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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers

The theme for this week's assembly was sport and it was led by Mr Page. He showcased the new sporting opportunities that will be available to our pupils on the grids in the spring term. He also recapped on the different sporting fixtures that Speenhamland have taken part in this term. The follow-up to this will be a special sporting newsletter which will be sent to parents next week.

Last Friday was our Christmas Fair and we were overwhelmed by the support we saw from our pupils and parents. The school was bustling with people playing the popular class stalls and buying hot turkey rolls. In total, we raised over **£2,300**, which is AMAZING! A special thank you goes to all the staff who donated their time to run stalls as well as Josh Knight, our FOSS chair. He has been instrumental in organising and leading this hugely successful event. We continue to look for more parents to join our FOSS team as current parent numbers are very low. Please look out in January for opportunities to attend the next meeting.

Finally, I would like to say a huge congratulations to all of the infant children for their fantastic nativity. They did an amazing job with their singing and acting, and were obviously very proud to perform to their audience. Again, a special thank you to Miss Buckell, Mrs McFall and Miss Goode as well as all the wonderful teaching assistants who supported the children. The children certainly put us all in a festive mood!

Mrs J Lewry
Headteacher



Everyone looked amazing in their Christmas jumpers last Friday.
We raised £150, which will be sent to Daisy's Dream.

Thank you!



Daisy's Dream
The charity supporting children through bereavement

Believe in children



Barnardo's

CONGRATULATIONS

A special **CONGRATULATIONS** to Alice who organised and ran her own stall at the Christmas Fair as a charity fundraiser. Through encouraging children to decorate their own gingerbread men, she raised a phenomenal £60, which she donated to Barnardo's.

Well done, Alice, for giving back to the community.

Parking Reminder

Only blue badge holders are permitted to park at school during pick up time.

Please also remember to show consideration on our local roads.

On Thursday, a car NL15 JJK blocked the road, which forced other car users to mount the pavement where children were walking.

Please show consideration.



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WINNERS
ARE...



Achievement and PSHE Awards

	SCHOOL	PSHE
Wisteria	Oliver Collins	Billy Cregg
Willow	Zoe Weston	Lukundo Mazhawidza
Cherry	Riley Orme	Miguel Cowap
Oak	Atharv Tripathi	Coco Dallas
Ash	Toby Goddard	Luciana Flower
Hawthorn	Ava Jerome	Scarlett Prout
Juniper	Yonis Hussein	Harry Davies
Maple	Taran Satheesh	Aarav Shukla
Acer	Christina Athanasiadou	Jude Waters
Redwood	Esme Cook	Daisie-Louise Campbell
Cedar		
Maths/English Group	Arthur Bernsten	



HOUSE WINNER THIS WEEK

The Dragon's Eggs results for this week are:

1st Zolty 308

2nd Laal 302

3rd Verde 297

4th Azul 295

Congratulations to Zolty!



Keep reading!

Reading logged in school and at home (3+ reads).

CONGRATULATIONS to Acer with a very impressive 96%! Well done to Cedar and Maple with a super 93%.

READING LOGGED 27-11-23 to 03-12-23

Class	Number of children	Percentage
Acer	29	96%
Ash	16	61%
Cedar	28	93%
Cherry	23	88%
Hawthorn	23	79%
Juniper	15	54%
Maple	26	93%
Oak	21	77%
Redwood	25	86%
Willow	17	85%
Wisteria	18	81%

Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

ATTENDANCE

This week's attendance is 90.13%

Last week's attendance was 93.27%

We are aware there are lots of infections and bugs at this time of year.

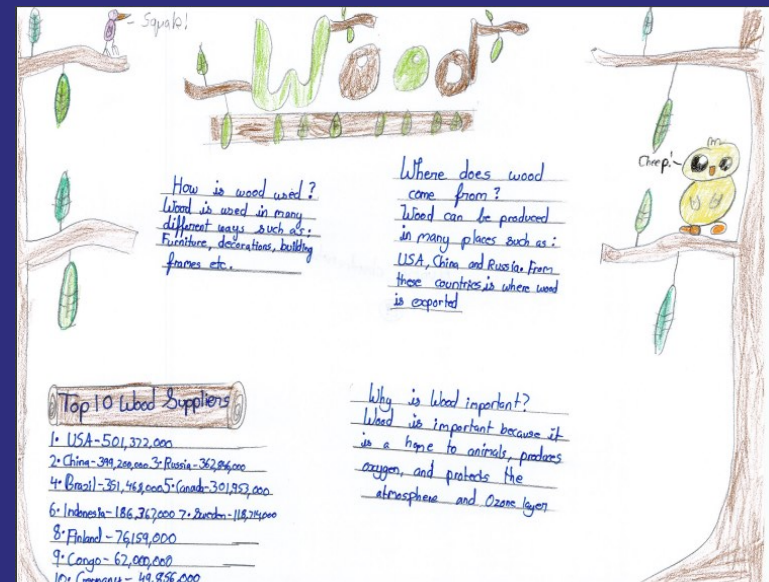
If your child is given antibiotics and is beginning to feel well, we can administer medicines at school.

