamin drops for babies and young children suitable from birth to four years old.

<https://www.healthystart.nhs.uk/how-to-apply/>

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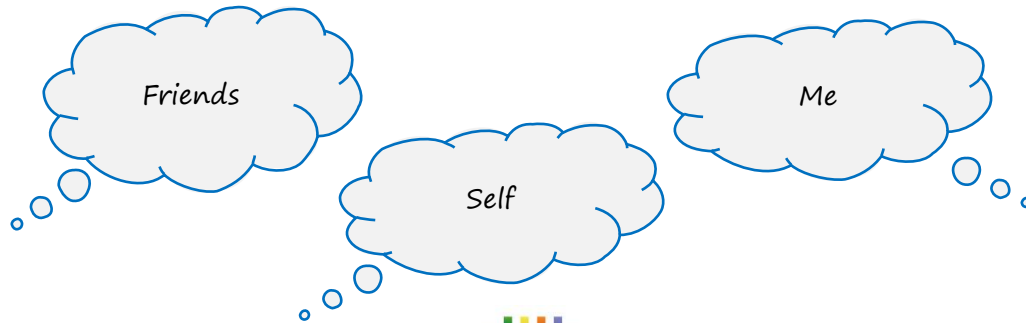
Welcome to our weekly bulletin. Below you will find lots of useful information and lovely news from your child's classroom.

Chestnut - Nursery



Wow Words!

We will introduce and explore new and exciting words with the children. Some we have been using...



TAPESTRY
ONLINE LEARNING
JOURNAL

Tapestry Tuesdays!

It would be wonderful if you could all upload a photo from your adventures over the weekend for our Tapestry Tuesday! It doesn't need to be something extra special; it could just be a walk in the woods or even snuggling up for a family movie night.

We can't wait to see!

Hazel Years R-2

We have had such a good week on our residential. We all had so much fun and learnt so much about nature. On the first day we went pond dipping and found so many different animals.

On the second day we went on a walk from Beesands to Torcross and completed a lot of different activities, we even got ice cream at the end of it. On the third day we completed some pieces of art at the centre. We loved having a sleepover with our friends as well.



Home Learning

- Spellings – KS1 only
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- Reading

Reading is key to everything your little one will do in school, and we want every child to be confident readers with a love of books. Your support with reading at home is key to this. Your child will bring home their reading record along with their RWinc book bag book and library book. It is important that they read the book bag book with you at least three times a week. Library books are important for their reading

comprehension. Please make a note of any comments in their reading record and we will follow them up in class.

RWinc book bag book and completed reading record due in: Thursday

New books : Friday

- Maths

Please complete the number formation sheet



Reception children:

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Star of the Week!



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Loki

For being such a superstar on residential, everyone was super impressed with your listening and how much fun you were.

Well done Loki!



Attendance

Our attendance target is 98%

Last week's attendance was 100%

Well done Everyone!

Oak Years 3-6

This week in Oak Class...

The children loved their precipitation experiment, thank you for the amazing photographs, we have displayed them on our geography board in class. We were excited to welcome Hazel Class back to school and hear all about their adventures on residential – they had such a brilliant time. We can't wait until next week! As scientists, Year 3 & 4 have been learning about different types of teeth in the human mouth and their functions. Year 5 & 6 presented a graph to explain the changes that occur during

the stages of human development. The children learnt about the story of Creation in RE and in our RHE lesson, we thought about the importance of our friends and family.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Lowe

Home Learning

Home learning consists of reading, spellings, Maths and curriculum themed projects.

Reading

Reading is key to everything your child will do in school. At West Alvington, we want our children to be confident readers with a love of books. Your support with reading is essential. Children are expected to read at least four times a week with a parent.

Please record the name of the book your child has read and the pages they have read.

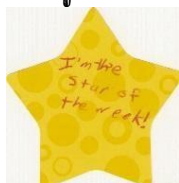
Home Learning

After our School Council Assembly this week, if you are keen to be an ambassador for our school, please write an application to tell us why you think that you should be elected as a school councillor. Your Home Learning is to design a delicious and nutritious school menu that will be enjoyed by all the children across our trust. We also have an exciting prize for the best school menu design!

Spellings

Each week I will be setting the children spellings for them to learn. The children can practise these in school and at home for their assessment every Friday.

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Lilly-Louise and Sophie

For settling into Oak class and a zest for learning.

Well done girls!

SUPERSTARS

Christian Value

Responsibility

Rupert

Thank you for your hard work and commitment this week!

Mrs Bickle is also super proud of you!

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Dates for your Diary

Monday 23rd September/Wednesday 25th September – Oak Residential
Friday 27th September – Year 5 & 6 Swimming
Wednesday 2nd October – Harvest Festival All Saints' Church (2.30pm) TBC
Friday 4th October – Year 5 & 6 Swimming
Monday 7th - Thursday 10th - Bikeability * New Date*
Friday 11th October – Junior Life Skills (9.30 am – 12 pm)
Friday 11th October – Year 5 & 6 Swimming
Friday 18th October – Year 5 & 6 Swimming
Friday 25th October – Year 5 & 6 Swimming
Half Term – 28th October to 1st November

Forest School Dates

Wednesday 25th September – Hazel & Chestnut
Wednesday 9th October – Oak & Chestnut
Wednesday 23rd October – Hazel & Chestnut
Wednesday 13th November – Oak & Chestnut
Wednesday 27th November – Hazel & Chestnut
Wednesday 11th December – Oak & Chestnut