



## Diary Dates

### INSET Days

1.9.23, 4.9.23, 27.3.24,  
28.3.24, 24.5.24

### Holidays 2023-2024

**New/Changed**

Open Close

### Autumn Term 2023

Tue 5.9.23 Fri 20.10.23  
Mon 30.10.23 Tue 19.12.23

### Spring 2024

Thu 4.1.24 Fri 9.2.24  
Mon 19.2.24 Tue 26.3.24

### Summer 2024

Mon 15.4.24 Thu 24.4.24  
Mon 3.6.24 Tue 23.7.24

### Diary Dates

**Fri 24.11.23** Celebration  
assembly 8.45am

**Fri 24.11.23** Forest school  
rangers S'mores and hot  
chocolate sale 3.15pm

**Mon 11.12.23** KS1 Nativity  
Dress rehearsal for school

**Tue 12.12.23** KS1 Nativity  
for parents 2.15-3.15pm

**Wed 13.12.23** KS1 Nativity  
for parents 2.15-3.15pm

**Thu 14.12.23** EYFS  
Christmas concert for  
parents 9.30am

**Fri 15.12.23** Celebration  
assembly 8.45am

**Tue 19.12.23** Christmas  
Service 12.45-1.30pm

**Tue 19.12.23** School  
finishes at 1.30pm

**Thu 4.1.24** School opens

**Fri 26.1.24** Celebration  
assembly

## Words from the Woods!

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

'From small beginnings come great things'

The parable of The Mustard Seed. Matthew 13: 31-32

Dear parents,

It is that time of year where the halls are filled with the sound of children singing! KS1 are preparing for their nativity and EYFS are learning songs ready for their Christmas concert for parents. Dates and times can be found on the left.

Below is some important information that you should read carefully. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher or Mrs Coyle via emailing [office@cadmoreendschool.org](mailto:office@cadmoreendschool.org)

### Morning Drop off

Now that the children have settled, we will need to reduce the number of parents that enter the school premises during drop off. We will ensure that staff open promptly at 8.35am and close at 8.45am.

Please ensure that you have left the external grounds before this time.

Parents of KS1 and KS2 children are requested not to enter the building and to leave any messages with the member of staff who is outside KS1/KS2 entrance. Parents of EYFS children will need to arrive promptly at 8.35am to allow plenty of time to drop off and leave. If you find that you have not left the site by 8.45am, please go to the KS1/KS2 entrance and wait for a member of staff who will escort you out of the premises through the building. Please **do not enter** the building unless you are accompanied by a member of staff. If you arrive after 8.45am, please go to reception and sign your child in. Please note that late marks will affect your child's overall attendance figures and may result in The Buckinghamshire Attendance Team becoming involved.

### After School Pick Up

We still have a large number of pupils being picked up by adults who are not on the collection approved list; causing unnecessary admin time trying to make contact with the parents for approval. Please can you ensure that the

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school office has an up to date contact list of adults who are authorised to collect. If your child is to be collected by an adult that is not on the list, an email must be sent to [office@cadmoreendschool.org](mailto:office@cadmoreendschool.org) a minimum of 24 hours prior to collection. Please note that children in reception collected by anyone other than the regular adult, will need to use the password that has been set up.

### **Breakfast and Afterschool Club**

To help with staffing and to reduce admin time, please ensure that if you regularly use breakfast and/or after school club, that you book and pay in advance using ParentPay. We recognise that there are emergencies where you may need to use the service at the last minute. That is OK as the school will debit your ParentPay account.

### **School lunches**

As with Breakfast and After School club, if your child regularly has a school lunch, you **MUST** book via ParentPay. We are finding that Mrs Coyle is spending a large amount of time chasing parents (especially at the start of term) who have sent their child in without a lunch but have not ordered! Moving forwards, if you have not booked and your child has not brought a packed lunch, you will be contacted and asked to bring a lunch in.

