



*“Give your best, expect success!”*

26<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have reached the end of another term, and what a term it has been! Short though it was, Term 5 was full of SATs tests, events and competitions, a fire drill and outings - not to mention a Coronation thrown into the mix!

Through all the change and disruption, the children at Temple Mill have remained positive and cheerful and have really shown us what they are made of. Well done to them all, and also to all the staff that worked so hard to bring it all together.

We wish you all a safe and happy break and we're looking forward to seeing you all back for our final term of the year,

Mrs Lewis.

**School Motto:** We are proud to announce that we have a new school motto! Our Head Pupils organised a competition to come up with a motto that would represent our school strengths and values. Every child had the opportunity to put in a suggestion. Each class sent their favourites to the head pupils to longlist and then the school leaders shortlisted to a final 3. We then had a whole school vote, including staff and governors and the winner was the motto below, created by Phoebe:

*Give your best, expect success!*

We think this is a great choice as it is about us being empowered to take responsibility for our success, but also includes success of all kinds so we can apply it to our personal goals.

Special mentions went to Woody and Imogen for being in the longlist and to Emilia and Mason for making the final 3.

We have let the Howard Academy Trust Leaders know about our new motto so it can start appearing in their communications and we have had some great feedback. Mrs Reis said, “Well done to your children, I love the motto”. Mr Taylor said, “The motto is great, the children have done an excellent job.”

**Artisan's Market:** This was a great success! The children had created some wonderful things to sell and had a great time selling them. Thank you very much to all of you who visited and enjoyed the fun. All of the classes made healthy profits and as it really was a team effort, the classes will share the £393.29 made in total. They are planning to each make a charitable donation of their choice and spend the rest on an end of term treat. Mr Taylor, our head of Finance said the children showed “brilliant entrepreneurial skills!” There are so many great pictures we will be putting together a “special edition” of the newsletter to share next term.



**Horton Kirby:** Year 5 headed off to Horton Kirby to find out more about rivers and the wildlife in and around them. The children enjoyed catching newts and also filling their wellies with river water it seems! We had a lovely email commending our children for their good behaviour and enthusiasm from Mr Berry the group leader. Well done, Lion Class! Look out for more details and pictures coming soon.



**EYFS Dress Up Day:** There were busy bees, hungry caterpillars and mini-beasts of all kind in EYFS today as our youngest classes celebrated their term's learning. Well done everyone, the costumes looked great!

**Celebration Assembly:** There was so much to celebrate this week, we wondered if it would be done by lunchtime!

Headteacher Awards this week covered "turn around" stories in writing and maths, commendations for helping out around the school and excellent attitudes, well done to all that had their efforts recognised.

We also found out that the Artisan Market's Scarecrow was named Bob! Thanks to Teddy for the winning suggestion drawn from the lucky dip in Year 5's competition.

We also awarded 2 BEAM certificates and 3 40 Book Challenge Reading certificates, all that alongside news about the Artisan market and announcing the new motto meant it was a fabulous Celebration Assembly and I was very proud to be the Head of School at Temple Mill - what a great place!

**Attendance:** Temple the Cat has spent this week with Lions (Year 5) and was lucky to head off to Horton Kirby for the river investigation day - Temple didn't get as wet as the rest of the class though! Temple will spend the first week of Term 6 with Lions again (Year 5) who achieved 97%

So far, this term's whole school attendance is 95% and the academic year attendance is 94%

**This week's House Points:**

DIAMOND	SAPPHIRE	EMERALD	RUBY
			
94	106	95	78

Well done all members of Sapphire!

**Dates for your diary:**

Fri 26th May - Term Ends (children in school)

Mon 5th June - Staff Development Day (children NOT in school)

Tues 6th June - Term Starts (children return to school)

Thursday 22nd June Sports Day for Y1-6 am Family Picnic for everyone pm

Friday 23rd June Sports Day for EYFS am

Fri 7th July - Trust Development Day (children NOT in school)

Friday 21st July - Term Ends (Children in school)