



### Autumn Term Dates:

Monday 5th September—Tuesday 20th December

Children return Wednesday 4th January

### School Times:

8.45a.m—3.15p.m.

Doors open:

8.45a.m—8.55a.m.

### Nursery:

AM: 9am—12pm

PM: 12pm—3pm

2022-2023

### Remaining PD Days:

Fri 17th Feb 2023

Thurs 20th July 2023

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16th December 2022

## Dear parents and carers,

This will be the last newsletter before we break up on Tuesday, for the Christmas Holidays. We have some lovely things planned for the children to do, during the last two days. The children from Reception up to Year 6 will be visiting the Church in Kirklevington on Monday for a Christmas Service.

Tuesday is Christmas Jumper/non-uniform day.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and happy New Year. We look forward to seeing the children on our return to school on **Wednesday 4th January**.



## Christmas Advent Calendar

Children nominated for Mrs. Lewis' advent calendar this week for good behaviour - being ready, respectful and safe.

Date	Name	Class
10th December	Leo D	Chestnut
11th December	Millie C	Elm
12th December	Cameron T	Oak
13th December	Charlie L	Acorn
14th December	Francesca P	Willow
15th December	Ella C	Birch
16th December	Sylvie M	Chestnut

## RRSA—Rights Respecting School

As a Gold Level 'Rights Respecting' School, the children learn lots about children's rights, with a focus on:

- Well-being
- Participation
- Relationships
- Self-esteem

Article of the month:  
December

The right to follow your own religion.





## Christmas Parties

Thank you so much for the £1 donations towards our Christmas parties. This can still be paid via Arbor.

On the day of their party, children may come dressed in party clothes. Please ensure clothes and shoes will be suitable for outdoor play.

For children in Willow, **please can they also bring their green school jumper or cardigan on this day.**

Teachers will plan for children with allergies—please discuss any concerns you have directly.



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### Classes

Acorn and Willow

### Party Day

19th December

## Christmas Carols in the playground

We are hoping to have a short ‘sing a long’ Carol Service in the large playground on the afternoon of the last day, **Tuesday 20th December, starting at 2.40pm.** This will depend on the weather. All of the children from Acorn to Oak will be involved, so the pick up point for children will be the playground.

**Gates will open at 2.25pm on Tuesday.**

Children are invited to wear Christmas jumpers/non-uniform.

## Acorn and Willow Nativity

Well done to our Reception and Nursery children, who were amazing in their nativities this week. We were super proud of them!









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## Team Points

Well done to Neptune who won the team point trophy this week!

The overall winners this term were Saturn!

Teams		Team Captains 16/12/22
Mars		<b>Cameron T</b>
Neptune		<b>Ollie L-O</b>
Saturn		<b>Ahmed K</b>
Earth		<b>Joe G</b>

## Attendance and Class of the Week!

Whole school attendance is 87.1%. Please remember that we cannot authorise holidays, unless circumstances meet our exceptional criteria, and that both parents will be referred to attendance which may result in a fine for 10 unauthorised sessions (5 days) or more, per child, within 6 weeks.

‘Class of the Week’ celebrates the class with the best attendance each week. **Willow were the winning class across the term** and will get a treat that they can negotiate with their teacher! They also won this week.

Y6 SATS will be held May 9th to May 12th, 2023 and we expect children will be in school during this period.

Children who had 100% attendance this term, received a certificate in Celebration Assembly this morning.

### Best Attendance

<b>Willow</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Birch</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Chestnut</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Elm</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Oak</b>	<b>4</b>



## December Birthdays

Happy birthday month to: Noah B, Harrison B, Evie D, Ava I, Ruby R, Archie S and Ted S.

