

Acorn Park School



Newsletter



We care, we strive, we grow, we thrive



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Acorn Park - Weekly Roundup
Good afternoon, everyone,

I can't believe we are at the end of November already! I'm sure many of us are excited about Christmas (I know I am!) but just a little reminder that not all students here celebrate Christmas or can get quite unsettled at the changes at this time of year. We want to embrace here with a few events in the lead up to the end of term:

Wednesday 11th December - Christmas dinner (Roast with 'all the trimmings')

Thursday 12th December - Christmas jumper day

Friday 20th December (afternoon only) - end of term Christmas themed parent day – we will share more details next week including timings and locations.

Just a little reminder – not all students celebrate Christmas for a variety of reasons. So please support your children to understand this (where needed).

We are welcoming DramaTots back on Monday, this time to do drama sessions with our Semi-Formal students, we are confident they'll have a lovely time.

Our year 11s returned to the chocolate factory this week to buy 15kg of chocolate for Father Christmas to give out at the end of term parent day.

Tolkien visited Redwings today to support their English novel The Warhorse. They also went into Aylsham church to look around their Christmas tree festival.

Our Murphy students have continued their enterprising ways this week with the introduction of bracelets and dog biscuits on sale in reception. They look fantastic!

Not to be outdone, our 6th form pupils have continued their Acafe Park enterprise and now run on both Mondays and Fridays. Their customer service skills are truly developing they love to have a laugh with the staff team.

You may have heard of Go Go Gorillas, Dragons and Hares... But have you heard of the GoGoSafari in 2025? We have our very own 'mini G' (Giraffe) to decorate and it will feature in the trail next Summer!

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Student stars

Care:

Isaac W - for being a caring friend and helping rebuild a project without being asked.
Shamis H - showing care to her peers by making them laugh through tricking them

Strive:

Tobi L - has been helpful and supportive whilst working in the A Cafe, this is a huge achievement for Tobi following previous anxiety surrounding new people.
Wyatt F - has used his communication skills to ask for different activities for example to have a foot bath, to have space and to go and get eggs from Animal Care

Grow:

James B - has completed all his work this week and has been using different communication techniques to tell the staff what he wants and needs.

Thrive:

Adrian E - has been trying lots of new things this week that support him. Adrian has also continued to develop his friendships in the classroom and in the garden, playing chase or sharing his poppets.
Max S - has sustained his concentration during signing time for longer periods of time.

Staff stars

Care:

The catering team - not only have they had a few staff shortages but also a power cut this week! They juggle feeding all our students and staff under some very challenging circumstances and always deliver!

Strive:

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Zoey C – for always being positive and ready to help whenever the need arises.

Grow:

Grace B - for maintaining excellent relationships with students in Murphy despite working in other areas. Demonstrated by getting a reluctant swimmer in the pool in a caring and supportive way.

Thrive:

Beth M – for her continued support of the Thunberg team and empowering the teams to be autonomous in their work.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Adam and Emma