



Give your best, expect success!

12-Jul-24

Dear Parents and carers,

I can't quite believe we have reached the penultimate Friday of the school year – and what a year it has been. I'm sure that next week we will spend a lot of time reflecting on the ups and down we have had since September but for now, we are thinking all about finishing the year well.

Next week is sure to be full of fun and maybe a few tears as we say some goodbyes, so in the meantime, have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Lewis

Gold! this week we had our final assessment and I am thrilled to announce that we have achieved the School Games Mark at the Gold Standard! This is a prestigious that rewards schools for their commitment to sports and keeping active. We were judged on our curriculum, all the extras we do in school beyond the curriculum, our participation in competitions and how well we keep everyone involved. As a small school, this has been a challenge to achieve but our thanks to Mrs Charles our visiting PE specialist, all the children that have taken part and the staff who have supported them A great team effort!



Road Safety: On Thursday, Year 2 met with Sarah from Medway Council to learn about road safety. The children went up onto Cliffe Road and in groups all had a turn at using the pedestrian crossing correctly. Sarah spoke to them about remembering to, "Stop, look, listen, think!" She also told them how looking and thinking were especially important now as electric cars are almost silent!

The children listened well to Sarah and followed her instructions perfectly. Year 2 were very shocked to see a number of grown-ups who did not use the crossing safely; they didn't push the button, walked on the wrong side of the guardrail and sometimes walked diagonally across the road instead of sticking to the crossing. The children just couldn't understand why you wouldn't use the crossing properly as it is there for your safety!

We had a lovely email this morning commending the Year 2 children. She said they were a credit to the school, "...with fantastic behaviour and thoughtful contributions."



PGL Returners: Our PGL group returned from their PGL experience on Wednesday, very tired but having enjoyed some great experiences. Although they may have thought "What happens at PGL, stays at PGL" we are starting to hear some very interesting stories! Well done to all that attended.

A special mention to the Year 6 children that stayed at school. This little group worked together to take part in some fun activities – 2 of which involved cooking.

But they also gave up some of their time to go and help out in reception and Nursery, to organise the new stationery coming, scan books for the library and 2 brave souls even ventured into the depths of the art cupboard for a good clear out! Thank you for all of our help!

Ice Creams on Wednesday: Next Wednesday, Year 6 are holding their “Leavers Fest” fun day. As part of this, the ice cream van will be visiting. The money raised at our Artisan’s market in May is going to be used for every child to enjoy a small ice cream or ice lolly that day. If you would prefer your child to not have an ice cream or lolly that day, please let your child’s teacher know.



Theatre Workshop: Nursery and Reception Class were visited by a theatre group today. Caterpillars enjoyed a workshop about Alice in Wonderland and Butterflies’ theme was a Carnival of Stories. The children enjoyed them very much.

Goodbyes: Next week we will be bidding some fond farewells.

Monday will be Mrs Charles’ last day with us. Mrs Charles has worked wonders on our PE and guided us to our Gold School Games Mark. Mrs Charles has been teaching PE in Year 1 and Year 2 and she also ran some great after school activity clubs that managed to reach children across the school. Thank you for all of your hard work Mrs Charles, we hope you have had fun with us and wish you all the best for the future!





On Tuesday we will be wishing Mrs Dhanda all the best as a family opportunity has meant she will be moving on from Temple Mill. Mrs Dhanda has been part of Temple Mill since 2016 and has seen many children through the school. We’d like to thank Mrs Dhanda for all she has done for us and we hope she keeps in touch.

Finally, Miss Galbraith will be off to get ready for the arrival of her second child in September. We wish her all the best and hope to meet the new baby Galbraith soon!

Celebration Assembly: Due to the Theatre Workshop in the hall, Celebration Assembly will be on Monday.

Attendance: Our whole school attendance was 95% this week with our top attenders being Year 5, Lion Class with 98%!

This week’s House Points:

DIAMOND	SAPPHIRE	EMERALD	RUBY
			
89	103	91	93

Well done to Sapphire! On Monday there will be one more tally of House Points to see which House will have won their colours day for the term and which House has the most for the whole year and so will have their House Fun day on Thursday.

Dates for your diary: (Full details and booking etc to follow)

- 15/07/24 - Term ends for children in Nursery only
- 15/07/24 - iRock concert
- 15/07/24 - Y6 Picnic at Broom Hill
- 16/07/24 - Y6 Awards
- 17/07/24 - Year 6 Fest and Inflatables Day and Ice Cream Van visit.
- 16 - 18/07/24 - New Nursery and Reception Home Visits
- 18/07/24 - Year 6 Leavers Party 6 - 8pm
- 19/07/24 - Year 6 Leavers Assembly
- 19/07/24 Term Ends for rest of school
- 04/09/24 - Term 1 starts for children.

