



11th November 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our children have been making us proud all week, they really are the very best!

The week started with an assembly led by our Year 2 and Year 6 children. They had been working together on a launch for this year's Global Learning Project and so used the assembly to tell the other children all about it.

We also had several parent tours for families who are thinking about Temple Mill for their children's Reception Class. Our Year 6 tour guides were amazing and able to share their knowledge as they showed the families around. They were commended for their confidence, good manners and enthusiasm and described as an "asset to the school" many times. The tours went all around the school and the children in their classes also showed us off really well and we also received lots of compliments about them too!

This week we have also been preparing to mark Remembrance Day. Year 6 children have been busy collecting donations in exchange for poppies and other merchandise, our families have been so generous, so thank you very much indeed. At 11.00, Hayden and Matthew rang the bell to start our two minutes silence and this was observed with great respect. We also heard about children who have been working collecting for the Poppy Appeal with the clubs they belong to outside of school, well done to those children too.



Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Lewis

Anti-Bullying Week - we like to think we are anti-bullying all year round but next week is a national focus week and we shall be marking this with a focus on kindness. The theme this year is "Reach Out" so we will be particularly thinking about positive acts of kindness and ensuring we create an atmosphere where children can speak up when things go wrong. To start the week, children are invited to wear bright odd socks to show their support for the week. Thank you to the Year 6 children who put up a corridor display to encourage children to take part.



Parents evening and sharing sessions: Our sharing sessions have been very well attended and the children have enjoyed showing their learning to their families. Our Parent Consultation evenings are next week, Tuesday and Wednesday and we are looking forward to welcoming you. Don't forget the Pre-Loved Uniform store will be available, as well as the Book Exchange and Temple Mill Stores. Mrs Gabriel and Mrs Caselton will also be on hand to answer questions about how we can support your child or family.



Year 6 Experience Day: Linked to their learning on the battle of Britain, year, 6 took part in a child evacuee experience morning. They were given identify cards and a tag to wear, made gas mask boxes and considered which valuable items they would have wanted to pack. They watched some moving videos showing clips of the busy stations and the vast number of evacuees there were. We even got to hear some stories from Mrs Terry's mum and dad about their own experiences of being a child evacuee! Well done to all, it was a fantastic morning.

Some of the evacuees also led our Parent Tours which our visitors enjoyed very much!



Celebrating in Butterfly Class: This week Butterfly Class has been reading the text 'Kipper's Birthday' and talking about how they would organise a party. The children came up with lots of fantastic ideas that were shared in our group sessions. We practiced writing party invitations and birthday cards and made a party list. We also baked a delicious vanilla birthday cake. Yummy!



Volunteers: Thank you very much to those of you who have already volunteered to help at some of our upcoming events, it is much appreciated. We are beginning to gather a great team of helpers, if you think you'd like to join us, please contact Mrs Gee in the office.

Welcome: You may have noticed a new face in the Temple Mill Team. Mrs Voller has joined Mrs Gee in the office, she will be there over the middle of the day from Monday to Thursday and I am sure you will make her feel very welcome.

Parking on King Arthur's Drive: this week, Mr Patey and I have observed congestion outside our school caused by parents parking on the double yellow lines near the corner, preventing cars from being able to turn right. Please ensure we keep this clear to allow for smooth movement. Unfortunately, we have also had a complaint from a resident about inconsiderate parking making it very difficult for them to leave their drive. We encourage our children to be respectful and considerate so please apply these qualities when parking near our school. Thank you.

Attendance: Temple the Cat spent the week with Lion class and guess what? Temple will be return to Lion's (year 5) this week, as they matched last week's 98% attendance. However, 3 classes achieved attendance of 96% so who knows where Temple will be next week.

So far, this term's whole school attendance is 94.3 and 2

for the week it is 95%, and for the academic year, the attendance is 93.3%

This week's House Points:

DIAMOND	SAPPHIRE	EMERALD	RUBY
			
85	102	96	65

Well done all members of Sapphire!

Dates for your diary:

Mon 14th November - Odd Socks Day for Anti-bullying week

Mon 14th November - Year 6 Parent Sharing Afternoon 2.45pm

Tues 15th & Weds 16th November - Parent Consultation Evening (by appointment only)

Weds 16th November - Year 4 Trip to Maidstone Museum



Mon 21st-Thurs 24th November - Book Fair Week
Thurs 24th November - Years 3 & 6 Trip to Maidstone Museum
Fri 25th November - Dress Down Day (in return for donation to TEMPO)
Tues 6th December - EYFS Nativity 10am
Weds 7th December - EYFS Nativity 1.30pm
Mon December - KS1 Nativity 2pm
Tues 13th December - KS1 Nativity 9.30am
Thurs 15th December - Reception, Years 1 & 2 Christmas Disco 3.45pm-4.45pm
Thurs 15th December - KS2 Christmas Disco 5.15pm-6.30pm
Fri 16th December - Pantomime (years 1 - 6)
Mon 19th December - KS2 Carols by Candlelight 3.45pm-4.30pm
Tues 20th December - Last Day of Term
Weds 4th January - Term 3 Starts (Children return to school)