EVERY DAY REALLY DOES MATTER!

PUPILS' AMAZING WORK THIS WEEK



Infant Nativity Excitement



This week, infants took to the stage to perform their nativity to both parents and school. Year 1 beautifully sang Christmas carols they had been learning over the past few weeks, while year 2 acted out the story of 'The Jolly Christmas Postman' with loud, clear voices.

They all did amazingly! Thank you also goes to all the parents who supported their child in the nativity and a big thank you to the infant staff for all their support with costumes, singing and acting.

Atharv from Oak class said:

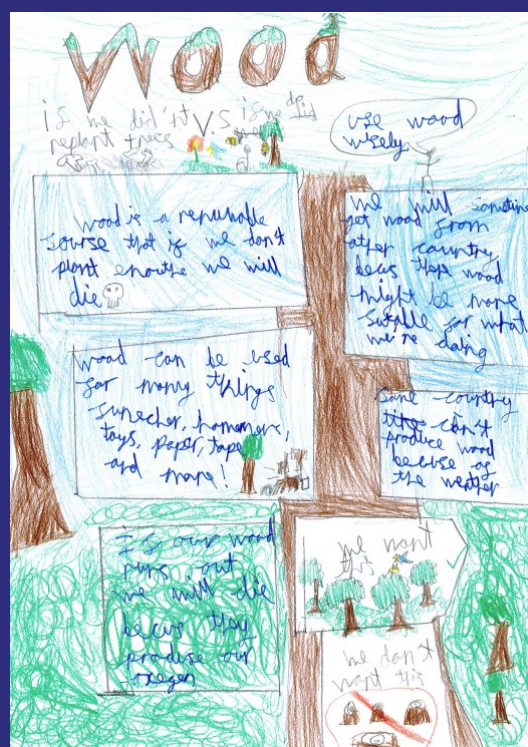
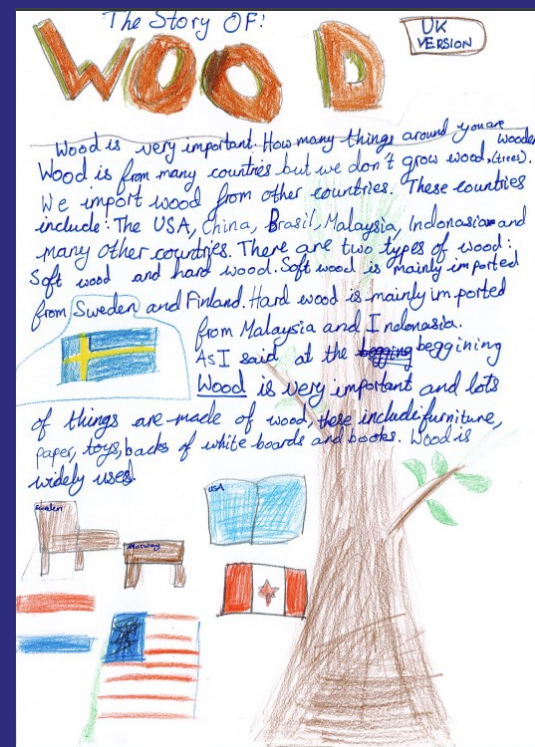
"My best bit was singing *We Three Kings*"

Darcy from Oak class said:

"I enjoyed being 'Angel Gabe' and singing *Starry Night*".

Matthew from Cherry class said:

"I think it was good. My favourite bit was singing at the end".



Acer class created some posters on the importance of wood.

Work by Damian, Navil and Avnish from Acer class.

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MORE AMAZING WORK THIS WEEK!



This week in Reception, the children have shown great team work.

