

Friday 12th December 2025

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Our Christian value this Half Term is Compassion

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Calendar of Events

16th December 2.00 Christmas Production	5th January INSET Day – staff only
17th December 9.30 Christmas Production 2.00 Christmas Production – extra date!!!	6th January Children return to school
18th December Uniform Swap Shop 9.00 Chringle Service	
19th December Jack and the Beanstalk Pantomime, Kings Lynn End of Term	

As we approach the end of term, there has been no slowing down in our learning! Each class has been involved in completing assessments and it is pleasing to see how much progress children are making in phonics across the school, the multiplication timestable mock checks in Year 4 and mock SATs in Year 6. In the new year we will be launching some key learning events so that you are up to speed with learning strategies and expectations in each year group and how you can play a huge part in helping your children to shine and show their true potential.

This week has seen a wealth of Christmas experiences for the children. The excitement and enthusiasm shown on each and every child's face has been an absolute delight to see and has made the week fly by!

iRock Concert

We were really proud of our bands on Monday as we watched our latest iRock performance. What a talented and confident group of performers we have!



Fab Science Christmas Workshop

The children had an amazing time being scientists and have been encouraged to “try this at home” by our visiting scientists. The Fab Science website has lots and lots of amazing experiments to try out at home <https://www.fabscience.co.uk/he/>

In Acorn Class, the children particularly enjoyed "the explosion" of the mentos hitting the fizzy and shooting up very high! The children listened so well and made some good scientific predictions about what they thought was going to happen.



Chestnut Class enjoyed exploring a variety of science experiments and were eager to get stuck straight in. The children particularly liked the mentos and lemonade experiment and watching it explode!





The children in Beech loved the Science workshop, particularly making potions with different liquids that then had red cabbage added to it. There were some brilliant predictions about what colours might be created and real excitement when layered and fizzing colour combinations were made. Another favourite was when they were 'shot' with air doughnuts! These experiences really enable the children to see the fun application of their Science knowledge, as well as seeing real scientists in action!





Elm and Oak Class looked at the densities of different liquids and how they separate. They also mixed some different liquids with red cabbage juice to test their acidity. We discovered when they were acidic because the liquid turned pink! Several of the children have now decided they want to be scientists when they grow up.

The dry ice and washing up liquid was a particular favourite and we were soon over run with rivers of foaming bubbles.





Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch

A big thank you to the Friends of Weeting who transformed our hall into a Christmas dining experience! The table cloths, cups and, most importantly – the crackers, went down a storm! Miss Kent and Mrs Wilson from Caterlink cooked up a delicious Christmas lunch, where the gingerbread men biscuits were the outright winners! Thank you to Mrs Stubbins, Mrs Palmer and Apple After School Club who did such a professional job in decorating the Christmas tree this year. Everybody looked very festive in their jumpers and t-shirts and our Christmas Lunch was delicious!



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Posada

The second week of Advent and the Posada journey has seen more kind children welcoming the Nativity characters into their homes. It would seem that Woolly the Sheep and Donkey have branched out from carrot eating and have new favourites, including chocolate fountains, pizza and watermelon! Mary joined in the fun this week and demonstrated her gymnastic skills!



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Fleece Force – Tickets

This year we have three performances of our Christmas Production “Fleece Force”, taking place on **Tuesday 16th December at 2.00pm, Wednesday 17th December at 9.30am and 2.00pm**. Each child (where there are siblings in school this will be counted as 1 child) will be entitled to 2 seats. Due to fire regulations children under 2 will need to have a booked seat. Allocations can be split across performances. Last day for ordering and collecting tickets is **Monday 15th December**. Any remaining tickets will be allocated to families on our waiting list after this.

At each show we will have a charity collection bucket available. All money raised will be donated to the East Anglian Air Ambulance and Addenbrooke’s Charity Trust in memory of Destiny Devereux and PACT Animal Charity, our school charity of the year.

