

3rd February 2023 - No. 443

A message from Mrs Bone, Deputy Headteacher

Welcome to February! It has felt as if we have travelled through the longest ever January! Thank you for your continued support of the school and for your feedback on aspects of school life that you feel could be improved. We rely on your perspective in order to review our practice and procedures and to redefine these where appropriate. Thank you for your honest and open appraisals.

I have had the privilege of working with some of our Worship Leaders this week in order to prepare and deliver worship on Mondays with me. I am always so impressed with their ideas for how to inspire the school to make the right choices and to live out our values. Thank you to them all.

This week has been a very creative one in school; Year 6 have been making periscopes, Year 4 have made flat bread, Year 3 have designed and made leaflets and have mapped the expansion of the Roman Empire. Our youngest children in school have been enjoying their weekly outdoor learning sessions and it has been a pleasure to watch their love of nature and the world around them evolve. Many thanks to Mr Everett for running all outdoor learning sessions and to all of our talented teaching teams for bringing learning alive. I know that Year 5 are looking forward to their Ancient Greek costume day next week – rediscovering which life was better; that of a Spartan or an Athenian. I am really looking forward to joining in with their day. Year 2 have been working really hard this week on their Reading and Maths skills; well done on a great week! This week Year 1 have been thoroughly immersed in being artists. They have created their own pictures inspired by Mondrian; we have some talented artists in school!

Next week is our last week of Term 3 so I hope you all have a restful weekend. We will look forward to welcoming you back to school on Monday.

Outdoor Learning Sessions

Monday 6th February - Y3
Tuesday 7th February - Y3
Wednesday 8th February - YR
Thursday 9th February - 6N
Friday 10th February - 1M

Please ensure your child brings into school a pair of named wellies and a named waterproof coat.

Things to Remember

Year 2 – It will be PE block week next week outside. Please ensure your child wears their outdoor PE kit to school every day.

Dates for the Diary

07.02.23 - Internet Safety Day
09.02.23 - 5R Class Assembly
09.02.23 - Y2 SATS Parent Meeting
10.02.23 - Y6 Magistrates Visit
10.02.23 - Mr Taylor's Quiz Night
13th – 17th Feb – Half Term
20.02.23 - No School - Inset Day
21.02.23 - Y6 SATS Parent Meeting
03.03.23 - World Book Day
09.03.23 - 1A Class Assembly
13.03.23 - EYFS Mother's day event
14.03.23 - EYFS Mother's day event
22.03.23 - Parents Evening
23.03.23 - Parents Evening

ACHIEVEMENTS

Learning Award

RB James D, RCG Xavier A, 1A Lydia AJ,
1M Jake L, 2H Hattie M, 2S Jamie HB,
3G Primrose A, 3S Sophie D, 4K Tristan L,
4M George S, 5F Summer H, 5R Tom C,
6C Johan H, 6N Toby H

Value Award

RB Ella H, RCG Amara V, 1A Ahan S,
1M Elsie HH, 2H Harry S, 2S Elizabeth M,
3G Dottie PD, 3S Sophie R, 4K Lexi S,
4M Millie S, 5F Gracie C, 5R Robyn S,
6C Benjamin A, 6N Neyah S



CLASS READING AWARD

1A
Highest % pass rate

House Points

Beckett	2403
Dickens	2515
Churchill	2487
Harvey	2151
Holmes	2389
Shakespeare	2405

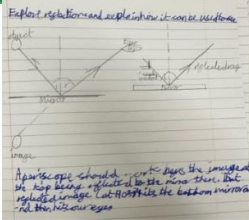
CONGRATULATIONS TO
CHURCHILL
This week's winners

School News

For information and to sign up for school closure emergency notifications; please click on the following link:
<https://kentclosures.co.uk/>

Lost property - A reminder that any items left in our lost property box by half term will be donated to charity. If your child has lost any uniform or non uniform items. Please feel free to come to the office and take a look in lost property.

The PFA are holding a Year 6 Leavers Party planning meeting on Thursday 23rd February at 6pm. The meeting will be held in the school hall and is open for all Year 6 parents who would like to attend. Children will be unable to attend the meeting so it is kept as a surprise for them.



Year 6 Learning

So far during our Science 'Light' unit, we have explored how light travels and the structure of the human eye; we have consolidated our understanding on how shadows are created and looked at how mirrors are used to reflect the line of sight. We have been using technical drawings to demonstrate our findings and working collaboratively in our mini experiments.

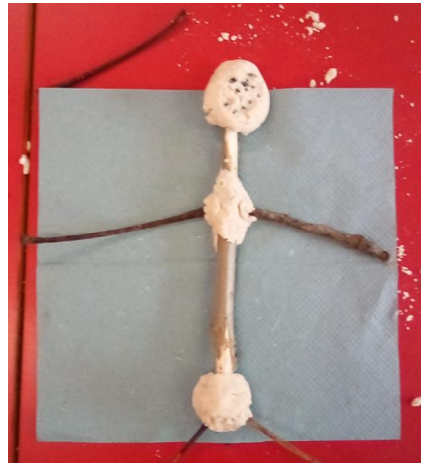
Year 4 Learning

This week, Year 4 enjoyed making flatbreads, which is what the Anglo-Saxons used to eat, before watching Mr Everett bake them on a fire. Some of us found them tasty, whilst others found them a little dry and would have loved some butter on it. We were also surprised to learn that Anglo-Saxon children drank beer instead of water!



Year 2 Learning

Last week Year 2 had an earth Art day. The children made sculptures, leaf pictures and were weaving with natural materials.



Year 5 Learning

Year 5 have been making ancient Greek theatre masks using mod-roc to develop the features of their masks.

