



*Give your best, expect success!*

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January

Dear parents and carers,

This has been an exciting week! The snow was quite a distraction earlier in the week and there were some very mixed feelings about it! Some of us were hoping for more, much more, and some of us were hoping it would quickly be gone...we'll be keeping a close eye on the forecast for the next few weeks.

We started the week with a story called "What Do You Do With A Chance?". It was all about not missing out on opportunities when they come our way. We were thinking about how we might miss out because of being a bit afraid or worried we might fail. The book described turning fear into excitement when we face new things so perhaps we'll try that as we look ahead to what the year might bring.



Have a lovely weekend, maybe you will have a chance to try something new, I wonder if you will you take it?

Mrs Lewis



**A miracle occurred in Year 2!** Earlier in the week, a very excited Mrs Wood came running to my office to declare a miracle in Year 2! The children are beginning the Design and Technology project and every single child in the class had managed to thread their own needle - an absolutely unheard of event. Well done to Jaguar Class, you put a big smile on everyone's faces in celebration assembly today!

**Water Bottles:** There are some very large and complicated looking water bottles around at the moment but we would like to request that we keep it simple for school please. We have limited space to store them and, of course, they can go missing. Please bear this in mind when choosing a bottle for school. We sell simple bottles in school for £1. As we also allow the children to have their bottles to promote good health, could we please also remind you that they should only contain water. Thank you.



**SGN Works:** Unfortunately the works just outside our gates have continued this week and we are very grateful that Mr Patey has been on hand to try and help the children to arrive safely. SGN have indicated to us that the works could continue until the 17<sup>th</sup> January, however the hole has now been filled so fingers crossed it could be sooner. Thank you for your ongoing patience in this matter.

**Celebration Assembly:** This week Vinnie and Oscar (2 of our head pupils) chose American Authors song “Best Day of My Life” for our assembly music. They explained that it is all about following your dreams, never giving up and perseverance. They thought it fitted well with our thinking about goals and that it was positive and upbeat. We enjoyed singing along as we left the hall, especially the “Wo-o-o-o-oh, wo-o-o-o-oh” bits!





Certificates this week went to children who had been showing their independence, thinking outside of the box and always giving their best. Perseverance in maths and fabulous writing were also commended and of course, Year 2 shared the honours as a class for their outstanding needlework! A grand total of 16 children achieved their Bronze 40 Book Challenge and enjoyed coming to choose a bookmark - I think I shall have to restock!

**Attendance:**

Temple the Cat has been with Cheetah Class (Year 4) this week. Apparently, Temple found multi-skills hard but Rugby easy. Temple also really enjoyed designing a sling-shot car!

I’m pleased to say that our whole school attendance has reached 95%, so almost at our target, well done to everyone coming to school everyday that they can. Our top 2 attending classes were only separated by 0.1% this week but Tigers (Year 6) just edged it with 96.6% and Temple will be joining them next week.

**This week’s House Points:**

DIAMOND	SAPPHIRE	EMERALD	RUBY
			
75	57	106	115

Well done to Ruby House, that’s two winning weeks this term so far - will they stay ahead?

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

16/01/2024 13.00 Year 4 to visit Abbey Court, followed by a return visit.

23/01/2024 8.55 Year 4 Class Assembly, parents welcome.

08/02/2024 TEMPO Film Night

09/02/2024 Term 3 ends.

19/02/24 Term 4 begins

04/03 - 11/03 Parent Share sessions - dates for each class TBC

12/03 and 13/03/2024 Parent Consultation Evenings (not available to book yet)

13/3 - 19/03/2024 Book Fair in school.

28/03/2024 (Thursday) Term 4 ends

15/03/2024 Term 5 Begins

