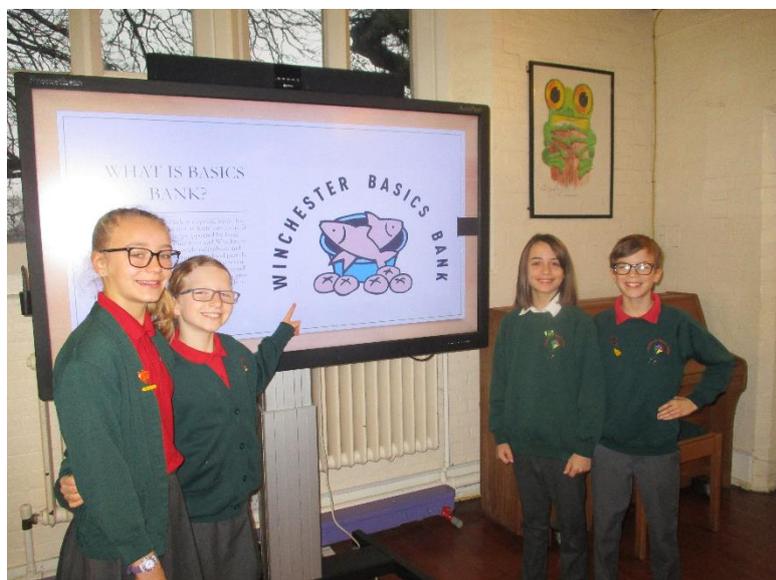




Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Reverse Advent Calendar



On Tuesday, our vice-captains held an assembly to explain their Reverse Advent Calendar idea to the children, in aid of Winchester Basics Bank. Each day through December, we will be putting items in, instead of taking something out. The items will then be donated to the food bank in order to help those less fortunate who may be struggling at Christmas time.

Please see the full communication that was sent out on 20<sup>th</sup> November with details of what items to bring on various days.

### Southampton Art Gallery visits Sycamore



This week Sycamore class had a special visitor - Kate Mitchell from the Southampton Art Gallery. She was helping us to explore our topic question 'What is Culture?' through Art. The children had the opportunity to see, up close, an authentic painting entitled 'The Israelites Crossing the Red Sea' (Gertrude Hermes). We discussed how we felt about it as well as how it might have been made (we were shocked to discover it was a wood cut print!).

Afterwards, the children had an opportunity to sculpt moods using wire. We thought about what our expressions showed and how these might relate to colour; choosing adjacent colours on the spectrum to represent a feeling. Although we found it tricky to bend the wire, it was clear we have some budding artists amongst us!

A great big thank you to Kate and to our wonderful adult helpers, Mrs Ince and Mrs Grebert, without whom this brilliant day wouldn't have been possible.



### Be Bright, Be Seen Day



Well done to all the lucky winners from Be Bright, Be Seen day. The school certainly shone brightly that day!

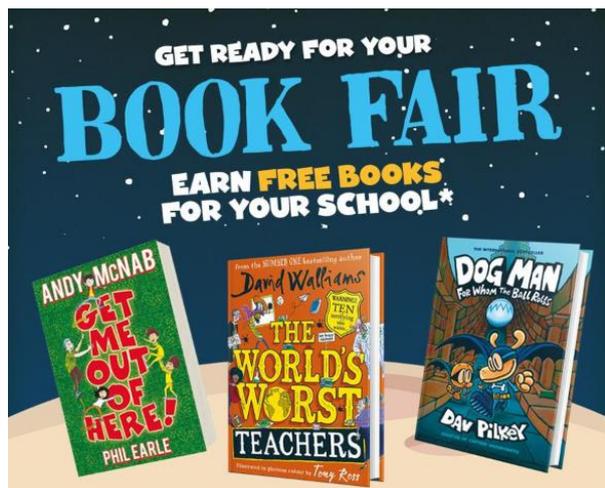
## Willow class - When I grow up day

This Wednesday, Willow class had a fantastic day devoted to their future dreams and ambitions. The children were dressed in the most incredible costumes from gymnasts, to veterinarians, transport experts to teachers! All pupils took part in a morning of interviews and work experience in school, such as classroom LSAs or working as a site team member. In the afternoon, we hosted a parent gallery where pupils showed off their incredible autobiographical writing and shared their experiences. Thank you to all staff and parents who helped to make the day so wonderful.



## Scholastic Travelling Book Fair

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November – Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December (in the library)



The Scholastic book fair has returned to Twyford St Mary's, with shelves packed full of best-sellers and excellent page turners suitable for all ages in the school (and just in time for Christmas)!

This year there are shelves suited to three different age ranges, as well as all the wonderful stationary for the children to enjoy. There will also be a catalogue of additional books available to order for older children.