Christingle Service

We will be holding our annual Christingle Service, at school, on **Thursday 18th December at 9.00am**. Please can **all children bring an orange** into school on **Monday 15th December** so that they can make their Christingles.

Pantomime

We are all looking forward to our annual pantomime trip on **Friday 19th December**. Please can children come in school uniform on the day to help with easy identification as the performance is a school only one and we are one of several schools attending. To help get in the festive spirit if your child wants to wear a Christmas headband, length of tinsel or Christmas accessories please feel free to do so!

Reading Rockets

Congratulations to the following children who received their Bronze Reading Rocket certificates this week:

Elm – Evie B.

Congratulations to the following children who received their Silver Reading Rocket certificates this week:

Elm – Seb, Ryan, Tudor

Staffing News

We want to send a huge congratulations to Mrs Colberg who has been appointed to a new role in the Trust this week. Sadly this means that she will be leaving us at the end of term, but we know all the skills that she has learnt whilst being at Weeting are going to help her as she works in providing support to the DEMAT family of schools.



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Tesco Blue Tokens

Our Tesco grant bid is going very well. We are heading towards the last month of token collection so if you are able to help out by shopping and donating blue tokens at the Brandon store we would be very grateful. Funds will be used to help develop Acorn's outdoor area. We still have quite a few tokens that could do with being dropped off, so if anyone could help out please come and see Mrs Colberg.

Lunch Clubs

As part of our enrichment programme for children, we are continuing with lunchtime clubs this year.


I am pleased to announce that we have a new Wednesday lunchtime music club offer. There will be 10 spaces available for children in Chestnut and Beech classes and another session with 10 spaces for children in Elm and Oak classes. Bookings for this can be made via MCAS.

Mr Jarvis runs a sports club on Tuesday lunchtimes for Chestnut and Beech Class and on Thursday lunchtimes for Elm and Oak. There are no charges for lunchtime clubs.


Rising Stars After School Club


 Weeting Afterschool Clubs are BACK for 2026! 

Get set for an action-packed year with Rising Stars Coaching at Weeting Primary School!


 Tuesdays: Multisports / Dodgeball

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 Time: 3:15 – 4:15pm

 Open to Reception – Year 6

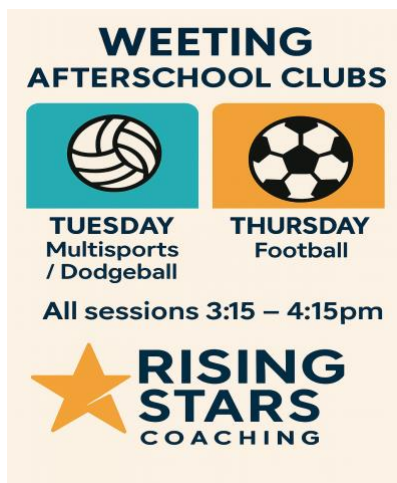
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Please note that the After School Clubs on **Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3.15-4.15pm**, run by Mr Jarvis, must be booked through the links below.



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Community Pantry – Weekend Food Bags

As part of the Weeting Primary School Community Pantry, we have Weekend Food Bags available for collection from outside of the school office, from 8:30am – 5:15pm, every Friday.

Wraparound Care Provision

We are striving to make our before and after school clubs accessible to all families. We have listened to feedback from families and have decided to increase the options available to you.

Our Wraparound Care consists of:

Birch Breakfast Club

7.40am-8.40am at a cost of **£5.00 per session**. This cost includes a drink and a choice of cereal or toast.



Birch Breakfast Club					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Activity	Drama and storytelling	Games in the hall	Drawing Club Physical	Construction	Games
Snack	Toast or cereal	Toast or cereal	Toast or cereal	Toast or cereal	Toast or cereal

Bookings for Birch Breakfast Club must be made by 6pm on the previous day. On the day bookings will not be accepted.

Apple After School Club

3:15pm - 4:15pm at a cost of £3.50 per session.

3:15pm - 5:15pm at a cost of £5.50 per session.

