



St. Aidan's Stars Bulletin

In the Love and Truth of Jesus we grow



This week has been assessment week in school. We've been carrying out some assessments to support the teachers in helping the children make as much progress as possible. I am really pleased with all of the effort the children have been putting in. I am particularly pleased with Year 6, who have showed so much improvement since the start of the year - it is down to their hard work and determination to improve that they have done so well.

We have also welcomed a new member of staff. Mrs Poynton will be working between Year 1 and Reception supporting some of the children in both of those classes, initially until the end of the school year. I'm sure you will make her feel very welcome.

Have a lovely weekend! Mr Moran.



Our fantastic award winners this week – given for lots of wonderful things, please ask why if your child was a winner.

Class News

Seedlings – This week we have explored Jack and the Beanstalk. The children produced some lovely pictures to support their retells. We have also begun to talk about Advents and created our very own Advent wreath.

Saplings – We've been trip trapping over lots of bridges and practising our scary troll voices! We've even retold the story to music.

Sycamores – A great week learning about old and new toys and the first teddy in History!

Poplars – Year 2 have loved learning about explorers this week!

Maples – It's been a very busy week in Maple class. We have had some assessments for Maths and Reading at the start of the week and have welcomed an elf, Eddie, to our class.

Elms – This week we have investigated electricity and how adding components make the bulb brighter or dimmer.

Hawthorns – This week, we began our new RE topic: Advent. We discussed what it means to wait for the coming of Christ and compared it to how our experiences of waiting and how that makes us feel.

Chestnuts – Year 6 have done amazingly well with their practice SATs assessments this week. I am so proud of them!

Attendance

Saplings – 82.33%

Sycamores – 95.42%

Poplars – 93.33%

Maples – 93.33%

Elms – 95.00%

Hawthorns – 92.50%

Chestnuts – 85.61%

Well done to Miss Dunning's class this week. It is literally neck and neck between 2 classes at the moment for the winner of the term with 2 weeks left before the winner is announced!

Special mentions this week go to Leigh for helping his mum paint the conservatory, Liam and Clara T for completing 5 Park Runs, Molly R for being Ashington under 11 cricket team's most improved player of 2022, Morgan M for coming 9th out of 39 in a trampolining competition and she will be taking part in her first synchro competition this weekend, Lily K for doing extremely well in her recent dance exams, especially in Musical Theatre where she was awarded Honours, Archie P for showing amazing empathy to others and being very kind and caring, Layton I for being Man of the Match for Bedlington Lions, Jessica B for achieving 2 Highly Commended and 2 Honours grades in her recent dance exams, Charlotte A for reaching Level 2 in her swimming and Florence T for showing such kindness and thoughtfulness to her cousin, even when she was feeling unwell.