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Our first full week back of the new academic year has flown by.

The children have been learning in their new maths and English groups since Monday. Last academic year a number of year groups trialled the teaching of English and different ways of grouping the children to ensure that we get the best possible outcomes for the children. As a result of the successful trials, all year groups from Y1—Y6 now teach English as a subject rather than the different elements separately (reading, writing, handwriting, spelling and phonics), as school we feel that this change will support the children to make links between what they are reading and what they are writing—ultimately having a positive impact on their learning. There are some great texts being used across school to fully engage the children, including Paddington Bear, Street Child and Goodnight Mr Tom.

Our year six children and parents are now starting to think about their secondary choices for September 2019. It might seem a little bit early, but the choices have to be made by October 31st. As a school we would encourage our year six children and parents to visit the open days/evenings of the local secondary schools.

All our reception children are now in school and many adults have remarked on how settled they are. We are very much looking forward to their learning journey with us. We have already identified many talented individuals; we have some great writers, brilliant readers, budding musicians, future doctors and the play dough food looks very appetising! Our nursery children are still on a staggered intake, but they too are showing us their talents; artists, construction workers and definitely future pop stars with their singing!

We are delighted to announce our year six representatives for this academic year:

Head Girl—Leah Barnfield, who describes herself as honest, reliable, responsible, helpful and happy.

Head Boy—Vinnie Robbins, who describes himself as a role model and is really looking forward to showing people around the school.

Red House Captain—Oliver Goodenough, who describes himself as sensible and respectful, he has pledged to keep the school environment tidy.

Yellow House Captain—Rihanna Yunis, who describes herself as a confident public speaker who will be the voice of the students, and she wants to increase the range of sporting activities available over lunchtime.

Green House Captain—Kyle Keegan-Wilkes, who describes himself as good listener. Kyle has lots of goals that he would like to achieve including: ensuring that the classrooms are tidy, ensuring that everyone cares for equipment and making a good impression on visitors.

Blue House Captain—Brianna Partridge, who describes herself as mature and someone who will fight for what is right.

Well done to all of you, we have every faith in you and know that you are going to excel and be great representatives for our school.

STAR OF THE WEEK

HOLLY	Tegan-Jai Smith
HAZEL	Aeron Richards
HAWTHORN	Brooke Parker
APPLE	Lilly Niemczyk
OAK	Della Abrahams-Woods
BIRCH	Nathan Hunter
MAGNOLIA	Harley Duffield
ASH	Tiahanna Stephens

PINE	Dylan Kumar
PEAR	Ryan Pickering
MAPLE	Ameil Khaliq
CHERRY	Vinnie Robins



This week's letters

- Year 6 trip to Bewdley Museum
- Birch Class Forest School
- School Councillor Application Forms
- Eco Councillor Application Forms
- Year 5 Guitar After School Club

School Closure Days

School will be closed to the children on the following dates:

Monday 5th October - Training Day	There will be one more training day to be arranged.
Friday 21st December - Training Day	
Thursday 2nd May - Local Elections	
Monday 22nd July - Training Day	

ATTENDANCE:

OVERALL: 97.4%

KS1: Hawthorn 98.3%

KS2: Magnolia/Pear 100%