



Audlem St. James' C of E Primary School

'Let your light shine' Matthew 5:16



25th November 2022

This week has been another busy week at Audlem. We had the creativity of our young bakers at the beginning of the week with some exceptional baking skills be demonstrated by all children within the school. This was a great success, and I would like to personally thank all children and families for the array of cakes that were baked. The winners were: Reception – Nancy Vernon with chocolate brownies; Y1 – Erin Sanderson with shortbread cookies; Y2 – Chloe Barnett with panda jungle cake; Y3 – Fletcher Cronshey with Christmas cakes; Y4 – Maisie Baker – Oreo brownie; Y5 – Cyrus McDonald with lemon curd and blueberry loaf cake; Emily Bennion with Grinch rainbow cake.

We have also been preparing for the Big Switch On with KS2 children and I know that they will be 'Shining brightly' tonight when we bring Christmas to the Audlem Community. The KS2 team have also been preparing for the indoor athletics at Brine Leas which will also showcase the children's skills.

Thought of the Week



Praise Book Children this week

Mrs Burgess and Mrs Maughan's class: Etta Evans

Mrs Hayward and Mrs Kemp's class: Niamh Watson

Mrs Richardson and Mrs Smith class: Leah Hallatt

Mr Davies' class: Ellie Greaves

Miss Morris' class: Lily Satchithananda

Mr Blenkiron's class: Barney Stockton

Mrs Bird's class: Tobias Dinsdale

5Rs:

As a school we are concentrating on the 5 'R's – **resilience, reflectiveness, responsibility, resourcefulness and readiness to learn.** These are the children who have shown such qualities this week:

Resilience: Tallulah Woods, Alice Peake

Reflectiveness: Louie Elliott

Responsibility: Cian Murphy, Lucy Rogers, Billy Cornes

Readiness to Learn: James Pritchard





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School

Amethyst class: In Amethyst Class this week, we finished reading *The Three Little Pigs* by Mara Alperin. We found the missing pigs and used positional language, played bingo with the red 'tricky' words and made a plan to trap the wolf. In maths, we explored composition by focusing on the concept of 'wholes' and 'parts' and investigated human bodies/animal bodies and familiar toys. On Monday, we also had fun watching the judging of the Great Audlem Bake off competition.

Sapphire class: This week in Sapphire class we have been busy continuing with our versions of the story *Lost and Found*. We are very excited to read each other's finished stories at the end of the week. In maths, we are looking at fact families and how to use part/whole models to complete subtraction sentences. In science we have used the rainy weather to help us answer the question "how big is a raindrop?". We have also practised our Christmas performance and learned what our parts are. We are so excited to show you.

Pearl class: We started off the week with some beautiful baking for The Great Audlem Bake Off - well done to everyone in Pearl Class who took part. We have continued to read *The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark* and we have experimented with language, making our own verses of a poem. In D&T we have designed our own moving Christmas cards using either a slider or lever mechanism. In Geography, we have identified the four countries of the United Kingdom and we have named to capital cities. In Maths, we are developing our understanding of addition and recalling number facts quickly. We have also been busy practising for our Christmas performance - we can't wait to show you!

Amber class: This week, Amber Class have been busy after their weekend of baking! We have managed to merge a PE lesson with the Football World Cup, had a bonus Forest Schools session and continued with our History by looking at chronology. In English we have looked at verbs and synonyms and in maths we have started to consider how we can use the column method to subtract. We have also had a very interesting discussion about how to solve the problem of homelessness in our Philosophy for Children session.

Emerald class: This week, Emerald Class have explored subordinating conjunctions and how they can be used to add extra detail to their sentences. They described the inside of the circus tent using adjectives and added extra detail using subordinating conjunctions. In maths, the children used inverse operations to check their calculations and practised estimating their answers using rounding skills. The children investigated conductivity using an energy ball in Science and made paper doves to symbolise The Holy Spirit in RE. We finished off some work on primary and secondary sources in History and talked about boundaries and asking for permission in PSHE. The class loved participating in the first ever Audlem Bake Off!

Ruby class: This week Ruby Class have been focusing on factors and Prime numbers in maths. They have learned a rap about prime numbers, and have used their knowledge to create beautiful patterns. In English, we have been looking at figurative language, specifically personification, and the children have been writing sentences describing inanimate objects as if they are alive/have minds. In Science, the children have been exploring time zones around the world by researching different cities across the globe. In RE, we have been looking at the biblical description of angels and comparing these to traditional artistic depictions and our own preconceived ideas. The children then had a go at drawing an archangel based on a description in the book of Daniel.

Diamond class: Year 6 have had a very busy week preparing for their class assembly. They have been learning lines from *Macbeth* to perform to their families, as well as sharing their artwork and all their learning from this term. They have also had their first 'Buddy Reading' session with Reception Class which all children thoroughly





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enjoyed. The children have also been building shelters in Forest Schools and learning how to keep themselves dry and warm. In RE, the class have been learning more about Hinduism and the four main aims of a Hindu's life.



Everyone!

You are all amazing shining stars.

Friends of Audlem School – Christmas Fair and Raffle Tickets

Thank you for your splendid response to our request for Tombola bottles today. These are presently lined up on several tables in the hall. As you know, our Christmas Fair is next Friday, 2nd December. 2 books of raffle tickets per child with the information you need have been sent home in bags today.

Christmas Lunch – Friday 9th December

We have had an excellent response to our invitation and the whole school is looking forward to our meal. If you have not yet ordered for your child, please let us know as soon as possible if they would like to stay. An email letting us know, with an indication if your child wishes to have the vegetarian option of a Quorn fillet, will be quite sufficient if you have mislaid the form. **Don't forget that children are encouraged to wear Christmas jumpers all day on Friday 9th.**

Last chance - "Inside the Igloo" – TOMORROW Saturday 26 November –in the school hall – 2.00pm



TAVA (Travelling Artists Visiting Audlem) and the Hawk Dance Theatre company would like to invite you to join us for an exciting, interactive family performance of "Inside the Igloo"! which will include projection, dance and storytelling, for children 3+ and their grownups.

Three little penguins, Pixel, Crash and Click are stuck inside their igloo. As the storm rages outside, they splash, skid and dance their way through the day, discovering fun and adventure hiding around every corner!

Tickets £5 each (for all ages). To book, please email tava325@gmail.com or call 01270811250.

Finally

It is important that our newsletter and all other forms of communication we send out to parents and carers, give you a clear and detailed picture of our work in school, so that you are kept up to date with events in school and our community. If you have any ideas, comments or suggestions about the content of newsletters please get in touch with me.

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