



## Newsletter - October 2024 Issue 3

- Dates for your diary
- 14th—18th October NSPCC awareness week
- 17th Oct

   Early reading/
  phonics meeting Beech

  class
- Parent Consultations—21st—23rd Oct 3.30—6pm

# Headteacher's Message

Dear parents and carers,

As you know this week has been very busy with OFSTED. The report will be shared as soon as it has been quality assured and ready to be published..

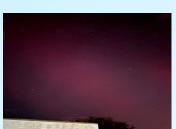
Our year 6's have been at Kingswood for their residential and are having a great time. They were also lucky enough to catch a glimpse of the northern lights. Below is a photo of this and also a photo of all the children at the disco on Wednesday.

We have a an international day coming up on the 14th November as well and you should have received an email about what we plan to do on that day. It will be a great way to celebrate diversity at Oakmere.

I hope you have a great weekend.

Kind regards

Mrs Wilson Headteacher







# CLASSROOM SPOTLIGHT - Beech Class

This week, the Reception class has been exploring the Harvest Festival. They examined various vegetables, enjoying the opportunity to wash, touch, and taste them. The children also engaged in drawing and creating printed images. Additionally, they learned about the role of scarecrows and crafted a large class scarecrow using collage materials. They practiced their pencil grip while colouring pictures as well.







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#### Attitudes and Behaviour in School

I wanted to give you an overview of how well our children are doing in terms of their attitudes and behaviours in school.

As a school we are committed to achieving exemplar behaviour in school, having high expectations of all children which is reflected in our behaviour policy. We have our school values of teamwork, respect, kindness, responsibility, resilience and ambition which are reinforced each day in school, along with individual class rules in each class that reflect these values. We celebrate children's achievements in school through individual weekly celebration certificates, weekly class attendance cup, annual role model badges to children demonstrating our school values and send postcards home for exemplary behaviour and work. We also have mediators that support good lunchtime play and sports leaders who are positive role models during lunchtimes. We plan to start our lunchtime clubs again shortly. As a result, children's behaviours and attitudes in school have been improving every year. Visitors to our school comment time and time again on how impressed they are by children's behaviours, including how polite they are. I wanted to share this with you so you can be as proud as we are in the vast improvement we have seen in the past couple of years.

Kind regards, Mrs Wilson



#### **Natural England Assembly**

We were very lucky to have Janie Cloote from Natural England come to talk to our children on Monday 23rd September about Hertfordshire's Local Nature Recovery Strategy. She spoke about what the children could do to help species that were becoming extinct and how to develop habitats in our gardens, schools and local areas. She suggested we make wildlife ponds with shallow sides, bug hotels, to grow a tree, not to mow grass and to grow flowers in lawns. Children asked lots of questions, some around how to make their own habitats

Role Model Badges 2024					
Name	Class		Name	Class	
	Millie	Cedar	Ayla	Cedar	
	Mori	Cedar	Alyce	Cedar	
	Ilayda	Cedar	Billie	Cedar	
	Rebecca	Cedar	Darcie	Cedar	

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- 21st—23rd October 3 30pm—6pm –Parent Consultations
- 28th—1st November Half Term
- 6th November—Blue Oak Class assembly

## House Point Results - Autumn Term 2024









Week	Marie Curie	JK Rowling	Pablo Picasso	Mo Farrah
Week 1	571	619	579	514
Week 2	838	809	809	605
Week 3	766	629	621	626
Week 4	835	994	929	976
Week 5	752	617	760	829
Week 6				
Overall this term	3762	3668	3698	3550

# STHIO. attendance moves approximately approx

# Star of the Week -30/9/24 /7/10/24



Name	Class	Name	Class	Name	Class
Jessarah	Willow	Adrian	Cedar	Joseph	Chestnut
Kai	Birch	Niamh	Blue Oak	Whole Class	Hawthorn
Archie B	Poplar	Anuva	Red Oak	Vivienne Ivy	Cedar
Ali	Sycamore	Andrianna	BIrch	Yoana	Blue Oak
Enya	Chestnut	Olivia	Poplar	Antonia	Blue Oak
Lilly	Hawthorn	Annabelle	Sycamore		

200.4	ATTENDANCE					
commencing:	First	Second	Third			
30/09/2024 - 04/10/2024	Acorn 100%	Cedar 99%	Willow 97%			
07/10/2024 - 11/10/2024	Willow 96%	Cedar 95%	Sycamore 94%			