

GRAYSHOTT CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

'Acorns to Mighty Oaks'

Newsletter 13 – Friday 5th December 2025



Have you liked and shared our Facebook page?



LOVE

OUR SCHOOL VALUES ARE:

COURAGE

RESPECT

JOY

NEW DATES ADDED TO DIARY DATES

December 2025

Wednesday 10th

Red Class Christmas Celebration – 9am - Children can wear a Christmas or Festive Jumper for the day

Dear Parents and Carers

We're into December and, although I would usually be talking about Advent in Collective Worship, I decided to go back to the beginning and look at one of our school values: **Courage**. I thought I would redo one of my first ever assemblies about the story of Noah. Noah was given a job to complete and he knew it was the right thing to do, but he was beset by people saying that he shouldn't bother and that he was wasting his time. It took real courage on Noah's part to stick to the task and tune out all the 'noise' but he did it.

The word 'courage' comes from Old French and has roots in languages older than that, older than Greek and Latin, from the word *kerd* which means the heart or centre of something. Therefore, courage is literally what is at the core of things. It's something we have to dig deep within ourselves to find.



We will be looking at the school's four key values over the next term and thinking about how they relate to our everyday lives. The first one, courage, is all about us doing the right thing, even when it is difficult. Especially when it is difficult. That's what it means to be the 'oaks of righteousness' like it says in our school vision. Oaks don't blow over in a strong wind – they stand strong. That's what I want for us; to do the right thing, to stand strong, even when it's hard.

