

NEWSLETTER 24th February 2023

Attendance:

Overall school attendance this week is 89.57%.

Congratulations to Year 5 Blake who are the attendance winners this week with 95.8%. As this is below 98%, no class will have an own clothes day next week.



For more information about our school, use our QR code to link to the website at any time.

Reminders

Tues 28.02.23 Year 6 Forest School Please provide suitable clothing for

your child.

Wed 01.03.23 Year 5 Forest School Please provide suitable clothing for your child.

Thurs 02.03.23: World Book Day Pupils may wear a suitable costume.

09.00 – Phonics Workshop Year 1 parents / carers. Information has been provided separately.

2.45 – Phonics Workshop Year 1 parents / carers. Information has been provided separately.

Fri 03.03.23: 09.05 – Celebration Assembly For selected parents / carers notified by text.

Message from the Senior Leadership Team

Dear Parents / Carers

This half-term has got off to a flying start with children already immersing themselves in their new topics. You should have received a copy of your child's curriculum map outlining what they will be learning, and we hope you agree that the topics and experiences on offer are exciting and engaging.

We're looking forward to celebrating World Book Day next week and you are invited to send your child into school in a suitable costume. Children will receive their £1 World Book Day vouchers on World Book Day and there are some great books on offer this year to exchange them for.

On the right-hand side, you will see some reminders about the week ahead, which we hope is a useful tool.

Best wishes, The Senior Leadership Team

Safeguarding:

If you are concerned about the safety or wellbeing of a child please contact the NSPCC on their helpline: **0808 800 5000**

or email help@nspcc.org.uk
If you believe that a child is in immediate danger call 999. Our school safeguarding leaders can be contacted by emailing stillman@templegroveacademy.com or telephoning 07835946414 / 07943276854

Stars of the Week:



R - Esme

Year 1 - Carter

Year 2 - Jamie

Year 3 - Tesha

Year 4 – James B

Year 5 - Hanna

Year 6 – Paige



Early Years Foundation Stage

We hope you all had a restful half-term break. The children have returned to school raring to go. Our topic this term is *Food Glorious Food!* Over the next few weeks' in literacy, we will be focussing on the traditional tale – *The Little Red Hen.* This week we have read a version of the story and created a wholel class story map which we will use to help recall key events and characters in the story. In phonics we have learnt about the digraphs (two letters that make one sound) ng as in 'rang' and qu as in 'quack', and also adding the suffix *-ing* to words e.g., 'pack' / 'packing'. In maths we have explored height, length and weight. The children had lots of fun at Forest School on Tuesday where they made and decorated their very own medals. In PE the children have been focussing on ball skills.







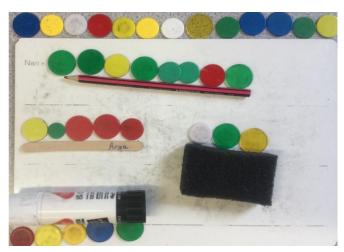


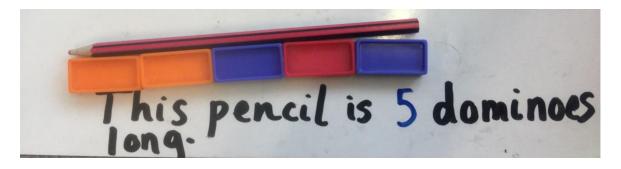


Year 1: Dahl

Dahl class have been learning to measure with non standard units. They had such wonderful fun measuring classroom items such as pencils and glue sticks and then comparing their findings. You are shining stars, Dahl class.



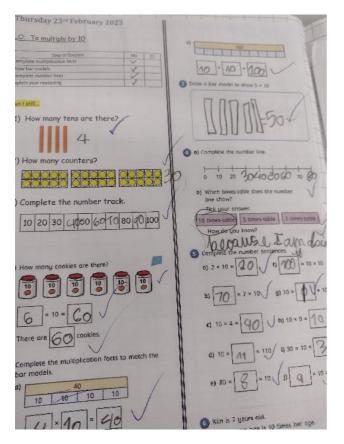


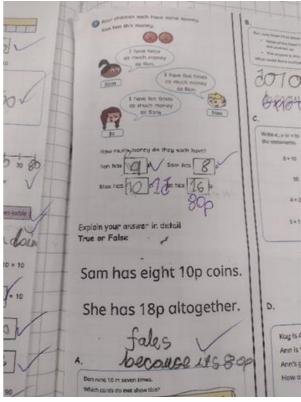




Year 2: Anthony & Browne

During Maths week, Browne Class have been learning about both multiplication and division. They are now able to use a range of manipulatives to solve various problems. They have also spent a lot of time reviewing work and have used purple pens to 'move our learning forward' when required. Well done everyone for showing so much determination.







