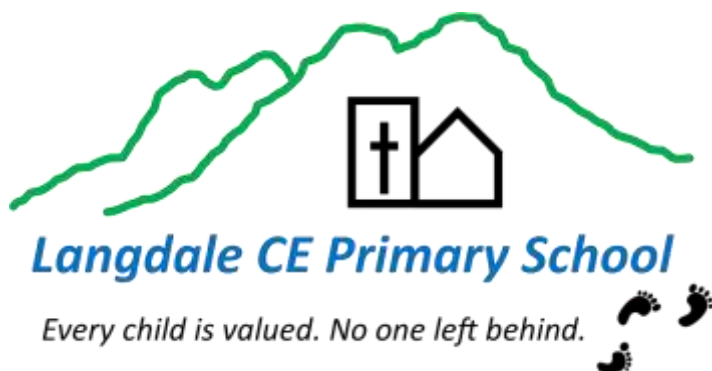




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Dear Parents and Carers,

Message from The Lakes Players

The Lakes Players are thrilled to present a magical pantomime adventure with this season's fun-filled production of Dick Whittington – taking place at The Royalty Cinema, Bowness-On-Windermere from Wednesday 21st January to Sunday 25th January 2026.

Join Dick and his trusty Kitty as they set off on a journey from London to far-off lands in search of fame and fortune. It's a story of true friendship, adventure, and never giving up on your dreams!

We can't wait to welcome you to our new home at The Royalty Theatre! Reserve your tickets by visiting the following link: <https://www.lakesplayers.co.uk/>

Celebrations

Well done to all of the winners of this week's awards:

Class awards:

Alice – For lovely caring and sharing with all her friends in Little Oak.

Kira – For her dedication to her learning, both at home and at school.

Annabelle – For listening to advice and beginning to refine her written work.

Reading:

Ellie – For her consistent home reading and super quiz scores.

Writing:

Archie – For wonderful perseverance when writing during phonics.

Maths:

Olive – For her recall and application of prior learning, making fantastic links.



Oak



Nursery and Reception have had a big week of storytelling, writing and adventure in preparation for The Bird Garden Birdwatch. Using the book 'Are You My Mother' as a springboard, they have explored eggs, chicks and adult birds, noting the differences as they grow. In our forest session, they constructed bird hides using the plentiful natural resources around the woodland. After a while, they recognised that

whilst they do need to be concealed, they also need to be able to see out! They are super excited to use these for their official birdwatch next week when we will be using all of our learning of number to count them up! Alongside this, the children have also enjoyed their PE sessions, joining the Year 1 and 2 children in their dance learning. They assumed the role of falling leaves, melting snowmen and their favourite animals before blending their moves to form a lovely, nature-based routine.



This week in KS1, the children have been busy! In Maths, they have returned to the world of addition and subtraction – this time working with numbers up to 100. In English, year 1 and 2 have been exploring leaflets and have even created our own, all about the people who help us in our community, from firefighters and vets to litter pickers and other everyday heroes. The children have worked hard and shown great enthusiasm!

Maple



Maple have continued with their study of the animation 'The Saga of Biorn' this week, creating superb storyboards to showcase the main events. Next week, they will focus on describing the appearance and personality traits of Biorn before starting their story narratives.

In maths, year 3 and 4 have been exploring scaling and developing their understanding of how this can help with multiplication. Year 5 and 6 have revisited short division before getting to grips with the formal written method of long division – something that looks terrifying but all professed to be 'easy' by the end of the week!

In PE, Maple have enjoyed getting to grips with orienteering again, spending time revisiting the key symbols on a map before navigating their way around a school based course.

In DT, the children have designed their Viking longboats and have picked edible materials to support with the making of their 3D models. A tasty discussion then followed on the best, and most effective, edible adhesives.



Forthcoming Events

(Recently added or changed calendar events will be highlighted in **red** each week)

Friday 16 th January	Big Schools' Bird Watch EYFS-Year 6 various Activities
Friday 23 rd January	Themed lunch – 'International Day of Education – food that helps the brain'
Friday 23rd January – 2-3pm	EYFS Stay and Play – Big Garden Bird Watch
Monday 26th January – 5pm	FOLS initial meeting – Langdale School
Monday 2 nd – Friday 6 th February	National Storytelling Week EYFS - Rhyme, rhythm and wriggles' singalong and story time videos with poet Simon Mole and musician Gecko Year 1/2 - Building stories through sound with Annmarie Anang Years 3-6 - Exploring stories through rap & rhythm with Alim Kamara
Tuesday 3 rd February	Y5/6 Live Lesson on Polar Regions, hosted by WWF and joined by Steve Backshall.
Monday 9 th February	Chinese New Year Curriculum Day – Including themed lunch
Tuesday 10th February	Maple Manjushri Kadampa Meditation Centre Ulverston
Wednesday 11th February – 2-3pm	EYFS Stay and Play – Valentine's theme
Friday 13 th February	Maple Young Voices concert Manchester
<i>Half term – Monday 16th – Friday 20th February</i>	
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day and themed lunch
Monday 9 th – Wednesday 11 th March	Maple residential Edinburgh
Thursday 12th March	Oak – The Big Farming Quest workshop
Friday 13th March	Maple – The Big Farming Quest workshop
Tuesday 24th March – am	Maple Glow Dodgeball event Lakes School
Wednesday 25 th March - pm	Maple hockey tournament Lakes School
<i>Easter break – Monday 30th March – Friday 10th April</i>	

* Please note - If you do not wish your child/ren to take part in any of the visits outlined above, please notify the school office and provision will be put into place in school.

Wishing you all a lovely festive break.

The Langdale Staff Team