Thank you, Richard Austin

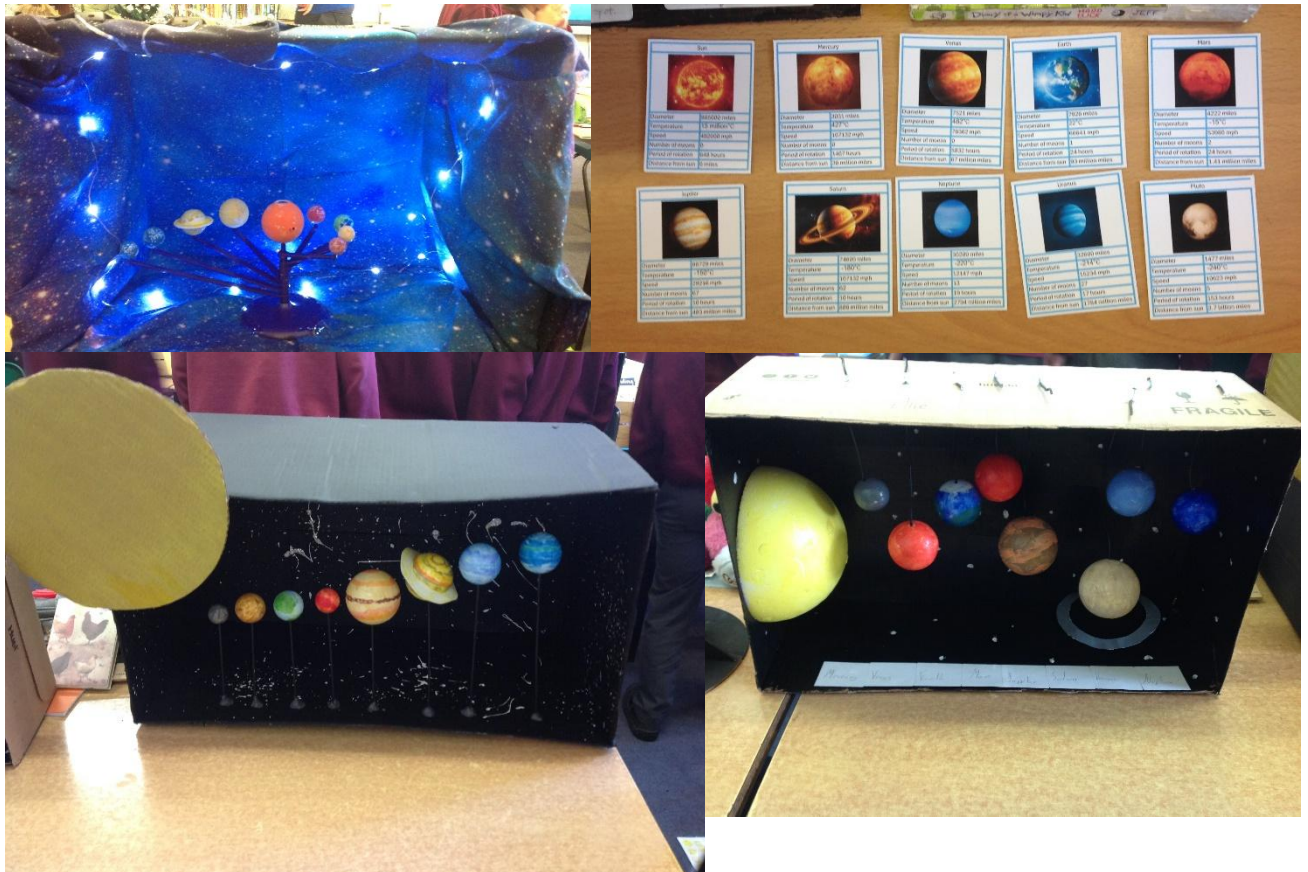


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Silver Class Space Models

Inspired by their trip to Winchester, Silver Class have been hard at work on these lovely models of the Solar System at home. Well done for all the efforts. They look fantastic.



Santa's Silver Supercars!



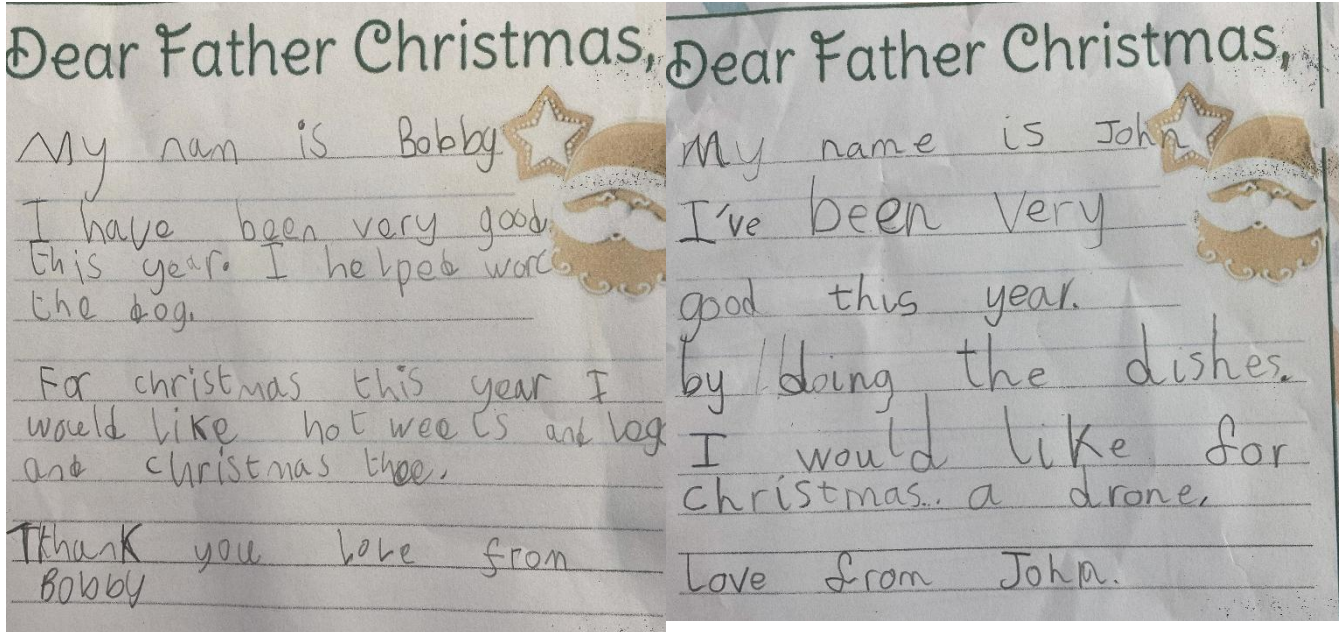
You can see Silver Class' lovely artwork on display in the window of **RT Mechanics** in Haslemere. We were partnered with RT as part of our annual participation in Haslemere's Christmas Windows competition. This year we decided to see what Santa would drive if he updated his sleigh to something more modern.



