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LIVE assembly with Robert Swan OBE!

The children were very lucky this morning to join a special virtual assembly with famous explorer Robert Swan OBE. This was LIVE from Antarctica and broadcast to over 5000 schools Worldwide. Robert is the first man to walk to both the North and the South poles and has been exploring for over 40 years. He spoke to the children about conservation and the importance of looking after the planet. The children were fascinated!

A recording of the session can be found here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H3Fw7OAt2Ss>



AuDHD Award

We are very proud to reveal that we are one of only 14 schools across the country who achieved the 'AuDHD Friendly School Award' from Neurodiversity Training UK. Ms Greasley went to a special ceremony at Sheffield Town Hall to receive this prestigious award. Well done to everyone involved!



Workshop surveys

Thank you to the parents who have completed the survey about parental support workshops from Sheffield Parent Hub (with / without SEND focus). I am hoping to get these in the diary soon so please do spend 2 minutes filling it in if you would like to share your thoughts / ideas:

[Parenting Support – Fill in form](#)

Trust CFO job

Are you a skilled leader in finance? Are you looking for an exciting new challenge? Do you want to work in a collaborative and supportive environment, making a meaningful contribution to the education of our children? Peak Edge Trust are currently looking for a new CFO (Chief Financial Officer). Go to <https://teaching-vacancies.service.gov.uk/.../chief...> for more information.

Christmas events

- Thank you to all who have ordered tickets for our 3 Christmas performances this week and next: **EYFS (Wed 10th Dec, 10am); KS1 (Wed 17th Dec, 2pm) and KS2 (Mon 15th Dec, 2pm & 6pm)**. If you haven't already received your tickets, these will be sent out soon. We are also working on requests for additional tickets and hope to have those with you soon... For this reason, if you would like to attend but haven't ordered any yet, please do not delay!
- It is **Christmas Jumper Day** for Save the Children on Thursday 11th December. Children can wear their Christmassy clothes for school in exchange for a small donation (suggested £1 or £2).
- Next Wednesday is our school **Christmas dinner** (chicken rather than turkey) and Thursday is our (school) **party day**. Vegetarian options are available for both but there are no other options – so please send your child with a packed lunch if they do not want what is on offer!

Mr Gaughan

Nurturing confidence, nurturing potential, nurturing success.



Celebrating Achievement



Well done to the following children:

- ★ **Bronze:** Tommy (Rowan); Savannah, Caleb F, Josh F (Sycamore); D'low (Oak)
- ★ **Silver:** Violet (Ash); George, Fearne, Thomas P (Rowan); Aaron, Oscar B (Oak)
- ★ **Gold:** Oscar B (Ash); Henry J, Harvey, Jude, Sienna B (Willow); Ross (Oak)
- ★ **Nursery Stars of the Week:** Tabitha & Rickyle (Seedlings); Lucas & Theo (Saplings)
- ★ **Attendance winners:** Attendance was a disappointing 92.9% overall last week. However, Willow got 100% and Rowan got 97.6%.
- ★ **House Point winners:** Oceania won for the second week in a row.
- ★ Well done to Holly B - who was involved in Ice Sheffield's Christmas Show: 'Defying Gravity on Ice' on Friday / Saturday. We are very proud of you Holly!



This week's birthdays:

Macie (7), Ameera (11), Holly (9), Anastasiia (6)

This week's 'School Standard' is:
Being supportive

What's Happening?

Little Seedlings are doing helicopter stories.

Saplings are looking at 3d shapes.

Ash have been learning what it is to be a good friend.

Willow have been learning what Christians believe God is like; taking lessons from 'Jonah & the Whale'

KS1 children in The Learning Zone are writing a recount about making baskets

Rowan have been learning about how differences make us special.

Sycamore have been practising put inverted commas in speech.

Oak are learning about the Viking attack on Lindisfarne in 793AD.

Meanwhile, we have been very fortunate to be joined by Miss Ephgrave & Miss Soden these past two weeks. They are medical students at Sheffield University and will be with us up until Christmas as part of their community placements.