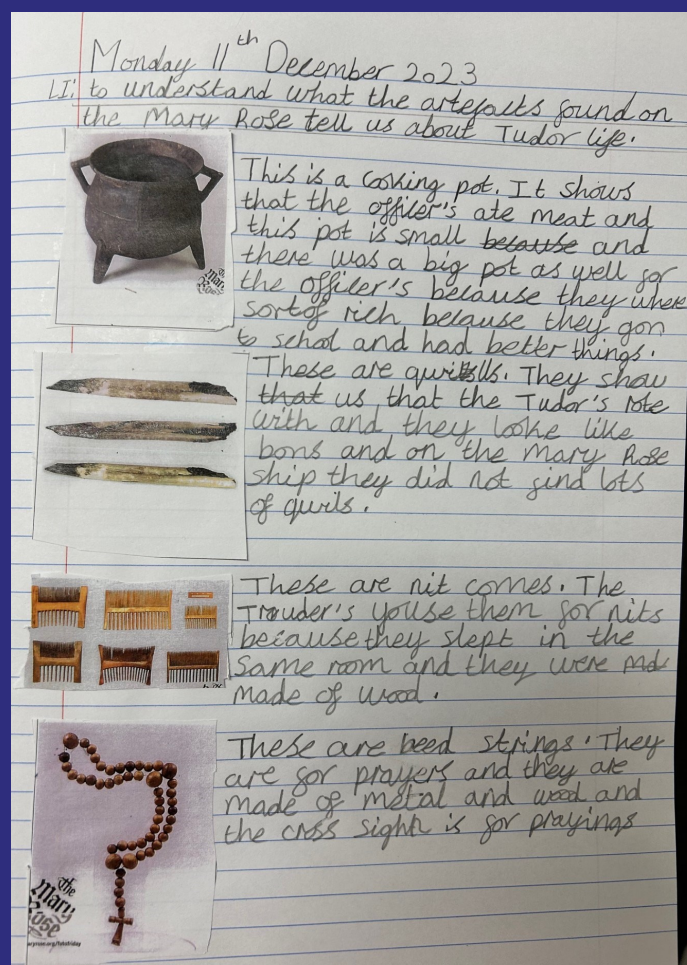
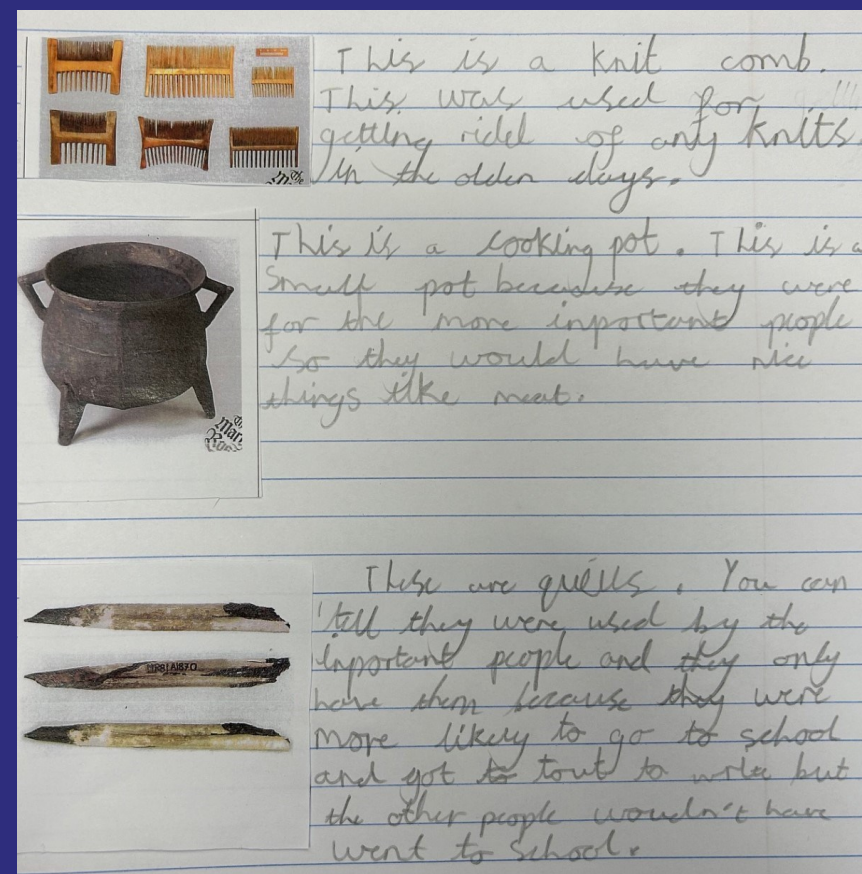
Sofiia and Joey decided to brush moss off the tree.

Joey said they were making it healthy.

Adelyn poured water and created a 'waterfall'.

During house building with crates, the children worked together.

When conflicts arose, they worked through these to help support collaboration and working with others respectfully.



This week in Maple, we became historians and researched the different artefacts that were found on The Mary Rose and thought about what these items tell us about Tudor life. We were quite surprised to find 83 nit combs on board and some leather boots that almost looked like new!

Work by Harper and Nishika from Maple Class

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CHRISTMAS DINNER WAS YUMMY!



Christmas Dinner

Thank you to our amazing cooks for our wonderful Christmas dinner!



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