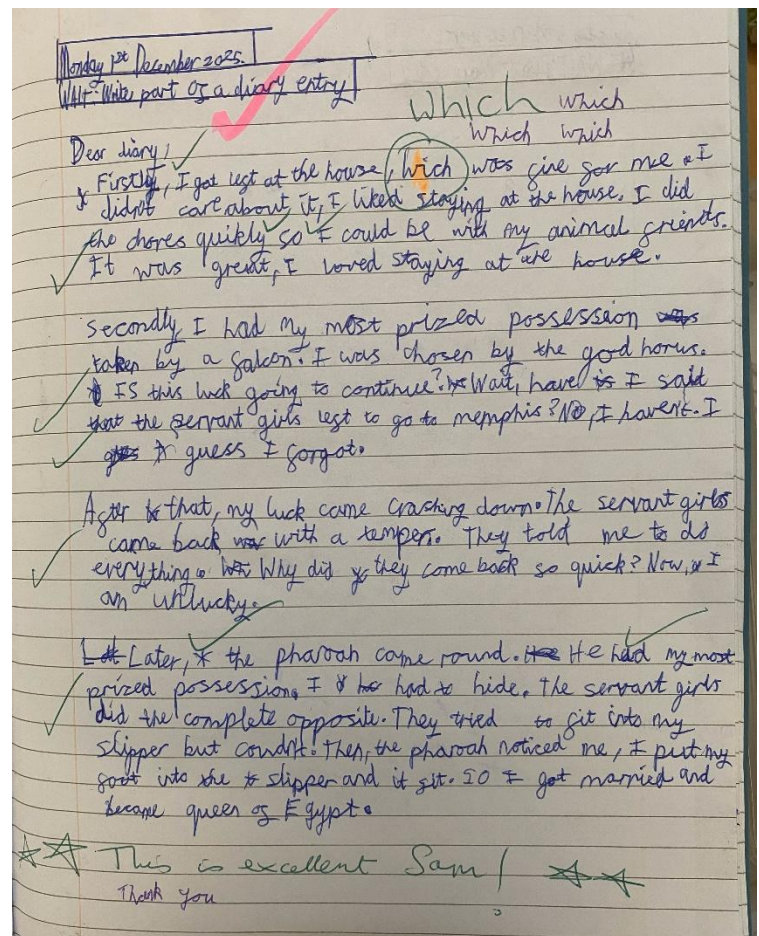
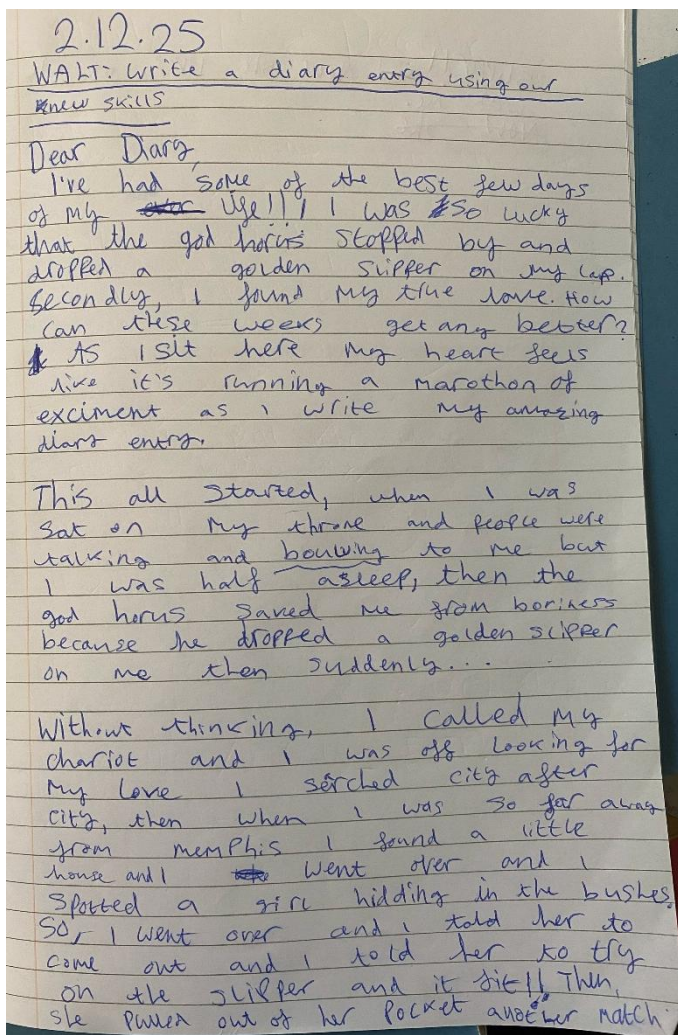
Writers' Corner

More of a feature than a corner this week, but with so much great writing going on around the school, it seemed a shame to not highlight it.

Starting with **Blue Class**, who were writing letters to Santa using appropriate punctuation.



Green Class have been writing diary entries based on the text they are reading, *The Egyptian Cinderella*. Here are Alfie and Sam's ideas.



Lastly, **Gold Class** have been writing letters as evacuees, drawing on their experiences at Henley Fort to add authenticity. Here are examples from Millie and Morgan.

So much great writing. Well done everyone!

Tuesday 1st December 1939
Dear Mummy,

I hope you're well. I am writing to tell you a bit about my new farming village. I miss you already but we will be together soon (hopefully). The trip to get there was around three hours. My gas mask has digging into me - it really hurts. The train was very noisy but my teacher accompanied me and I felt safe.

