

World Book Day

World Book Day took place on 3rd March at Ide Hill. The overriding focus this year has been how we are ALL readers! The children have loved sharing their favourite books and characters, dressing up in amazing costumes and celebrating the rich variety of texts that we are lucky enough to enjoy. They have also been working out who the masked readers are in photos displayed around the school of the staff. This activity has been fun for the staff too but also encouraged lots of interesting discussion between children and year groups as they try to work out who is who! A big thank you parents, for all your efforts, to make it such a happy, fun day for the children!

Beech Class World Book Day 2022

We have been enjoying sharing our favourite book as well as being word detectives finding words with our sound of the week.



Our fabulous World Book Day costumes



Willows Class World Book Day

Willows class enjoyed book day, dressing up as a variety of different characters (from the traditional to the modern). They did a book taster where they sampled different authors and wrote down the ones they liked. They did a mini quiz. They drew book covers and created masks for their favourite characters. They also looked at different illustrators and had a go at drawing in their style.



Saplings Class

Saplings had a special visitor this week! Firefighter Price took time out of his busy schedule to come and talk to us about his job and how he helps other people. We tried on some firefighter helmets and had lots of questions to ask him. We learnt that firefighters don't rescue cats from trees very often anymore! A big thank you to Mr Price!



Port Lympe

Beech class enjoyed their trip to the zoo. We encountered magnificent giraffes and sturdy rhinos along with many more animals along the exciting and hilly safari.



As we walked through the zoo we saw two strong hungry male lions as well as bears, many species of monkey and much more.



Thank you to all the parent helpers for your support on this trip.



On Tuesday Elms class went to the zoo. First we got in our groups. After that we went to the safari truck and we saw hunting dogs and giraffes. Then we had lunch and played in the playground. After that we saw the dinosaurs and the gorillas swinging. Finally we went to the coach to come back to school.

By Lucas



Nature School

During Nature School Beech class have been discovering signs of the changing seasons. We were lucky enough to have a glorious sunny day and found flowers and buds ready to burst, the children were excited to find the bud of a beech tree and how soft it is inside.





Science Club

In science club the children take part in a range of investigations using everyday items. The investigations are hands on and the pupils are encouraged to predict what might happen and use science vocabulary. Science club aims **to encourage enquiring minds and nurture interests in science**. So far this year we have: tested what happens when different effervescent tablets are added to water; tested to see how many marbles a paper boat can hold and investigated how to make the longest bubble snake.

It currently runs during Tuesday lunchtime and is open to all KS2 children.



Ide Hill Awards

Saplings	<p>Yannick - It has been fantastic to see you taking your learning into your play and having your own ideas about how to record your magic maths! Well done!</p> <p>Zach - you should be very proud of how you have grown in confidence since September! It is lovely to see your big smile every morning! Keep it up!</p> <p>Violet - for your amazing reading! You are making links in your learning and this shows in how well you are reading. Well done!</p>
Elms	<p>Klaye - for your incredible independent work in maths this week. You have impressed us with your progress and need to believe that you can do it without needing any help!</p> <p>Lucas - for always having a positive attitude towards your work and always working as hard as you can. You always take your time to present your work neatly and listen to feedback given.</p> <p>Phoebe - for your positive attitude towards everything that you do. We are impressed with the way you have been tackling your maths recently as you always try your very best.</p>
Beech	<p>Harry - for amazing research during geography, using your map knowledge to find capital cities.</p> <p>George - for fabulous presentation and perseverance with your narrative writing.</p>
Willows	<p>Annabelle - for her great learning in Maths and for using her learning to help her peers.</p> <p>Toby - for his excellent attitude towards all his learning. He shows motivation, enthusiasm and perseverance in all he does.</p>

Hazel	<p>Violet - for her amazing effort in writing this week. I am super proud of you!</p> <p>Emma - for always working hard and showing resilience in all her learning.</p>
Ash	<p>Luke - for his careful attention to detail when pen drawing an Ancient Egyptian mask.</p> <p>James - for his careful attention to detail when pen drawing an Ancient Egyptian mask.</p> <p>Grace - for her careful attention to detail when pen drawing an Ancient Egyptian mask.</p> <p>Ivie -for her lovely colour blending in art.</p> <p>Phoebe - for her thoughts on why the Israelites might need the Ten Commandments.</p> <p>Lucy - for super problem-solving using perimeter in maths.</p>
Oaks	<p>Alex - for her incredible story of Hercules defeating the hydra.</p> <p>Frankie - for his improved attitude to all of his learning this week.</p>



Ewan D
Elliott R
Phoebe I
Ella L

Zachary F
Alice H
Finley M