



This month's value is Hope

- The feeling that what is wanted can be had or that events will turn out for the best.
- A positive feeling of expectation and the desire for something to happen.
- Hope is believing that good things will happen

The value hope is about much more than just wishing as hard as we can that things will be different. It is about believing that the world can be better and being prepared to do something!

In school we will be concentrating on our hopes and wishes for the New Year. Children will be asked to think about a number of questions which might include.

What is hope?

What would life be like without hope?

What are your hopes?

Do we always get what we hope for?

Children will be given the opportunity to reflect on how they can live this value. In particular, we will think about how our choices and actions can affect the success of accomplishing what we have hoped for.

At home you could talk about your New Year resolutions and what you hope 2014 will bring for you. You may like to discuss the steps you are going to take to help you reach your goals. Talking about topical news stories will help your child understand the different challenges faced by others in our local area and around the world. You could talk about the importance of having hope for others.

Thought for the month: 'Hope is being able to see that there is light despite all the darkness.' Desmond Tutu.

Attendance

Congratulations to Birch class for the best attendance in November. The top three classes for attendance in November, together with their percentages, were:

Birch	97.89%
Chestnut	96.89%
Willow	95.98%

Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas Jumper Day will be on **Wednesday 13th December** this year. If they would like to take part, please send your child into school wearing their school uniform and replace their jumper/cardigan with a Christmas jumper. If your child does not want to wear a Christmas jumper then they should come into school wearing full school uniform. Many thanks.

Team Points

Pix – Red	1051
Hiz – Blue	1033
Ivel – Green	864
Purwell – Yellow	852

Eco council

The Eco councillors would like to remind you that we are still collecting Recycled items that are listed below. Please can you put them in the box that is at the front of our school. You can also place items in the recycling box in the Resource centre.

We are currently collecting:

- Pens, felt tips, highlighters, markers, mechanical pencils (though NOT wooden pencils), and correction tape and fluid pots
- Any brand of baby food pouches and caps
- Ella's Kitchen snack wrappers or porridge pouches
- Multipack biscuit wrappers or non-savoury biscuits (such as Digestives or Hobnobs), including individual wrappers (though NOT crisp or savoury biscuit wrappers)
- Plastic bottle trigger heads and pumps used in cleaning sprays
- Plastic air fresheners, plastic electronic (i.e. plug in) air fresheners, and plastic air freshener cartridges (including plastic car air freshener products)
- Flexible wipe packaging used for home cleaning products or personal care and beauty products (though NOT baby wipes)
- Pumps, trigger sprays, and caps from home cleaning products and personal care and beauty products (though NOT the bottles themselves)
- Personal care and beauty product plastic tubes
- Hair colourant kits (apart from rigid plastic bottles and cardboard packaging)
- Plastic roll-on deodorants (but not aerosol cans)



Golden Book

Children are nominated by Teaching Assistants and Teachers for a Head Teacher's award which is entered in the Golden Book. The award can be for living one of our Values or special achievement. Sporting awards/achievements gained through a regular commitment to a club or group are also celebrated.

Ash	Harriet Thomas	for increased confidence and a willingness to try new activities.
Oak	Oakley Roberts	for challenging himself and showing enthusiasm in lessons.
Beech	Jack Auburn	for being a 'concentrating carpenter' and working hard in maths and english.
Elm	Imogen Cooper	for living her golden rules on a daily basis.
Maple	Amelie Chantrell	for making a great effort with her independent tasks.
Willow	Jack Keane	for always living his golden rules of readiness, respect and responsibility.
Chestnut	Gyan Mann	for having a growth mindset attitude in all subjects - especially maths.
Sycamore	Ella Greaney	for consistently living her values and putting herself in the 'challenge zone'.
Hazel	Jack Anderson	for moving up a level in reading and progressing really well in phonics.
Birch	Callum Wheeler	for improved effort and commitment in his learning.

Celebration Assembly

Football

Cydney Page	Girl of the Game – Stotfold Juniors
Aayan Rahman	Man of the Match – Stotfold Juniors

Swimming

Evie Bayfield	50 Metres
Faith Allen	100 Metres & Stage 6

Brownies

Emily Powell	Enrolment into Brownies
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Performing Arts

Harrison Harvey	Harrison has passed his audition at Emil Dale Performing Arts and has a place at their Musical Theatre School.
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Movie Night & Bags 2 School

Our first movie night was a great success, don't forget to buy your tickets for our next one on Thursday 7th December 5-7pm, the film will be Inside Out along with popcorn and squash. Tickets available through ParentMail shop.

Just a kind reminder that our collection for bags 2 school is Tuesday 5th first thing in the morning, so all bags need to be given into the school by the end of day on Monday 4th December.

Book Club

The Book Club will be in the Library on Wednesday lunchtimes as follows:

6 th December	Chestnut
13 th December	Sycamore

Brand new books are available to purchase at half price. Most are priced between £2 and £4. All proceeds go towards new books for the school.

If you are happy for your child to choose a book please send this money in a named envelope on the day. Please note that you are under no obligation to buy.

Pupil Number Consultations

If you would like to comment regarding this consultation the cut off to do so is Thursday 7th December. Please [click here](#) for more information.

Consultation on the BEST Admissions policy Sept 19

There is a six week consultation on proposed changes to the admissions policy which started on Thursday 9th November and will close on 21st December. Further details can be accessed on our website [here](#)