## Stars of the week—Be Respectful, Be Safe

Willow	<b>All of Willow!</b>
Birch	<b>Iona B</b>
Chestnut	<b>Rohan J</b>
Elm	<b>Evie S</b>
Oak	<b>Evie D</b>



## Learners of the week—Be Ready

Willow	<b>Ava I</b>
Birch	<b>Emily R</b>
Chestnut	<b>Gladys C</b>
Elm	<b>Eli W</b>
Oak	<b>Lucy O'N</b>



## Star Writers

Willow	<b>Charlotte P</b>
Birch	<b>Amalia H</b>
Chestnut	<b>Ted D</b>
Elm	<b>Philippa H</b>
Oak	<b>George C</b>



Head Teacher's  
Award:

**Well done to Samuel D, in Birch, for always being kind and considerate to others.**





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**Birch class enjoyed their Christmas Craft workshop with parents this morning. Thank you if you were able to join us!**







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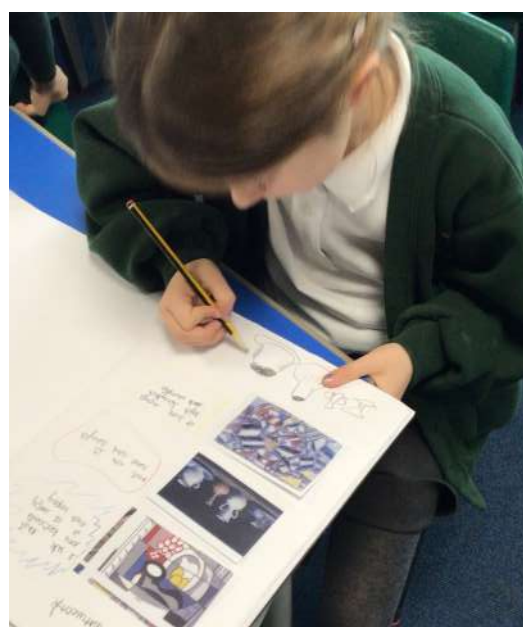
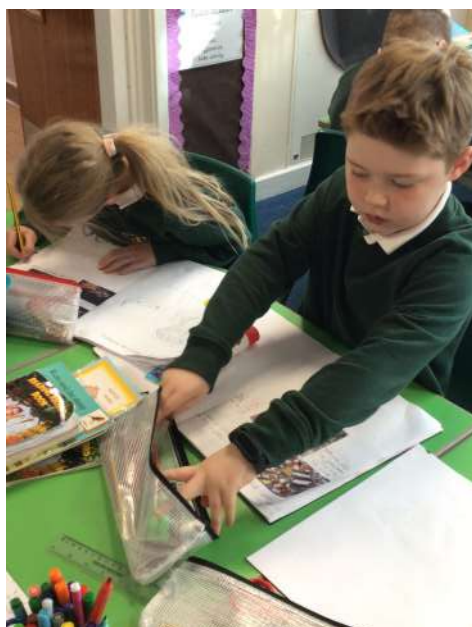
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**Chestnut class enjoyed creating a scrap book page in art. They evaluated artist's work linked to colour, subject, composition and shape.**



**Oak Class have been making polymer clay figures, ready to be baked and put into snow jars.**







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## Willow Class in the outdoor area...







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**Our Choir enjoyed the Community Carols event, last Monday.**



**Our school elf left the children some presents in assembly this week! Some lovely Christmas books!**







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## Autumn Term: Diary of Events

We are busy planning events for the children, our families and the local community. We will continue to update this list as the term progresses.

**More information will be provided, closer to the time of events.**

Date	Event
19/12/22	Children visiting Church for Christmas Service
19/12/22	Acorn and Willow Christmas Party—am
19/12/22	Oak Christmas Crafts, 1.30– 3.00pm Parents are welcome—please come to the breakfast club door at 2pm.
20/12/22	Last Day—Christmas jumpers / non-uniform optional (preloved jumpers may be available, please ask at the office)
20/12/22	Children’s carols in the large playground 2.40pm Outdoor performance to parents— weather dependant!
04/01/22	Children back after the Christmas break.

## Kirklevington Church

Rev. Kate would like to invite you to the Christmas Crib Service on Christmas Eve at 3.30pm. This will be held at the Church.

Christmas Communion will be on Christmas Day at 9.30am.

**Acorn have been helping Santa build toys and wrapping them for Christmas, looking for Jack Frost and making gingerbread**





## Winter Weather

As the icy mornings are upon us, we have been gritting the main routes to school. Please take care and stick to the main paths. Please see our gritting plan below, which shows the gritted route.



There is also a copy in the main entrance.

If we do experience extreme weather, we may close the gate onto the large playground and have everyone come through the main entrance side of the building. We will notify parents if this is the case.

