



FRIDAY 22ND NOVEMBER 2019

BITTERLEY CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY ACADEMY 2 - 11



<u>Dates</u>	
Book Fair	21 – 27 th Nov
Parents evening	27 th Nov
Friends of Bitterley Meeting	28 th Nov, 7.00pm, The Squirrel
Pantomime trip – Fir & Oak	5 th Dec
Christmas Fair	7 th Dec
Choir & music concert	10 th Dec, 2pm
Maple/Willow Christmas play	11 th Dec, 2pm & 6pm
LA, WW, MM pantomime trip	12 th Dec
Christmas Jumper Day	13 th Dec
Fir & Oak Christmas Play	17 th Dec, 1.00pm
Fir & Oak Christmas Play	18 th Dec, 6.00pm
Christmas Craft Day	18 th Dec
Church Service/Little Acorns nativity, 10am Christmas lunch	19 th Dec
End of term	
Spring Term Starts	6th Jan
Half term	17 th – 21 st Feb
Easter holidays	6 th – 17 th April



Values

We are a Christian Values based school. We create an environment in which children love to learn, where they drive the choices made about their learning and where they develop social and relationship skills which will last throughout their lives. Our value for November is Courage.

Choir & music concert

The school choir and children currently having violin lessons will be performing in a concert at 2.00pm on 10th December in the school hall. All parents of children in the choir and learning to play the violin are invited.

Any child who plays/is learning to play a musical instrument is welcome to come along to an audition on the lunchtime of Wednesday 27th November with Mrs. France. She will then let your child know if they will also be taking part in the concert.



Star of the Week

Little Acorns: Everlynn for super joining in and counting in circle time.

Wondrous Willows: Jordan for his fantastic focus and motivation in our Christmas play rehearsals.

Majestic Maples: Archel for having excellent focus and motivation towards his work!

Fantastic Firs: Olivia for super effort and enthusiasm in learning the songs and the actions for the Christmas play.

Mighty Oaks: Maisie for being a super role model and always giving 100% effort to everything.



Achievement Assembly

Well done to Zack for receiving a special award for 'great rugby' from Luctonians Rugby Club.

Xanthe was awarded Swimmer of the Week for her excellent front

crawl and back stroke. Well done Xanthe!



Non-uniform day, Friday 22nd

Today we held our annual on-uniform/bring a bottle day. Thank you to all parents and carers who donated bottles for the bottle stall at the Christmas Fayre.



Book Fair

Our annual Scholastic Book Fair started yesterday. It will be open each day after school until 4.00pm and in the morning from 8.30am until the start of school. It finishes on the morning of Wednesday 27th November. Please note that we only accept cash as payment for purchases.



Birthdays

This week we have celebrated the birthday of Kelsey.

Children's Page

*"Today I played with a boat. William helped me make it!"
Dottie, Little Acorns.*

*"We found out that Paddington Bear was a refugee. I liked making a label for a teddie. Mine was pink and called Unicorn". Effie,
Wondrous Willows.*

"Yesterday in maths we were looking at taking away and using tens and ones!" Charlotte, Majestic Maples.

"This week we have been learning about masks. Death masks are worn so that the person who died is protected for their after life and often have mosaic patterns on them. Event masks are colourful and often represent animals and gods. The event masks have circles and vibrant colours on them." Fliss and Zanthe, Fantastic Firs.

*"Mighty Oaks have been preparing the play, making parachutes, learning about fractions and having a jam packed week! We have been making parachutes and confirming which material is the best and testing them out. The play is coming along smoothly. We have brought in teddies and now we understand what refugee children have to go through (please donate some money to UNICEF)".
Saffron, Mighty Oaks.*



Thank you Ebby!

We are very grateful to Ebby Simpson. Last year Ebby left Bitterley to go to Tenbury High School. Ebby came back today

to receive a special thank you certificate which was presented by Bitterley Local Academy Board chair, Imogen Jones.

We were saying thank you to Ebby because he decided to do a sponsored bike ride in aid of our new IT equipment fund. He raised an AMAZING £64! What a superb gesture and what a great demonstration for the type of young person Ebby is growing up to be – of which we are very proud!



Thank you Will!

Thank you to Will Brown who also return to Bitterley School this week to help out in Wondrous Willow Class.



Parent and Carers Questionnaire

Many thanks to all parents and carers who to the time to fill in and return questionnaires. We have published to response on the school website under the parent's tab.