



Sheldwich Primary School

Little Hedgehogs Pre-School



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Important Messages

Christmas Post Box

Our Christmas Post Box will be available for Christmas post from Monday 8th December. Please remember to add the name and class of the child to the front of the envelope to help Santa's Sorters.



Elfridges Shop



Thank you for all the lovely donations already received for our Elfridges Shop. We would be happy to receive further donations of new gifts for children and adults such as craft sets, small toys, socks, candles, activity books, mugs etc. Please remember to send in £2 for 1 present per child from next week. Elfridges will be open on Friday 12th December. This is going to be a really fun, exciting event that will give the children an opportunity to purchase a special gift for someone they love.

Good News

We are pleased to be able to tell you that Mr Burns will be back in school at the beginning of next term on a phased return.

AWARDS

Thursday 27th November

<u>Class</u>	<u>Headteacher Awards</u>	<u>Mathematician of the Week</u>
Little		
Hedgehogs	Khaleesi	
Ladybirds	James and Goldie	Nelly
Class 1	Bella and Ethan	Patrick
Class 2	Alba and Harry	Dylan
Class 3	Olivia and Leo	Daisy
Class 4	Sophia and Alexa	Jacob
Class 5	Amelia and Eloise	Primrose
Class 6	Jack and Josh	Avie

Weekly Awards

Attendance Award: Dragonflies 98%

Friday 5th December

<u>Class</u>	<u>Headteacher Awards</u>	<u>Mathematician of the Week</u>
Little		
Hedgehogs	Ava	
Ladybirds	Aidan and Forrest	Reggie
Class 1	Bertie and Evelyn	Ingrid
Class 2	Ruby and Thomas B	Anastasia
Class 3	Amaya and Dottie	Dylan
Class 4	Annabel and Violet	Willow
Class 5	Rafe and Emily	Zayn
Class 6	Amy and Harry	Sylvester

Weekly Awards

Class of the week: Badgers
Extended Schools: Flora and Alexa (4)
Presentation: Imogen (1)
Citizen: Josh B(6)
Pupil: Primrose (5)
Lunchtime: Ada (1)
LSA award: Joshua W (6)
Attendance Award: Otters 99.7%



P.T.F.A. CHRISTMAS FAIR



Thank you to all of our friends and families who attended the Christmas fair. It was a truly enjoyable event, and we are delighted to report that our choir



and the winners of Talent provided entertainment for thrilled to announce resounding success, total of £2925.74 remarkable testament to the dedication of our Thank you all for your participation. We are continued



Sheldwich Has Got excellent the crowd. We are that the fair was a with a fabulous raised. This achievement is a hard work and P.T.F.A. and staff. support and grateful for your involvement and

look forward to many more successful events in the future.



SPORTS NEWS

Basketball Tournament

The annual basketball tournament was held at the Canterbury Academy and 15 teams took part. The teams were organised into 3 groups and we each played every team in our group. With four group games to play but matches only being 6 minutes it was quite a frantic start. Sheldwich 1 had a very tough group and faced Blean 1 in their first game – they were very tough opposition and eventual tournament winners and we lost the match. A close game followed against Canterbury Primary School which ended in a 2-2 draw and then two excellent wins against Bridge 1 and Sturry which saw some wonderful shooting from the team. Sheldwich 2 were in a different group and they got off to a flying start against Selling with a 4-0 win. That was followed by a couple of tricky losses against Littlebourne and Wincheap but the team finished with a flourish and a convincing win over St Peter's. The whole team played well and there was some excellent shooting from Sylvester and Cagan! We unfortunately did not make it through to the semi-finals this time but all the players should be pleased with how they played. Thank you to Mrs Baker for helping to support the children.

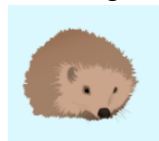
Mrs Fairs



CLASS NEWS



Little Hedgehogs



Last week we learnt all about another job that Mrs Kench did, she was a Post Person! We wrote letters to Father Christmas and walked to the post box to post them. We were lucky enough to meet a postal worker on route and he told us all about his job. We also made tasty wraps for snack that looked just like letters in envelopes.

This week we have started to think about Christmas, decorating Little Hedgehogs and making star jam tarts. We visited the church and Reverend Peter told us all about a Christian Christmas. Some of us watched a pantomime too.



Ways to support your child's learning at home:

1. Learn the rhyme of the week – good rhymers make great readers.
2. Share a story every night.

Shiny had a lovely time with Eva.

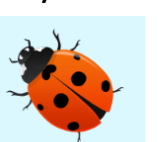
Picture of the week: Rafferty and Eva; Wow! You have been so creative; we love your collage using things you found in the garden.

Headteacher's Certificates: Khaleesi for helping to make our festive post box

Elsie for enthusiastic dancing to her favourite songs (we are learning all the moves!)

Hedgehugs Mrs Scott and team

Ladybirds



We have had a great few weeks in Ladybirds Class! The children were beautifully behaved on our trip to Canterbury Cathedral, despite the windy and wet weather! We have been thinking about the Nativity story and practising our play for you all to see at the end of term. Please could I remind you how important it is to read with your children daily to really embed the phonic sounds that we have been learning, it makes such a difference!

