



24th March 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

It is lovely to finish the week in the sunshine! We started the week thinking about International Day Of Happiness (Monday 20th). The focus of the day was the 3 elements recognised to support happiness. They are; mindfulness, gratitude and kindness. The children sent some wishes to people they care about and hopefully managed to experience all 3 elements over the week.

Here's hoping this spring time sunshine and all the happiness we've been wishing each other lasts into the weekend and beyond!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs L. Lewis

TEMPO - Mother's Day Gifts: Last week we held our Mother's Day Gift sale and the children really enjoyed browsing and making their choices. Thank you to those of you that purchased vouchers to support the sale and if you received one of the gifts, we hope you loved it! A huge thank you also to the volunteers who shopped and wrapped for the sale, the gifts were wonderful and looked



fantastic. The sale raised £115 for the TEMPO pot and will enable us to stage more events for the children in the coming months and also to support any projects we identify through our school council.

The next TEMPO even is the **School Disco** evening on **Thursday 30th March**. It's not too late to purchase tickets from Arbor, we had so much fun last time!

Book Fair - As ever the book fair was very popular, it was lovely to see the children having a good look through the shelves and creating their "wish lists", thank you for supporting the sale and we hope you enjoy sharing the new books. We're excited to see what our school commission will be so we can restock.



Year 6 Fundraiser: Year 6 children are working hard to raise some money for some well-deserved celebration events at the end of the year. They are running an **Easter Fun Day** on **Wednesday 29th March**, to be followed by an after school cake sale. To ensure there are plenty of cakes, the Year 6 children would like to request some donations from our families and so have asked for a **"Tops and Tails"** dress up day on **Monday 27th March**. This fun take on a non-uniform day means that in exchange for a cake donation, children can come in their own clothes on their top half and uniform on the bottom half, or vice versa!

Year 4 visit to Abbey Court's Larkin Farm: Yesterday, Year 4 visited Larkin Farm with children from Abbey Court as part of the Inclusion



project. They worked in the polytunnel planting their own sunflowers seeds, went on a tour of the farm and then had the opportunity to study chicken and duck eggs close up. The children were lucky

enough to see and hold some of the rabbits living at Larkin Farm. Lots of fun was had by all!



Larkin Farm is such a great resource to have on our door step, we're hoping to take more children to visit in the future.

Celebration Assembly: Our assembly started with a song full of sunshine and was full of good news! Our awards today included awards for kindness to others, children and animals (even the very pecky chickens) as well as for some excellent learning across the curriculum.

Attendance: Temple the Cat has spent this week with Lions (Year 5) who told us that Temple had become very smart over the week because of all the learning they had to do! Temple will spend next week with Tigers who achieved 97.81!

So far, this term's whole school attendance is 94.81%, the academic year attendance is 93.4%

Thank you to those of you who have responded so positively to our changes of timings for the beginning of the day. This has led to some much-improved punctuality and the children and staff really appreciate your efforts.

This week's House Points:

DIAMOND	SAPPHIRE	EMERALD	RUBY
			
30	46	62	33

Well done all members of Emerald!

HOUSE CAPTAINS NEWS: The House Captains have been working with the school Leadership Team on ways to make House Points more valuable and important and so encourage positive behaviour and attitudes to learning. They came up with the idea of a "Colours Day" on which the House that has earned the most House points over the term are allowed to wear their House colours on the last day of term.

Today was the deadline for this term and we are pleased to announce that **Sapphire House** are our first winners and so we will ok forward to all members of Sapphire House, proudly wearing something blue, to celebrate their success on **Friday 31st March**. All other children should wear uniform as usual.

Dates for your diary:

Mon 27th March - 'Top & Tails Day'

Weds 29th March - Year 6 Easter Fundraising Event (during school day) and after school cake sale

Thurs 30th March - TEMPO Easter Discos

Fri 31st March - Term Ends (children in school)

Monday 17th April - Term 5 starts (Children return to school)