Year 3 Walliams:

Walliams have some lovely paintings of umbrella shielding them from the rain, on display in the KS2 corridor. They also wrote some fantastic descriptions to accompany their artwork. Their emotive vocabulary is wonderful





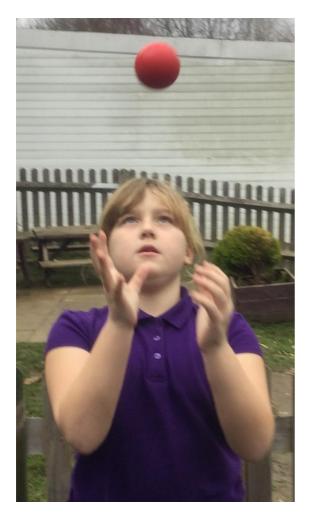


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Year 4 Snicket:

This week year 4 have enjoyed developing their catching skills in Cricket, our new PE topic.









Year 5 Blake:

Year 5 were lucky enough to take part in a fantastic ceramics workshop. They were shown how to recreate the Greek pots that they designed last term using the 'pinch pot' technique. The children thoroughly enjoyed the workshop and produced some amazing pots. They are looking forward to painting them in traditional colours next week!





Year 6 Shakespeare:

The first week back has flown by and Year 6 have hit the ground running with getting stuck into percentages in Maths; learning all about Frida Kahlo for biography writing in English; and considering British traditions compared with Mexican traditions in topic. They also enjoyed a fantastic pottery workshop to bring our topic on Ancient Greece to a close.





Film Club



Thank you to all of our parent volunteers who help run Film Club each week. The club is a fantastic opportunity for pupils to relax and enjoy both familiar and new film tiltes with their friends. They are also treated to delicious refreshments, cosy cushions and bean-bags for the viewing.







Parent-Child Attachment Pay Workshop

Our workshops are a warm and welcoming space for parents to try out new ways of engaging with their child and using play to develop key skills.

If you would like to attend a PCAP workshop, please contact Suzie via the school office where you can also take a leaflet to find out more.











Over and Above Club this Week:

Dahl: Hadley Browne: Cara

Walliams: Tily-Mae Snicket: Grace D Blake: Freddie

Shakespeare: Selina



Kindness certificate winners this week:

Dahl: Imogen-Rose

Browne: Leo Anthony: Molly Walliams: Beau Snicket: Scarlett

Blake: Henry

Shakespeare: Fallon



This week here are children who demonstrated our School Value of...



Year 1 Dahl: Leyton for consistently showing good manners and being respectful.

Year 2 Browne: Izabella for continuing to showcase immaculate behaviour to her peers and teachers.

Year 3 Walliams: Kaiden has been so helpful with setting the class up for the morning.

Year 4 Snicket: Lee-Jay is always polite and respectful to all staff.

Year 5 Blake: Belle for being a considerate, helpful and respectful member of the class.

Year 6 Shakespeare: Libby for being a role-model for positive learning behaviours.



Home Reading



Supporting

Reading

at

Home



Take a look at the "Turn on the Subtitles" campaign. https://turnonthesubtitles.org/parents/



The initiative is backed by famous faces such as Stephen Fry and comes with a backbone of expert evidence which suggests that turning on the subtitles can double the chances of a child becoming a proficient reader. We will be discussing this with children in school and promoting the use of subtitles whenever we use screens in class. It would be great if you could take part too.



WORLD BOOK DAY



Changing lives through a love of books and reading.

World Book Day is about celebrating books and reading all year round. It's never too early to encourage a love of reading and you can find activities and advice here to help you enjoy sharing stories together as a family not just on World Book Day but every day of the year.

https://www.worldbookday.com/families/





On Friday 17th March at 3.30pm, we will be hosting a Scholastic book fair in the school hall. The book fair will run every afternoon after school until Thursday 23rd March.

It will also run during Parents Evening on Wednesday 22nd March.

Books are available to purchase from just £2.99 and Scholastic reward the school by giving us a portion of the money raised to buy books!

The more books you buy for home, the more we will be able to buy for our school library and classrooms!

To celebrate World Book Day (2nd March) all pupils will also be given a £1 World Book Day Voucher which can be used at the Book Fair for books of £2.99 or more.



Primary School Applications

Applications for transfer to primary school for both the Reception year and Year 3 (junior school) in September 2023 will open on Friday 4 November 2022 and close on Monday 16 January 2023.

Applications can be made online. Please visit <u>Primary school places - Kent County Council</u> for more information or to apply.



Summer-born children

As you may be aware, while most children start school in the September following their 4th birthday, they do not reach Compulsory School Age (CSA) until the term after their 5th birthday. For children who are under CSA, once a place has been accepted, parents/guardians can decide for their child to start a pattern of part time attendance or a delayed start until later in the school year.

DOB	May start school full or part time from	Must start school full time no later than
1 st Sept 2018 – 31 st Dec 2018	September 2023	January 2024
1 st Jan 2019 – 31 st Mar 2019	September 2023	April 2024 (Usually following the Easter Holidays)
1 st Apr 2019 – 31 st Aug 2019 (also known as a Summer Born child)	September 2023	September 2024 (starting from Year 1)

If you think this arrangement may apply to you, please use the Parental <u>advice</u> from the Department of Education to help you make a decision.