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Dear Parents and carers,

Welcome back and a Happy New year everyone!

We've made a positive return to school this week, we launched our new value for the term: Resilience. We've been talking about determination, not letting setbacks put us off and being persistent. Coming back to school has been a challenge for some but we have ended the week in good spirits and with many successes already enjoyed.

We're now looking forward to a busy term, the teachers have been very busy planning some great opportunities for their classes.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Lewis.

Year 6 Red Cross Visit: This week, Year 6 took part in a Red Cross workshop on "Coping with Challenge and being Resilient". Year 6 learnt there are 4 pillars of Resilience (connections, stability, resources and adaptability) and that following each of these pillars can help you be successful and cope in difficult situations. They then looked at applying these skills to different scenarios. Mrs Lucas was very impressed with the responses from the children, they were thoughtful and reflective.



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An opportunity to join the team: We are looking for a new Midday Meals Supervisor for our Reception Class. The role is an hour a day and will include helping children with their lunches, supervising the playground and helping the children in their play so they can have happy and enjoyable lunchtimes. If you or someone you know is interested, please see the application pack on our website here:

<https://www.thatrust.org.uk/vacancies?vacancyid=539>

Please note that although the post is described as temporary, it is likely to be a long-term position.



RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch: We will be encouraging the children to take part in this event between 24 and 26th January. To get the children up and running we are delighted to be hosting a special assembly about the Big Birdwatch led by a volunteer from Medway RSPB next week. You can find out more about the actual event here: <https://www.rspb.org.uk/whats-happening/big-garden-birdwatch>



Winter Weather: It is great to see the children coming into school wrapped up warm and cosy, but please ask your children to keep track of their hats, gloves and scarves over the day as our lost property basket is rapidly filling up! You can help by naming these items so if they are left outside, they can be quickly returned. Thank you.

In case of snow:

School will always aim to stay open, as long as it is safe to do so.




- *If significant snow is on the ground, we will move to a 10.00 start to allow staff to arrive safely and for us to ensure the site is safe for our children.*
- *You will be notified as soon as we are able to make decision - you don't need to contact school, we'll let you know. (Please check on Arbor that we have the correct contact details for you.)*
- *If school is open but there is snow around, we would suggest your child attends school with a change of footwear and clothes, in case we have an opportunity to get outside.*
- *If it is unsafe for children to attend, the school may close. Teachers will be in touch with some online learning on the day.*



Celebration Assembly: Resilience was high on the agenda for his week's Headteacher Awards, Children showed resilience and persistence in maths and writing in particular. It was also wonderful to hear how some children have clearly come back to school absolutely determined to give their absolute best. Well done to al of our Award winners.

Attendance: A pretty good start back for the whole school with attendance at 95%. Our Top Attenders this week were Lion Class with a fabulous 100%! They really mean business and Mrs Champness is planning a reward for them next week.

This week's House Points:

DIAMOND	SAPPHIRE	EMERALD	RUBY
			
23	27	30	21

Well done to Emerald!

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

- 15th January – RSPB Birdwatch Assembly
- 16th January – Census day
- 27th January – Height & Weight check for Years R & 6
- 7th February – NSPCC Numbers Day
- 13th February – Film Night
- 14th February – Term ends
- 24th February – Term 4 begins

