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A message from Mr Witts, Headteacher

A warm welcome back after the Half-Term break. What an exciting week it has been.

It has been fantastic to see the wonderful smiling faces of the children and seeing the exciting lessons in the classroom. I have seen some lovely art lessons and fascinating science learning.

After issues with our heating systems earlier in the week, we now have a temporary fix which allows the heating to be on – very necessary as we experienced the storm this week. I hope you all managed to stay safe and well.

We also had some important site work during the break, moving some offices around and using the foyer at the front of school to welcome visitors and support our safeguarding. We also had a new fence installed at the back of the school as part of safeguarding and security. That has meant that a few small trees were taken down to fit it in. To reassure you and our commitment to the environment we have a plan for new trees to be planted during the spring.

We are also really excited to move in to the next phase of our OPaL programme. This will be shared in more detail in the near future as it helps develop play, literacy and improves self-regulation through children's own actions. When they do this, they become more competent and independent learners.

We hope to see many of you tomorrow evening at our fireworks evening. A huge thank you to all involved with the PFA who make events like this possible.

Things to Remember

Year 1 - PE block week is next week (06.11.23 - 10.11.23). The children will need to come to school wearing their outdoor PE kit every day.

A reminder that children are only allowed to wear stud earrings in school. This is for the safety of your child. Any earrings must be removed before PE lessons

Dates for the Diary

6th - 10th November - Y6 PGL Residential
17.11.23 - Children in Need - Odd sock day
22.11.23 - Open Evening for New YR
23.11.23 - 3G Class Assembly
24.11.23 - Parent Device Safety Workshop
25.11.23 - Mr Taylor's Quiz night
28.11.23 - Flu Vaccinations
01.12.23 - PFA non-school uniform day
02.12.23 - PFA Christmas Fayre
05.12.23 - Pantomime show in school
08.12.23 - Christmas Jumper day
08.12.23 - Christmas Dinner day
08.12.13 - PFA school Disco

ACHIEVEMENTS

Learning Award

1A James H, 1M Alfie E, 2H Henry H,
2K Ryker M, 3B Oscar N, 3G Elizabeth M,
4C Edie B, 4MP Seb R, 5N Noah E,
5R Sophia S, 6C Josie K, 6L Oliver BG

Values Award

1A Olive R, 1M Adam A, 2H Jagger T,
2K Daisy W, 3B Layla T, 3G Grace S,
4C Elsie B, 4MP Sophie D, 5N Kayden W,
5R Charlie R, 6C Anna M, 6L Riley W



The trophy this **term** is for the most read minutes each week.

This week the trophy goes to **3G**

House Points

Beckett	862
Dickens	851
Churchill	1017
Harvey	926
Holmes	821
Shakespeare	792

CONGRATULATIONS TO
CHURCHILL
This week's Winners

School News

Mr Taylor is hosting a Quiz night on Saturday 25th November. It will be £4 per person, 6 people to a table. Doors will open at 7pm for a 7.30 start. If you would like to book a table, please call the school office or email your request to office@kingsnorth.kent.sch.uk.

Kent Closure Information

As we enter the winter season, please can you make sure to sign up to the Kent Closures website - <https://kentclosures.co.uk/> ahead of more challenging weather.

The information will be displayed on the website for parents and staff. Notifications will be sent out by email to all registered users.

Please note: this website is intended to display term time closures only, not times when the school is closed due to holidays.

Parents/carers may register as users at any time, by them clicking on the "Register for Alerts" tab and completing the fields. Note that after registering as a user, you can choose to receive notification from one or more schools or establishments as you need. If you registered last year, you can still use the same email address and password to log in.

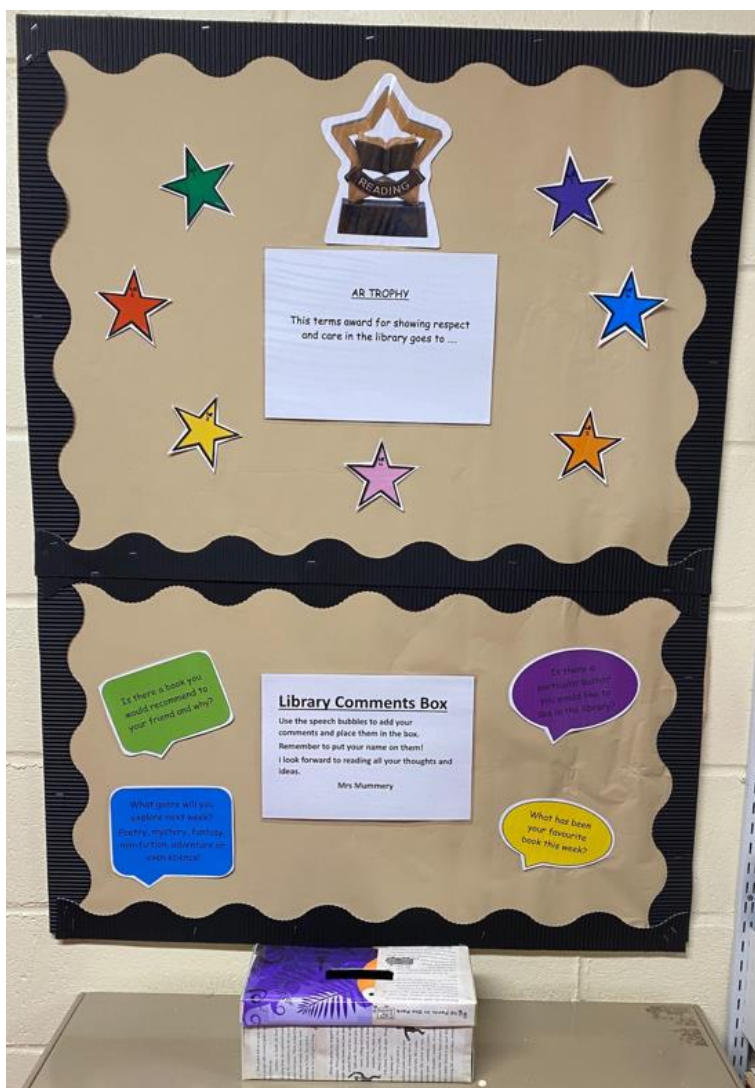
Please note that we will only close the school on the very rare occasion for Health and Safety reasons.

Library

Our librarian, Mrs Mummery, has been working extremely hard in the library and making it a useable space for the children to enjoy.

This term, the weekly AR Class Award is going to be awarded to the class showing respect and care in the library during their visits.

A comments box has been introduced for the children to share information about different books that they have read or any ideas they have about our library. Mrs Mummery is very excited to read these.





Please can we ask for any donations of any crates, tyres and plastic laundry bags for our OPAL project.

If you have any donations please can they be brought to the school office.

Year R Learning

In Reception this week, the classes have been exploring different painting techniques to create wonderful firework pictures.

As part of our RE and science lessons, the children have enjoyed making bread rolls.