3:15pm - 6pm at a cost of £7.50 per session.

4:15pm - 5:15pm (after Rising Stars sports club, Tuesdays and Thursdays only at a cost of £3.50 per session)

4:15pm - 6pm (after Rising Stars sports club, Tuesdays and Thursdays only at a cost of £5.00 per session)

Children staying for a part session will receive a drink, yoghurt or toast and fruit. Children staying for a full session will get a light tea consisting of pitta pizzas, pasta, soup or a toastie.

Children attending an after school club session, after the Rising Stars sports club, will be collected by Mrs Stubbins or Mrs Palmer from the sports club.





		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Activity		Book Club	Cooking Club	Lego Club	Creative Club	Games and disco dancing
Snack	3.15-4.15	Yoghurt or toast Fruit bowl	Yoghurt or toast Fruit bowl	Yoghurt or toast Fruit bowl	Yoghurt or toast Fruit bowl	Yoghurt or toast Fruit bowl
	3.15-6.00	Pasta	Pitta pizzas	Bagels	Muffins or crumpets	Toasties

We are very much looking forward to a new full week of activities and have some fun and exciting things planned for the children next term. Here is a list of the activities planned for the start of term!

Week beginning 15th December

Monday 15th December - Book club: "The Christmas Selfie Contest" and Christmas trees

Tuesday 16th December - Cooking club: mince pies

Wednesday 17th December - Lego club

Thursday 18th December – Creative club: Christmas cards

Friday 19th December - Disco

Apple After School Club and Birch Breakfast Club at Weeting Primary School are registered childcare providers. This means you could claim tax-free childcare. This scheme is available for working families, including the self-employed. For every £8 you pay into an online account, the government will add an extra £2, up to £2,000 per year. For more information, please visit www.childcarechoices.gov.uk





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What is happening at Weeting?

The children have been very busy this week. Here's what's been happening in your child's class:

Acorn

This week we recalled what we have learnt about our transport theme this term all. The children really impressed the adults with all the information they could recall about transport we have now, transport around the world, transport in the past and how we can keep safe when we travel. The children's amazing knowledge included "A plane travels in the sky", "A lorry travels on the road.", "We have to stop, look, listen and think when we cross the road and hold our mummy's hand.", "We must wear bright clothes so cars can see us.", "We must wear a seat belt.", "A tuk tuk has three wheels.", "Gondolas are small boats in Italy.", "Bullet trains go at a super speed.", "In the past the planes were slow and small and didn't carry many people.", "Boats were slow, they used steam.", "Steam trains used coal.", "George Stephenson made the first steam train, it was called the Rocket." and "There are engines now, they help vehicles move."

In our Maths learning we role played being postal workers, delivering the numbered Christmas cards to the matching numbered doors! We also planned and created our own maze outside, thinking about what we could use to build and make sure that we had an entrance and exit. We had to think about which shapes to use and how much space we would need. The children enjoyed testing out the real thing!





We continued completing our final art pieces, adding trees and clouds to our autumn or summer sky. We then spent time evaluating our artwork discussing which materials we used, what we enjoyed about creating our artwork, what we found hard and if we would change anything about it.

Chestnut

This week in Literacy we have been continuing to read our class text 'Mr. Gumpy's Outing'. Our focus questions this week have been; 'Where would you go sailing?', 'Which transport would Mr. Gumpy use instead of a boat' and 'What would you see around the river?'.

In Maths this week the children have been learning about the number block 4. We explored how the number block 4 made their own Stampoline patterns which we later recreated using the unifix blocks. The children then described their Stampoline pattern and discussed how their blocks were arranged.





Beech

This week in Beech Class has been all about taking stock of the progress that we have made so far.



In Maths, the children have been strengthening their number knowledge by not only building numbers to 100 using tens and ones, but also identifying their position on number lines. They have been demonstrating their understanding of which number comes next and before.

In Art, Beech have created their Matisse-inspired final pieces, employing cut out organic shapes of various complementary colours. They then analysed and assessed their work against the expectations and criteria, and they were able to identify their greatest successes and aspects that they would change if they were to do it again.