Mrs Minty

Butterflies



Butterflies Class enjoyed learning all about Advent and the advent wreath during R.E. Day. We made our own wreaths and paper chains and used the Lego and multilink to create some festive models. We also made our gingerbread man decorations which linked nicely with our English where we have enjoyed acting and writing about The Gingerbread Man.

On Wednesday we went to St James' Church where Reverend Peter told us the Christmas Story and showed us The Nativity scene. Thank you to Mrs Norris and Mrs Lintott for accompanying us.

Finally, we have been working very hard practicing the songs for our Christmas concert. We hope you will be able to come along and see us perform on Wednesday 17th December.

Mrs Charman

Dragonflies

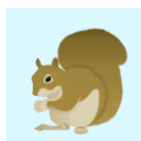


In Dragonflies Class we are embracing the Christmas spirit! The fairy lights and tinsel are up, and we are practising our Christmas Nativity performance every day. Thank you for sending in costumes and for helping your children to learn their lines and songs. Your help is very much appreciated!

In English, we have started planning our sequels to 'Jim and the Beanstalk'. The class have had some wonderful ideas and I am looking forward to reading their stories. On R.E. Day, we were visited by Reverend Peter, who reminded us of the Christmas Story. We enjoyed singing him some of the songs from our upcoming performance. We have also been getting very crafty! We have made 3D snowman baubles, Christmas cards and angels for our class display in church. We look forward to performing for you on 17th December!

Mrs Waller

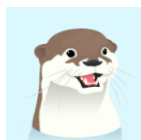
Squirrels



Squirrels had a fantastic R.E. Day. We learnt about Advent, making a class advent calendar. We learnt the song 'O Holy Night' and made hearts to celebrate the love for Jesus being born. We made Christmas gonks which are on proud display on the Christmas tree and made a Christmas card for our loved ones. Squirrels will be watching Stig of the Dump over the next couple of weeks linked to our class text. We have been busy writing a diary entry as Barney from Stig of the Dump. They are absolutely amazing!

Mrs Hammond

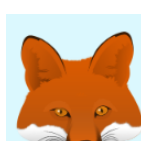
Otters



We have really enjoyed learning about Advent and opening our class advent calendars. In Science we became very technical and learnt how to wire a plug. Over the next two weeks we are looking forward to visiting the Elfridges shop and watching all the lovely Nativities and singing carols.

Mrs Morrison and Mrs Tyler

Foxes



We have been busily writing our own fantasy adventure story openings based on our class book, which we have nearly finished. In Topic, we have learnt about North America and Asia over the last two weeks– using atlases to find and identify key physical features and producing some wonderful information leaflets and art work. In Maths, we have been adding and subtracting mixed number fractions and we investigated shadows and refraction in our Science lessons.

The children have completed their swimming lessons now and it has been wonderful to see them enjoy the sessions and have made improvement – thank you to Mrs Bertosh for accompanying us.

A reminder that the children's pencil cases should have a blue handwriting pen and glue stick for them to use in class, I know many have run out so please could they be restocked.

Mrs Fairs

Badgers



In Badgers Class, we have been working hard on our descriptions of The Great War. We have been writing two descriptive pieces; on battlefields and the trenches. They have all been high quality, myself and Mrs Baker are so proud of the children. In Maths, we have been finishing our unit on fractions including multiplying and dividing as well as finding fractions of an amount. The week finished with our assembly for parents. Thank you all for coming, the children loved seeing you all there. I am incredibly proud of them.

Mr Lines

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES



New dates are highlighted

Term 2

Mon 8th Dec
Friday 12th Dec
Mon 15th Dec
Weds 17th Dec

2pm – LH Crafternoon
AM P.T.F.A. Elfridges in the hall
P.T.F.A. Jingle Ball in Sheldwich Town Hall
Christmas jumper day/Christmas dinner
9.05am– Class 1 performing carols to parents in hall
2pm – Class 2 production for parents
5pm – Class 2 production for parents
Last day of Term 2
9.30am – Christmas service in church (Classes 1-6)
10.30am – Class R Nativity in church

Term 3

Mon 5th Jan

w/c 12th Jan
Fri 6th Feb
Weds 11th Feb

Start of Term 3
Reverend Peter to visit school Epiphany assembly
Winter Walk week
9.10am - Class R assembly for parents
Classes 5 & 6 trip to Dreamland, Margate.
2pm - Little Hedgehogs Crafternoon
Reverend Peter to visit Class 4
9.10am – Class 4 assembly for parents
Last day of Term 3
Mid-year reports sent home

Term 4

Mon 23rd Feb

Start of Term 4
Lent Assembly – Reverend Peter visiting
R.E. Day Ramadan
Book Week
World Book Day – dressing up day

Tues 25th Feb
w/c 2nd March
Thurs 5th Mar

Tues 10th Mar
Fri 13th Mar

Class 4 Leeds Castle
Chess tournament – Round 1
2pm – Class R Mothers' Day tea
2pm – LH Crafternoon
9.10am – Class 3 assembly for parents
9.10am – Class 5 assembly for parents
Spring Walk Week
Parents' evening
Parents' evening
Last day of Term 4
9.30am - Easter service in church

Mon 16th Mar
Fri 20th Mar
Fri 27th Mar
w/c 30th Mar
Tues 31st Mar
Weds 1st Apr
Thurs 2nd Apr



CHOIR



Well done to the school choir who performed at the Faversham Christmas Lights Switch on Saturday in Faversham Market Place.

