



# Weekly News

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It is hard to believe that we are already at the end of our first half term this academic year. Thank you to all of the children and staff for their hard work, and to the parents for their continued support.

On Monday the CEO of the Stour Vale MAT—Mr S Dunster—was interviewed by our head girl, head boy and house captains during assembly. They certainly had lots of questions and Mr Dunster was delighted to answer them. Thank you to the children who took part, they used a lot of their own time to prepare and were most professional in their approach. The same group of children also made a fantastic impression at the directors meeting last week where they acted as hosts for the evening.

On Tuesday year one enjoyed a camping experience on our bottom field. During the morning they had the opportunity to see what the inside of a tent was like and enjoy hot dogs and singing around the camp fire. Thank you to the year one staff for organising this experience and for providing Miss Grasby with her hot dog—it was delicious!

On Wednesday we had a DVD afternoon for those children who had remained in purple zone for the whole half term. It was fantastic to see so many children involved; we might have to look for a bigger venue as the staffroom was full of children who consistently show outstanding conduct and learning. After school, selected year 6 children represented the school in a cross country event at Newfield Park. They were a credit to the school and showed a great competitive spirit—well done to all the children involved and thank you to Miss Poole and Miss Walters who accompanied them.

On Thursday we were delighted to welcome the author Steve Cole into school - he spoke to the children in years 4, 5 and 6 about his inspiration for becoming an author and where he gets his ideas from. In the evening some children were lucky enough to see him again at Earls. Thank you to Miss Skidmore and Miss Thacker for supporting the children during the evening.

This week we have learnt about the festival of Diwali during assembly. Happy Diwali to those of you who have celebrated this week

Thank you to all of the parents who attended their child's parent/teacher consultation this week. This is an important element of the partnership between home and school and supports the children in their learning. Also, thank you to the nursery parents who have attended school this week to share a story with their child.

We wish you all a fabulous half term break and look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 31st October.

## REMINDER

If you have not done so already applications for secondary school need to be completed by **31st October 2017**

## REMINDER

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

Monday 30th October - Training Day

Tuesday 2nd January - Training Day



## *This week's letters*

*Individual Pupil Photographs Consent*

*Beech Class Show and Tell*

*Willow Class Show and Tell*

*Year 1 & 2 German Club*

*4, 5 & 6 Girls Football Club*

## ATTENDANCE:

OVERALL: 96.2%

KS1: Hawthorn 97.7%

KS2: Birch/Maple 98.5%

## Steve Cole Author Event

On Thursday Key Stage 2 children were extremely lucky to be visited by the famous author, Steve Cole. He gave a very funny and enthusiastic talk about being an author. He explained that his interest in reading began by reading Spiderman comics as a child. He used to dress up as him and even showed us some of his spider powers!



Later he told us all about his own stories and the inspiration, and history, behind them. Later, he chose a child from the audience and told an interactive story. The lucky audience member was Olivia from year 5, who had to wear a mask and pretend to be a poodle with super powers! He then dressed as a villain and asked the rest of the children what superpower she could use to defeat him.

Finally, Steve sang a very funny song that he wrote when he was 11 years old, before ending the assembly by answering our questions. Following the assembly, Steve stayed and signed copies of his new book.

Steve Cole is an extremely humorous man and amazingly good at telling stories! We all had great fun.

Imogen Butler



### Individual Awards

Congratulations to the following pupils for achieving their bronze award



Grace Drinkwater Eve Leyshon Nyal Ryan Fahmida Begum Saya Ari  
Erin Barron Jayveer Dhaliwal Lily George Faith Sentore  
Ignas Tamulevicius Kayden Smith Sophie Wheeler  
Della Abrahams-Woods Chrissie Firkins Zoha Ahmed Layla Khan  
Ubaid Gulamnabi Tiahanna Stephens Gurtej Singh Ryan Pickering  
Lilly Roberts Jacob Harding Meagan Clarke Safeena Uddin Sahil Khan  
Khadeeja Begum Alex Beddoes Faith Leyshon Faiza Begum  
Tia Johnson-Breen Zayd Afzal Elliott Jones Isabella Hughes-Rowlands  
Hassan Chaudhary Zaynab Chaudhary Nageeba Saleh Botirimi Onwudili  
Imogen Butler Amari Jackson Ruhan Miah Evie Beddoes Molly Hamer  
Jacob Dance Olivia Merryweather

### STAR OF THE WEEK

HOLLY	Mariam Ali-Mehmood
HAZEL	Neha Sammeta
HAWTHORN	Eva Geoffrey
APPLE	Solah Heyran
OAK	Oliver Gilbert
BIRCH	Liam Watchorn
MAGNOLIA	Faiza Begum
ASH	Ryan Pickering
PINE	Maryam Arshad
PEAR	Lakhtej Singh
MAPLE	Ishmail Islam
CHERRY	Evie Beddoes

### School Photographer

The photographer will be in school on Thursday 2nd November to take individual pupil photographs

