

Term 1 Week 5 - 4th October 2021

Quote of the week:

"You should first follow the plough if you want to dance the harvest jig."

Harvest Collection

We have agreed to collect non-perishable foods as part of our autumn collection for our local food bank. Each phase has been asked to bring in slightly different things which we will be taking to St. Leonard's on 21st October for our Harvest Thanksgiving Service from 11am. Thank you in advance for your generosity as we aim to support those in need as the colder temperatures set in.

- Elm & Hazel Classes – tinned soups
- Willow & Maple Classes – tinned vegetables
- Ash & Cherry Classes – tinned meats
- Oak & Elder Classes – long-life milk & fruit cordials



Remembrance



We will be making class wreaths of remembrance in school after half term and collective worship on Thursday 11th November will focus on all those who have lost their lives as a result of war and conflict. We will be encouraging school representatives to join us on Sunday 14th November for the remembrance march and service at St. Leonard's.

Our thanks to Rev. Begley who will be leading collective worship here at Southminster Church of England Primary School on Tuesdays from after half term starting Tuesday 2nd November.

Clubs & Activities

Thanks for your patience however, we are delighted to report that after school clubs and activities will start next week (more details to follow). Thanks in advance to our wonderful staffing team for their dedication and creativity.

London Marathon

Congratulations to Mrs Griffiths who successfully completed the London Marathon on Sunday! Our children will be taking part in the official Mini London Marathon. Rather than doing 26.2 miles each child will be covering 2.6 miles. This can be walked or run around the field, numerous laps. Classes will take part on their PE day during the week commencing **Monday 18th October 2021** (more details to follow).



The London Marathon is a charity event. Their main charity this year is Macmillan however we have chosen to support Great Ormond Street Hospital (GOSH). Money can be donated through the Virgin Money Giving app. Please see the link below or scan the QR code straight from your phone or mobile device.

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/SouthminsterPrimary>

Attendance: Week ending 30.09.2021	
Elm – Reception	93%
Hazel – Year 1 & Reception	91%
Willow – Year 1&2	91%
Maple – Year 1&2	99%
Ash – Year 3&4	90%
Cherry – Year 3&4	93%
Elder – Year 5&6	85%
Oak – Year 5&6	96%
Whole School	92%

Key dates for your diaries:

- 13th-21st October tours of Plume Academy Mill Road Campus available
- 20th October – deadline for Harvest Collection
- 21st October Harvest Thanksgiving Service at St Leonard’s
- 6th October Fire safety Assembly
- 25th – 29th October Half Term Break
- 1st November Staff Training Day
- 14th November Remembrance Sunday
- 8th December Pantomime Trip
- 17th December Last day of Term 1

Stars of the Week

Congratulations to everyone who has been chosen for shining in the past week. Mr Bragg announced winners on Thursday 30th September as follows:



Class	Friday 17 th September	
Elm	William	Layla
Hazel	Joshua	George
Willow	Peggie	Tyler
Maple	Ben	Marlee
Ash	Siqiu	Beau
Cherry	Willow	Roma
Elder	Maximus	Macie
Oak	Amy	Isabelle
The Base	Kayden	Austin

House Points **St. Mark 147** **St. Matthew 158** **St. Luke 172** **St. John 168**

Congratulations to St. Luke’s House, who are this week’s winners! Below is the chart to show current standings for the term so far. There is still time for the other teams to catch up. Remember, every time that you show respect, good manners and courtesy to others, you are making Southminster Church of England Primary School stronger and a happier place for us all!