Beech have been able to demonstrate all their knowledge of habitats, food chains and how animals adapt to survive in different habitats, but recreating a rainforest habitat and a desert and identifying the plants and animals that live there and why.

Our OTTO programme continues apace this week, with finger football and jumping frogs building up the dexterity of our hands. The impact that it is having on handwriting cannot be overstated, and we are also seeing an improvement in physical stamina and core stability, meaning that the children are able to sit more comfortably on chairs.





Elm

In English, we have written our explanation texts about the digestive system. The children have recalled a lot of technical knowledge and factual information about digestion. It has been great to see them independently using the skills we have practised, such as relative clauses, list sentences and fronted adverbials.

We have had great fun in our reading lessons, where we have been reading 'The Jabberwocky' by Lewis Carroll. The children have used text marking to remind them when to pause, increase or decrease their volume and change their pace. They then worked in small groups to practice and perform the poem. We had some super actions, showing their understanding of the text!





In Maths, we have begun to learn about area. We have learnt that area is the amount of space inside a 2D object and have looked at comparing the area of shapes, and calculating the area of shapes by counting the squares.

We have spent some time this week discussing e-safety. We considered what technology we use both at home and school, and how to keep ourselves safe online. We talked about how we can help ourselves (by not sharing images, real names or personal information) and the people who can help us (parents, teachers, older family members). I was really impressed that most of the children could quote the Childline telephone number. We also looked at the CEOP website for information.

Oak

We have had another busy and productive week in Oak class! In Maths, the children have been working hard on adding and subtracting fractions. They have been using visual models to help them understand when common denominators are needed, and many have shown great perseverance when tackling trickier mixed-number calculations.

In English, the children have now written up their balanced arguments. We focused especially on organising ideas into a clear structure, using formal language, and making thoughtful edits to improve vocabulary, punctuation and overall clarity. It has been brilliant to see how confidently they can present both sides of an issue before reaching a well-reasoned conclusion.

In Geography, we explored the idea of scale on maps. The children discussed why scale is essential for representing real places accurately and enjoyed practising reading and applying different scales to understand distances and compare locations.

In RE, our learning took a musical turn! We talked about communication through music and why it plays such a significant role in worship across various religions. The children thought deeply about how words from sacred scriptures can be brought to life through melody and song, helping believers to express identity, emotion and devotion.

In Art, the class has completed their stunning final pieces. Building on our work on relief sculptures, the children created their own clay tiles, carefully carving, shaping and adding textures to produce detailed and effective designs. They should be very proud of their creativity and craftsmanship.





Birch Breakfast Club and Apple After School Club

We have had a busy week this week getting into the festive spirit.

On Monday we drew dinosaurs based on our book of the week 'Harry and the Dinosaurs make a Christmas wish'. There were all different sorts of dinosaurs including a T-Rex, a triceratops, and a velociraptor.





We then made gingerbread biscuits on Tuesday. They smelt and tasted delicious.



Wednesday was Lego Club. The children made lots of different figures including a crocodile house, a talent catastrophe, pencil launches and a baby jail.



In Creative Club on Thursday we painted snowmen. The snowmen had lovely scarves and hats to stop them getting too chilly.



Awards of the Week

The following children were particularly celebrated for their effort and achievement in class:

Jack and Teddy-George in Acorn Class; Ryker and Otis in Chestnut Class; Teddy and Theo in Beech Class; Ivy G and Mason in Elm Class; Emily and Jack in Oak Class.

Well done to all the children for their hard work this week!

Attendance

School attendance is at **93.3%** for the week.



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Below is the attendance for each class – the Government target for attendance across the country is **96%**.

Chestnut **91.8%**

Beech **94.5%**

Elm **96.3%**

Oak **89.0%**

Well done to **Elm Class** for having the best attendance this week!

Worship Focus of the Week

In this week's Picture News worship we focused on the following question.....



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