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It has been a fun packed week with the children create lots of wonderful memories. We started off with the Odd Sock day to launch Anti Bullying Week which really shows off individual personalities from staff and children. This gave us why we need to look after each other as kindness is more important today than it has ever been. The isolation of the last year has underlined how little acts of consideration can break down barriers and brighten the lives of the people around us. This is one of the reasons, that '**One Kind Word**' has been chosen as the theme of Anti-Bullying Week and we believe as a school it relates to us more than ever before as '**Let Your Light Shine**' was key to us as a community.



The children of Audlem St James have always been beacons of Light that shine brightly to ensure even in the darkest days there has always been light. This week I have seen that again through Anti Bullying Week as well as Children In Need as children have gone above and beyond in ensuring they make a difference to someone's life either at school or in the wider world.



Thought of the Week



Praise Book Children this week

- Mrs Burgess and Mrs Maughan's class: Harry Morgan
- Mrs Hayward and Mrs Kemp's class: Arabella Goodwin
- Mrs Richardson and Miss Ratcliffe's class: Heidi Boyle
- Mr Davies' class: Austin Wright
- Miss Morris' class: Anna Ammundsen



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Mr Blenkiron's class: Tobias Dinsdale

Mrs Bird's class: Mia Taylor

5Rs this week

Readiness to Learn: Niamh Watson; Willow Bonell, Thomas Hassall and Evie McColley-Hayward.

Responsibility: Lewis Rogers

Resourcefulness: Milo Hetherington-Doyle

Resilience: Rory Brampton

School

Amethyst class: This week in Amethyst Class, we continued our story, 'I'm going to eat this ant.' We created menus for the anteater, were sound detectives and wrote a letter to him with our food suggestions. In maths, we revisited 'more than' or 'fewer than' by looking (subitising). We played a game of 'Who has more?' and 'Too many or not enough?' We will also compare groups of up to 3 objects by matching them 1:1. We had fun on Odd Socks Day and enjoyed wearing yellow and spotty clothes for Children in Need.

Sapphire class: This week the children have talked about the importance of helping others. In maths they have been learning about fact families. In English the children have been constructing sentences about the things they can see and hear at the seaside. In history the children have been learning about the types of clothes that Victorian school children would have worn. In geography the children have been impressing us with their 'sticky knowledge' of the United Kingdom. In science the children have been impressing us with their knowledge of carnivores, omnivores and herbivores.

Pearl class: This week we started our technology project and we identified what a moving vehicle is and the main parts of a moving vehicle. In History, we made comic strips to answer questions about the Fire of Nantwich, including how it started, how long it lasted and what caused the fire to spread. In English, the children have planned and written letters as characters from Troll Swap and in Guided Reading we have used our knowledge of stories to compare trolls and pirates. In Maths we have completed Week 6 of Mastering Number and the children explored how to make 8 from two odd numbers or two even numbers. We also practised counting on in 2's and 5's. In Science we have investigated the four seasons by looking at which months and special occasions and religious festivals belong to them. We have also done lots of wonderful singing this week, rehearsing some Christmas songs and in music lessons. The children composed and performed singing London's Burning while playing instruments, thinking about dynamics, tempo, texture and timbre. For Children in Need we explored mindfulness and practised how to be mindful.

Amber class: We started the week in odd socks for Anti-Bullying Week. We took part in gymnastics on Monday and swimming on Tuesday then, as part of our history topic, we learnt how the stones were moved from Wales to Stonehenge. In maths we have been using the "column" method and in English we have been writing diary entries based on our book "Winter's Child". We ended the week covered in spots for Children in Need.

Emerald class: This week Emerald class have worked on subtracting with exchanges and multi-step addition and subtraction problems. In English the children have written setting descriptions of mysterious, magical shops that have appeared around school. They have used adjectives and time, place and mood details in their writing. They retold the parable of 'The Good Samaritan' in RE and reflected on the positive and negative consequences of The Industrial Revolution in History. The class enjoyed a visit from Crewe Alex to talk about diversity. They also investigated sound-proofing by making and designing ear defenders in Science/DT. The children enjoyed their Victorian partner dance session and investigated artists similar to William Morris for research into pattern for their zentangle portrait.

Ruby class: This week, as part of anti-bullying week, the children of Ruby Class enjoyed a live lesson from the BBC and designed their own anti-bullying posters educating others on the six roles you can play in an incident of bullying. In maths, we have been finishing off our unit on addition and subtraction, talked about how the equals sign is like a set of scales, and moved onto statistics focusing on line graphs.

In English, the children have been researching the soldiers from Audlem who fought in WW1 and wrote poems including metaphors, similes and personification relevant to their chosen soldier.

In RE, we have been learning about the three wise men, the gifts they gave to Jesus and how these gifts represented something about Jesus' life. They then decided what gift they would give to Jesus if they were a Magi and why.

In Science, we have begun our unit on the solar system starting with the phases of the moon. The children learned to identify the different phases and drew diagrams explaining the phenomena of new and full moons.



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Diamond class: In Year 6 this week, the children have enjoyed identifying different types of trees, archery and making shelters in Forest Schools. They have also been learning how to perform shapes and balances in gymnastics using equipment at different heights. In English, they are writing a letter from a point of view of an evacuee and are working on a newspaper report based in France under occupation in 1942.

Everyone!

You are all amazing shining stars.



Friends of Audlem School

Friends are collecting Christmas Jumpers that people have grown out of/no longer need. Please send your unwanted jumpers into school before Friday 26th November. Friends will be holding a sale on the playground on Friday 3rd December.

If you would like a beautiful Christmas Wreath for your home, Friends have you covered. We will start making our wonderful creations next week. You can pre-order these at www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofjudlemschool or keep an eye on our Facebook page for updates.

Save the Date! Friends will be holding a **Santa Stroll** from the village on Sunday 12th December at 10:30. Join us for some Santa hats, fresh air and fun. Further details to follow.

Reminder - 'Big Switch On' and Santa's Grotto - Friday 26th November

Thank you to everyone who has already signed up to be part of the school choir. Please send a consent slip to school if your child wishes to join us.

ADAS will be using an online booking system for the Santa's Grotto at the Big Switch On this year -

www.pta-events.co.uk/adas

Bookings will open on Friday 19th November from 5.30pm and close on Monday 22nd November at 5.30pm. Please only book one slot per family. As always, the Grotto is free for all but if you would like to give a donation on evening that would be much appreciated. As always, the funds will be used to enhance and support the village.

Big Switch On Timings:

6pm Santa Arrives at the Wharf

6.20pm Switch on of the Big Tree Lights

6.25pm Audlem St James Choir

6.45pm Santa's Grotto Opens

Reminder for Reception places for September 2022

The application process for children who are due to start school for the first time and those who are due to transfer to secondary school in September 2022 started this week. Please apply online at www.cheshireeast.gov.uk or alternatively you can request an application form by contacting the Local Authority on 0300 123 5012.

The closing date for primary admissions is 15 January 2022.

If you have friends who are interested in places at our school, could you please make sure they have our telephone number, to register their interest with us.

Finally

It is important that our newsletter and all other forms of communication we send out to parents and carers, give you a clear and detailed picture of our work in school, so that you are kept up to date with events in school and our community. If you have any ideas, comments or suggestions about the content of newsletters please get in touch with me.

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