### **School Uniform and Forest School Kits**

We have noticed that the standard of uniform is starting to slip – in particularly with regards to footwear. All children in KS1 and KS2 **MUST** wear black school shoes. Girls must wear a black or grey skirt or trousers. Leggings are not permitted unless you have prior consent from the headteacher. Hair must be tied back (to avoid unwanted visitors) and hair accessories must be in keeping with school colours.

Now that the weather is getting cold and wet, pupils must have a full and named Forest School kit that includes waterproof overalls, warm clothes and wellington boots.

Thank you for reading this and supporting us with the above matters.

### **Staff changes**

As you may be aware, Mr Field is currently an ECT (Early Career Teacher) who is now completing his second year of his induction training. During his time at Cadmore, he has gained a wealth of experience of what small schools have to offer.

To continue to develop and broaden Mr Field's experience in teaching and subject leadership, he will be leaving Cadmore at Christmas to join a two-form entry school in the Chilterns and thus gain experience working in a larger school. He will leave with our very best wishes for his future career.

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To ensure that the children benefit from the change, we have successfully secured a new member of staff, already familiar with the children at Cadmore, having worked here in a supply capacity, for the past 7 years.

Mr Jason Stone will be joining the team after Christmas; however, we have made the strategic decision for the benefit of pupil wellbeing and teacher skill set, that Mr Stone will take over Class 4. The children are already familiar with Mr Stone – having taught the class on many occasions.

Mr Thorpe will take on Class 3. Mr Thorpe is a very experienced year 3/4 teacher and the children are already familiar with him. However, to ensure a smooth transition, opportunities for Mr Thorpe to spend time with Class 3 prior to Christmas, will be provided.

We are still in the process of recruiting a replacement for Mrs Coyle and Mrs Leigh who will be leaving us at Christmas. We hope to be interviewing in the next couple of weeks. As soon as we have successfully recruited, I will let you know.

## News From The Classrooms!

### News from Class 1

As part of our learning in Class 1 this half term we have cooked chapatis and made salt dough Diva lamps for Diwali to explore how different festivals are celebrated. We had to use a new skill - kneading - when preparing the dough for the chapatis!

The children have been discovering lots of new vocabulary through their learning for example 'kneading' so we have made a WOW word pot which the children love joining in with, so that they can show off their new-found knowledge and understanding of the words.

The children also took part in Nursery Rhyme week where they explored a different nursery rhyme each day. One of the activities was to make their own clocks to use when singing Hickory Dickory Dock! As the winter months draw in and the evenings become darker we have been talking about what we can do to stay safe around roads. With the help of Super Cat Class 1 learnt a rap to help them remember the 4 important points, STOP, LOOK, LISTEN and THINK! Ask the children to show you their rap and actions!



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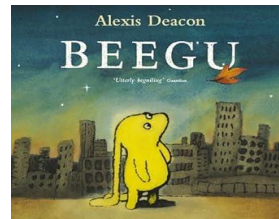




## News from Class 2

### English

Exciting things have been happening in Class 2. A Spaceship crashed in our outside area and we have been investigating where it came from. We think an alien might be living in our forest and will need help to get back home.



Our class book is 'Beegu.' Beegu is a small yellow alien who is lost and wants to find her way home.



We found these things in the Forest they might be part of the Spaceship.

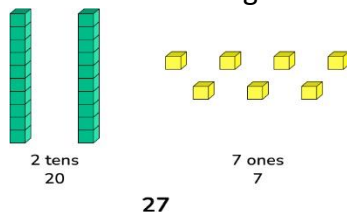


This week in Forest school, we found this strange object. We think it might be an alien egg!

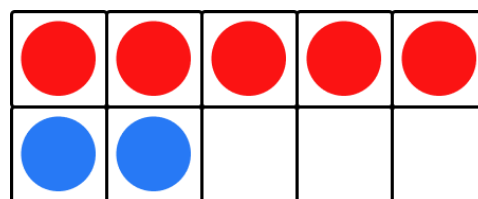
In maths, we have been using this equipment to help us solve maths problems.

