



**AUTUMN TERM 2:  
WB- 8<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2025**

# NEWSLETTER

**CALLOW END CE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Building a foundation for Love and Learning

## HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE



Dear Parents/Carers,

Earlier this week, our school community came together to celebrate the Christmas season with our annual Nativity at the historic and atmospheric Stanbrook Abbey. Ash and Holly Class put on a wonderful performance retelling the birth of Jesus. Our narrators were loud, clear, and confident, telling the story beautifully. The Reception class delivered a graceful and charming star dance, while Holly Class acted with real expression and enthusiasm. It was a joy to see the children share their hard work with families in such a special setting.

Following the Nativity, we were delighted to hold what we hope will become a cherished Christmas tradition for Callow End: our Carols by Candlelight service. The children sang with warmth and clarity, and their readings were delivered with great poise. Stanbrook Abbey once again provided a stunning backdrop, enhancing the magic of the evening. A joyful rendition of Jingle Bells, sung fluently in French, was the perfect finishing touch. We are truly blessed to belong to such a beautiful village, surrounded by wonderful families and a deeply supportive community.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Miss Curtis



**FROM THE  
CLASSROOM  
CELEBRATIONS  
COMPETITION**

# From the Classroom...

## Saplings class

It's been a wonderfully festive week in Saplings Class! The children have been busy getting into the Christmas spirit with lots of joyful, creative activities. They've enjoyed painting, sticking, and sprinkling plenty of glitter onto their Christmassy masterpieces. From sparkling decorations to colourful seasonal crafts, the classroom has been full of excitement, imagination, and lots of proud little artists. We've loved seeing their faces light up as they explore different materials and create something special to take home. What a magical way to start the festive season!



## Ash class



We could not be prouder of Ash Class and their wonderful performance in this year's Nativity. For such young children, standing up in front of a hall full of adults is a huge achievement in itself but they rose to the occasion magnificently. They sang beautifully, performed with grace and bravery, and were truly little stars from beginning to end. A well done to every child in Ash Class for creating such a special moment for us all.



# From the Classroom...

## Holly class



Holly Class had a wonderfully festive afternoon this week as the children rolled up their sleeves to create beautiful clay Christmas decorations. With plenty of creativity (and a little bit of clay dust!) they rolled, stamped, and painted their own ornaments.

These handmade clay treasures will be sold at the upcoming Christmas Bazaar and they're sure to become special keepsakes that can be enjoyed on your Christmas tree for many years to come. We're so proud of the children's hard work and can't wait for you to see their lovely creations!

## Oak class



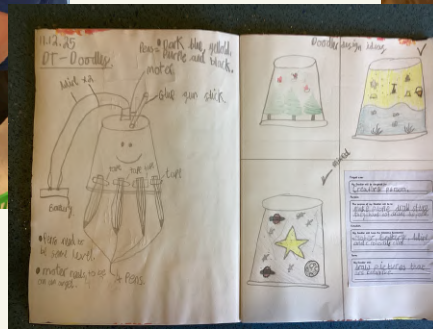
In Oak class we have been busy planning and conducting an experiment on the effect different liquids have on the teeth. We have labelled up four pots of liquids: water, Lucozade, coke and vinegar and popped a boiled egg in each one. We will observe over the next week and see what happens to each eggshell. We have discussed our predictions and our excited to find out the results!

# From the Classroom...

## Willow class

This week, Willow Class have been busy becoming young designers and engineers! The children have been learning all about Doodlers, which are small machines that create patterns on paper. To begin, they explored a selection of broken doodlers, tinkering with the different parts to discover how they work and fix them.

With this new understanding, the children then turned their attention to design. They thought carefully about who their doodler might be for, choosing a target audience such as younger children, artists, or even imaginative characters! Using this as inspiration, they sketched out creative and colourful designs, thinking about shape, decoration, and how their doodler would move. Everyone is now looking forward to next week, when they will bring their fantastic ideas to life and build their very own working doodlers. We can't wait to see the results!