The book fair really supports us to re-stock our library and classroom reading resources with the best possible texts for our pupils. We really look forward to seeing you there! Come along from 3.35pm each day until Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December.

### KS2 PTA Christmas Fair Competition

Last week, KS2 children will have brought a competition form home from our PTA. They have the opportunity to design their own sweater embroidery for just £2 – all in aid of a good cause. The winner will have their design embroidered onto a sweatshirt to keep. The winner will be announced at the Christmas Fair on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December. The closing date for entries is 4<sup>th</sup> December.

### Energy Kidz Theme of the Week Commencing 02.12.19 – Cartoon & TV Favourites

This week we'll be embracing all things sound, shapes and colour to learn all about our 'Cartoon & TV Favourites'. Re-imagine a journey to a faraway land whilst playing our childhood game of Neverland Pirates, construct a mayhem of crazy caricatures using pizza slices with Pizza Characters and test your knowledge of all things toon-town during an animated round of Character Charades.

To make a booking or for further information, please visit our website: [www.energy-kidz.co.uk](http://www.energy-kidz.co.uk). Alternatively, please contact us at [info@energy-kidz.co.uk](mailto:info@energy-kidz.co.uk) or by calling 0333 577 1533.

### Christingle, Messy Church and Carols St Mary's Church - Diary of Christmas Events

Messy Church Christmas party - Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Dec from 4-6pm in the Parish Hall.

Crafts, games and food as we explore the Christmas story. Do come and join us.

Christingle - Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Dec at 4pm in the church. (not its usual date!)

Come and get your orange and hear the time-old story.

Carol Singing round the village - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec from 5.30pm.

Practice at Ashley, Finches Lane at 6pm on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Dec.

Everyone welcome, bring lanterns, and gloves!

Crib Service - 5.30pm on Christmas Eve Bring your children dressed up as a character from the Christmas story to hear and take part in the traditional story of Jesus' nativity.

Christmas Day - 11am, all-age service with carols and communion.



### Star of the Week

Ash	Emma	For working together as a Team Bee to build a tower and for using maths words to compare its length.
Beech	Elijah	For being an Incy Independent when writing his letter to Father Christmas. We loved your exclamatory sentence!
Sycamore	Lauren	For her consistent thoroughness in reflection whilst crafting her story so that it was both narratively and grammatically consistent, whilst being inventive at the same time.
Willow	Pippa	For her excellent team learning in maths and showing high level reasoning to explain her ideas.
Yew	Lillie-Rose	For excellent perseverance in Maths, resulting in pleasing progress in her understanding of fraction concepts.



### Roll of Honour

Ash	Josh	For his determination and perseverance when writing his name.
	Harrison	For excellent progress in his maths reasoning.
Beech	Anna	For keeping the Golden Rule of 'We work hard' on her maths at home and at school.
	Oliver	For showing great 'Care' towards his friends and our school.
Sycamore	Samuel	For their fantastic leadership skills when working with their Enterprise group; by making sure every member of the group understood the task and by supporting their teammates to success.
	Josie	
Willow	Megan	For her evaluation skills when editing and creating imaginative phrases for her poem.
	Venne	For her calm and professional approach to being a classroom LSA during 'When I grow up day'- showing she would make the most wonderful teacher!
Yew	Ollie	For his enthusiasm and effort in Maths this week when adding and subtracting fractions
	Daniel	For his independence when writing and his care when redrafting parts of his diary entry

## Dates for your diary

Autumn Term	
<b>29<sup>th</sup> November – 4<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Scholastic Travelling Book Fair event – from 3.35pm each day in library. Cash or card payments at the till in Beech Class.
<b>1<sup>st</sup> December</b>	PTA Wreath Making
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> December</b>	Yr R – Yr 6 Flu Vaccinations - afternoon
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Enterprise Week
<b>4<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Yr 6 National Measuring Programme
<b>6<sup>th</sup> December</b>	PTA Tremendous Tights and Sensational Tights day
<b>6<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Enterprise Event 3.30pm
<b>7<sup>th</sup> December</b>	PTA Christmas Fair
<b>11<sup>th</sup> December</b>	KS1 Nativity – a.m at School
<b>12<sup>th</sup> December</b>	KS1 Nativity – p.m at the Church
<b>16<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Yr 1/2 Dodgeball and Yr 3/4 Hockey matches v Otterbourne Primary (away): 3.45 – 4.30pm – details to follow shortly
<b>17<sup>th</sup> December</b>	KS2 Carol Service
<b>19<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Yr 6 Football tournament – 2.00 – 4.00pm (home) – details to follow shortly
<b>20<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas Jumper Day/Christmas Lunch
<b>20<sup>th</sup> December</b>	End of Term



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