The village is quite quiet. I was taken by a lovely calm couple who were Mr and Mrs Cox. They have a son named Theodore who I share a room with. The house is giant. I have trouble getting around it - it was weird. Outside the garden is massive, with swings and slides, it was like a giant playground, it is so cool. We have both a Morrison and an Anderson shelter - so we can choose. I have made some new friends (Eleanor and others) and old ones too. Now that the war has started, there are guards patrolling everywhere in my peaceful village. There are more and more animals coming each day (just like me).

School is so fun. My teacher (Mr Smith) is so kind. At school we do some weird subjects including gardening, knitting and other things so we get learning done and we have fun. Although school is fun, I miss old school. We have to get up early for school, it is noisy if though. After school, I go to Scouts. But before that me and my friends play in the fields. Once a lion chased me (haha ha).

Oh I almost forgot. I miss all of you (mainly you Mum). I miss you very (especially when I am looking over in I hope there aren't many bombs in Manchester).

3rd May 1940
Dear Mother and Nanna,

I'm writing to tell you I am safe and sound. I know you'll be wondering what it's like here goes: So here goes:

The train ride felt so long and slow (I was nervous) but everyone is kind. I'm staying with a nice lady called Mrs Brown in the countryside. Her house is big with a lovely garden - she grows lots of fruit and vegetables (that are delicious) it's so quiet here compared to the city - you can even hear the birds singing all the time.

At first, I was scared being away from you but Mrs Brown made me feel welcome. She gave me some hot milk before bed last night, and I've been sharing a room with with with a little girl called Florence who goes to the same school as me!

School is fun a lot of the time but it's not as fun as back there. Every day after school Mrs Florence and our neighbour Timothy always go and play on the swings in the field! On the weekend we go on a walk and explore more. It's really fun even though I always trip over! For school I use pen and ink and my teacher is really strict. My school uniform is nice!

I miss you so much and I hope the war is nearly over. Do you have any home guards? And also for the first time ever I have went down to a stream.

Thank you for reading and I hope you are ok
All my love
Nellie xxx

Weekly Reflection

The four Cs of making dreams come true: Curiosity, Courage, Consistency, Confidence.

Walt Disney (born 5 December 1901)



Grayshott CE Primary School



December 2025

Monday 8 th	Yellow and Blue Classes Nativity, 2.00-3.15pm
Tuesday 9 th	Yellow and Blue Classes Nativity, 9.30-10.45 am
Wednesday 10 th	Red Class Christmas Celebration – 9am
Wednesday 10 th	Purple Class Student Progress Meetings
Thursday 11 th	Purple Class Student Progress Meetings
Thursday 11 th	PTA Meeting (Social)
Monday 15 th	School Nurse – Red Class Height, Weight, Vision
Tuesday 16 th	Red Class Cake Sale
Wednesday 17 th	KS2 Carol Service at St. Luke's Church, 2pm – 3pm
Thursday 18 th	Christmas Lunch
Friday 19 th	Vision Ambassadors Assembly, 9am – Invite only
Friday 19 th	End of term, collect 1.15pm

January 2026

Monday 5 th	Return to school
Tuesday 13 th	School Nurse – Gold Class Height, Weight, Vision
Thursday 15 th	Applications close for Year R 2026

February 2026

Friday 13 th	Vision Ambassadors Assembly, 9am – Invite only
Monday 16 th – Friday 20 th	Half Term
Wednesday 25 th	Silver Class – Young Voices at The O2 Arena, London



PTA News

PTA School Lottery



Please support us to raise funds for new laptops for the school by taking part in our school lottery. There are guaranteed prizes up for grabs each week including the chance to win the £25,000 jackpot! For every £1 spent 60p goes directly to raising much needed funds for the school.

We would be very grateful to anyone who can take part and also spread the word. The further we share it, the greater the funds we will be able to raise for the school.

“Thank you for your support”

[Click here for The Parents Lottery Link](#)

Community News and Events

[Haslemere Museum What's On](#)

Oh Come, All Ye Artists

We're calling for children aged 5 – 14 to unleash their creativity this Christmas and enter our Christmas card competition.

Design the front cover of our Christmas card on blank A4 paper and hand it in to your nearest Warren Powell-Richards office by **Friday 5th December**. One lucky winner will win a Nintendo Switch 2 (with Mario Kart World) and see their design feature on our official 2025 Christmas card*.



We wish you a Merry Masterpiece!

Thinking of moving in 2026? Contact your local **Warren Powell-Richards** branch to arrange a no obligation valuation of your property.

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