## Carols by Candlelight



We are incredibly proud of our KS2 children, who performed so beautifully at Stanbrook for our Carols by Candlelight evening. Their confident singing, thoughtful readings, and joyful enthusiasm created a truly magical atmosphere. It was a wonderfully festive occasion that brought our school community together and left everyone glowing with Christmas spirit.

Thank you to all families for your support, this special evening marks the beginning of a tradition we look forward to building on for many years to come.



# Gold Book

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| <p>Saplings Class<br/>Mrs Eggerton</p>                     | <p><b>Ned</b> for super singing during our Christmas practices.</p>  |
| <p>Ash Class<br/>Mrs Lindsey</p>                           | <p><b>Arabella</b> for great contributions in phonics and reading.</p>   |
| <p>Holly Class<br/>Mrs Fuller</p>                          | <p><b>Edith</b> for bringing the role of Mary to life with wonderful acting.<br/><b>Arthur</b> for wonderful storytelling and beautiful singing in the nativity.</p> |
| <p>Oak Class<br/>Mrs Widdrington &amp;<br/>Mrs Scanlon</p> | <p><b>Grace</b> for fantastic multiplication and division work.<br/><b>Elizabeth</b> for working so hard on her descriptive writing.</p>                             |
| <p>Willow Class<br/>Miss Brooks</p>                        | <p><b>George S</b> for wonderful effort and perseverance with long multiplication<br/><b>Iris</b> for always setting a fantastic example to others!</p>              |



Well done to all of our Gold book award achievers this week!

## Times table ROCKSTAR of the week



Well done to our Times Table Rockstar champions—  
keep practicing and boosting your speed!



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| Year 1 | George |
| Year 2 | Dylan  |
| Year 3 | Isla   |
| Year 4 | Hayden |
| Year 5 | Will M |
| Year 6 | Hattie |



## Diary Dates



|                                 |                                     |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 12 <sup>th</sup> December       | Christmas Bazaar<br>from 3.30pm     |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> December       | Year 5/6 Djembe<br>concert          |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> December       | Church Christmas<br>service 9:15am  |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> December       | Last day of term                    |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> January<br>2026 | Children return to<br>school        |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> January         | Young Voices<br>Yr 5/6              |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> January        | Swimming lessons<br>start for Yr3/4 |

Please see class dojo for further updates about calendar events.



**ClassDojo**

## Clubs



All clubs have now finished for this term.

## Contact us:

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## Donations

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to all parents and families for their generous donations during our performances at Stanbrook this week. Your kindness and support are truly appreciated.

Every penny raised will go directly towards enrichment activities for the children, helping us to create even more exciting, engaging, and memorable opportunities for them throughout the year.

Thank you once again, it makes such a positive difference to our school community.



## Attendance

Whole School attendance this week:

**MOMENTS  
MATTER,  
ATTENDANCE  
COUNTS.**

**94.8%**

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| Ash Class    | 99.2% |
| Holly Class  | 93.5% |
| Oak Class    | 95.7% |
| Willow Class | 92.6% |

We've seen quite a few seasonal bugs circulating this week, but we're pleased to share that attendance has remained strong. Thank you for your continued support in keeping our school community healthy. With just one more week to go, let's keep up the great effort!

# Competition



## Philip Laney & Jolly

**Merry Christmas!**

### Christmas Bauble Colouring Competition

Design, colour, and decorate your own Christmas bauble!  
Use pens, pencils, glitter, stickers, or anything creative.

**Philip Laney & Jolly**

23 Worcester Road, Malvern, WR14 4QY

Monday–Friday 9:00am–5:30pm | Saturday 10:00am–2:00pm



Have fun, be creative, and spread some Christmas cheer!

There is still time to enter!

Philip, Laney and Jolly will be visiting on Wednesday to award prizes to 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place in each class so send your entries in this weekend to be in with a chance of winning.



# CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

AN EVENT FOR ALL THE FAMILY TO ENJOY

FACE PAINTING, STALLS, CRAFTS, REFRESHMENTS,  
SANTA'S GROTTO, RAFFLE AND NAUGHTY GUEST!



FRIDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER  
3:30PM - 5PM



GALLOW END VILLAGE HALL