Year 1 have been adding, subtracting and finding missing numbers.

Year 2 have finding out about Place Value and how to exchange.



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Our Science Topic has been about Scientists and Inventors and we have found out about: Ole Kirk Kristiansen who invented Lego.

Mae Jemison went into orbit aboard the Space Shuttle Endeavour in 1992 and became the first African American woman in space.

George Mottershead OBE the founder of Chester Zoo.

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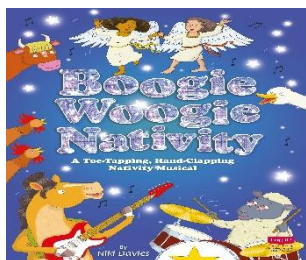
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We are super excited about our 'Boogie Woogie' Nativity. We have been working hard learning our lines and the songs. We hope you will Boogie on down and join us. Thank you for your continued support. Mrs Baird and the Class 2 team.

### News from Class 3

In English we are looking at the Singing Ringing Tree. We are currently working on writing a diary entry as either the prince or princess in our story! The children are working hard on writing in paragraphs and using emotive language as well as ensuring to stay in the past tense and in first person.

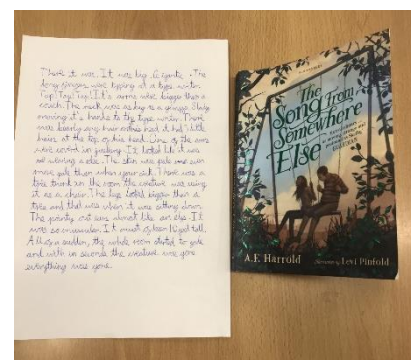
In Maths, it is all about multiplication! The Year 4s are focusing on their 3s, 6s, 9s, 11s, 12s and the Year 3s are looking at arrays and 2s, 3s, 4s, 5s, 8s.

In Science we have been looking at electricity and focusing on circuits using the computers to build and compare them. In History we have started studying the Romans - why they invaded Britain and the impact it had.



### News from Class 4

This term Class 4 have been reading our new book, "A Song from Somewhere Else". The class have been really enjoying it and have produced some superb writing based on it. So far, we have written persuasive letters encouraging the main character Frank to go down some stairs to investigate a strange sound and a character description of the Troll she found! We are looking forward to finishing the book and finding out what happens to Frank, the Troll and her talking cat, Quin!



As always, have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,  
Mrs Groom  
Headteacher

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## Celebration Assembly

Class	Award	Name	Reason
1	Star of the Week	Ezra	For remembering all the WOW word meanings, and for doing lots of good tidying up this week!
	Science		N/A
	Maths	Scarlett	For a great understanding of part and whole problems!
	Writer	Anja	For being an enthusiastic writer and using her Phonics skills independently!
	Values	Mike	For showing all values especially faith and trying really hard and helping people!
Class	Award	Name	Reason
2	Star of the Week	David	For using your phonics sounds when doing writing in your English work. Keep it up David!
	Science	Sophie	For using her senses during our investigations.
	Maths	Declan	For trying hard with lots of tricky maths recently.
	Writer	Elliott	
	Values	Tony	For showing our values and helping your friends during lessons!
Class	Award	Name	Reason
3	Star of the Week	Thea-Grace	For such amazing work.
	Science	Chloe	For being so enthusiastic in science.
	Maths	Lukas	For working hard on his maths.
	Writer	Logan	For some excellent diary writing.
	Values	Nevay	For being a comforting and kind friend.
Class	Award	Name	Reason
4	Star of the Week	Isabel	For always trying her hardest and doing her best!
	Science	John	For working well in a team whilst carrying out scientific investigative work.
	Maths	Amelia	For working hard and making amazing progress!
	Writer	Mimi	For a superb character description!
	Values	Shehani	For always being kind and generous and willing to help out someone in need.
	Award	Name	Reason
	Forest School Award	Celina class 1	Not giving up trying to move some large branches

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