



SURFLEET PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Week Ending – 5th December 2025

Work Hard - Be Kind - Achieve

What's been happening in school this week?

In **Assembly**, we have been saying 'Merry Christmas' and learning about Advent. The first week of Advent is about hope and we talked about what this means and how it helps us to achieve. We looked at confidence and how this supports us to work hard and do our very best. Ask the children what they feel confident about and what they lack confidence in: it might surprise you!

In **Willow Class**, children have been learning about the artist Paul Klee and how he constructs portraits using shapes. The children have used photographs of themselves and added shapes to see how they can make their portraits using Paul Klee's style. I can't wait to see their designs and figure out who is who. Why don't you ask your children what shapes they used for their face and why?

In **Maple Class**, children have been continuing their learning in French about animals. This week they learned how to say 'I am' in French and then they had to pretend to be the animals! Would you be able to guess who said, 'Je suis un canard'? What about 'Je suis un lapin'? Can you guess which animal everyone wanted to be: cochon, cheval or vache? Ask your children to see which one they were (and what action they did)!

In **Oak Class**, children have been starting their STEM F1 project. Sounds exciting? Absolutely! The children have been working in groups to design cars that will compete against each other to be judged the best against a set of criteria. This isn't just a school competition. The winning car from our school will go into the regional competition in Boston in January. Ask the children how they feel about the project and see if they know anything about air resistance and downforce.

Congratulations to this week's Stars of the Week:



Willow

For much improved listening and joining in.



Maple

For her helpfulness, kindness and patience.



Oak

For his excellent effort in all areas.

**A huge well done to this week's
Multiplication Master:**



Winners of the Attendance Raffle were:



The prizes that were picked were:

- 2 extra Surfs for everyone in their class
- Luna time with a friend
- Extra playtime for the whole class
- Luna time with a friend
- Choice of an art lesson for the whole class

This week's attendance was:

Attendance for 1/12/25-5/12/25

Willow Class	Maple Class	Oak Class	Whole School
94.7%	100%	90.0%	93.5%
Oh dear...	WOW!	Yikes!	Sad times

It looks like illness has finally made its way to Surfleet Primary School and has affected quite a few families. **However well done to Maple for being the best attenders – 3 weeks in a row!**

Your School Needs YOU!

We are **desperate** for local people to join our governing board – can you help us?

The school's governing board is responsible for providing confident and strategic leadership, creating robust accountability, oversight and assurance for the school's educational performance and engagement with all stakeholders. I appreciate this sounds a bit heavy but in simple terms the governors are another level of support for the school that ensures we are doing the very best job for our children, staff and community.

I guarantee that all of you would have something to offer in the role of governor. The only 'qualification' you need is to be **someone who cares about the children in our school**. Regardless of your skill set, you would definitely be able to contribute to the board and the development of the school. Also, anyone can apply to be a governor. They don't have to be a current parent (i.e. tell everyone!).

If you are interested, contact the school for further information (pretty please with extra sugar on the top).



Upcoming Events

- **Thursday 11th December** – Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch
- **Friday 12th December** – PTFA Christmas Fair 3:30 pm
- **Tuesday 16th December** – Willow Nativity Evening Performance 5:30 pm
- **Wednesday 17th December** – Willow Nativity Afternoon Performance 2:30 pm
- **Friday 19th December** – Christingle Service at St Laurence's Church 1:30 pm
- **Friday 19th December** – End of Autumn Term

School Policies

All policies relevant to parents are available to view on the school's website.