



*Give your best, expect success!*

21-Mar-25

Dear Parents and carers,

A double newsletter this week! Technical issues meant that last week's Newsletter didn't go so we'll catch up this week!

To make space, I shall just say have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Lewis



**Book Competitions:** We had two creative competitions to judge and present prizes for recently. The plate competition for World Book Day inspired over 100 entries. It took a lot of deliberation but last week the runners up and winners were announced. Poor Mrs Lucas now has the task of working out how to display them all!

The House Captain's Competition to create something wonderful for the library overlapped the plate competition and so we didn't get so many entries as usual.



However, the items we did receive were amazing! Today we were able to announce those winners and award some more prizes. The House Captains are now racking their brains to come up with another challenge for the Easter holiday - watch this space!



**Serious Science in Butterfly Class:** Last week Reception class had lots of fun and learning during Science Week, exploring capillary action (to see coloured water travel along a stem) and also some fun experimenting with the reaction between bicarbonate of soda and vinegar. It was an exciting hands-on experience!



**Victorious Victorians!:** Year 5 have really been becoming immersed in their



Victorians project. Last week, they held an experience day here in school. A number of filthy urchins, chimney sweeps and little maids came into school to meet their rather stern looking school ma'am. They experienced some Victorian style lessons, learning about the Empire and tried some copperplate handwriting. The children also swapped PE for "Drill" and tried their best to be seen and not heard. Not everybody did so well at their lessons though, the Dunce's Cap seemed to be in use all through the day!




This week, they were able to walk to Rochester to visit the Guildhall Museum for a Victorian workshop. They found out even more but were also able to share the knowledge they had already gained - Mrs Champness was very impressed! There was a lot of fun to be had identifying strange objects to the sound of a very loud Victorian hooter!



**Celebration Assembly:** A busy morning saw us award prizes, Skipping awards and 40 Book Reading Challenge Awards! As usual, individuals were given recognition for their learning and other contributions to school life - one child was rewarded in his absence for a great attitude to learning for all the study he did while off with chickenpox!

**Attendance:** Temple enjoyed his trip out to the Guildhall with Year 5 and hoped to be just as well entertained after the class achieved an incredible 100% attendance this week! While school attendance is at 95% so let's all try and be a bit more Lion Class!

**This week's House Points:**

DIAMOND	SAPPHIRE	EMERALD	RUBY
			
124	114	128	138

Well done to **RUBY** House!

**Dates for your diary:**

- 19<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> March – Book Fair
- 24<sup>th</sup> March – 4<sup>th</sup> April – Big Walk & Wheel Challenge
- 25<sup>th</sup> March – Mother's Day Gift Sale – Volunteers needed!
- 26<sup>th</sup> March – Kent Fire & Rescue Service visiting Temple Mill
- 26<sup>th</sup> March – Year 6 Trip to The Royal Engineers Museum
- 27<sup>th</sup> March – YR walk to Broomhill Park
- 31<sup>st</sup> March – iRock concert
- 1<sup>st</sup> April – Year 6 Easter Event for years 1 - 5
- 2<sup>nd</sup> April – last day of term for **Nursery**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> April – **EYFS** dress up day – wear something colourful **Nursery & Reception**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> April – STEM Workshop Year 1 and Year 4
- 3<sup>rd</sup> April – Parent Work Shop – Behaviour Support
- 3<sup>rd</sup> April – Spring Disco -Volunteers needed!
- 4<sup>th</sup> April – Term ends for rest of school
- 22<sup>nd</sup> April – INSET day

