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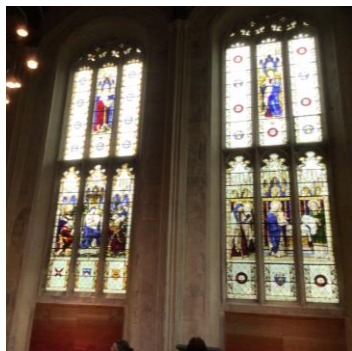
Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have really been focussing on supporting our Year 6 children in their SATs, these are the national assessment tests that all Year 6 children take during the same time. It's been a whole school effort though, as all of the children help us to keep the school quiet and calm and were very patient in waiting for their break times. The Year 6 team appreciated it very much. In our celebration assembly today, Vinnie and Oscar, two of our head pupils, wrote a reflection in appreciation of this and in that reflection, noted the changes ahead for Year 6. Hopefully now they can continue with their learning and preparation for secondary, as well as planning their end of year celebrations! Well done Year 6, we're very proud of you!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Lewis

Reception Class trip to Rochester Cathedral: On Tuesday, Reception



children got the coach to the Rochester. For some children it was their first-time riding on a coach, making it quite an exciting experience. During our visit to Rochester, the children were amazed at how big the inside of the cathedral was.

The children were really interested in learning about the golden eagle bible stand and the beautiful stained-glass windows, each telling different stories.

They walked on very old stairs, over 300 hundred years old, and sung in the special choir area. One child even got dressed up as a Bishop, which was a very special moment for him. "my dream came true because I always wanted to visit the Cathedral."



This visit was a wonderful learning experience for Butterfly Class and they were praised by their tour guide for their excellent behaviour and great listening.

Friday Club: Our Friday Club provision is a free service that we have offered due the changes that were made to our school week some time ago now. It is run using the small number of staff we have available and is now rapidly approaching its full capacity.

Therefore, it is really important that we prioritise places for working parents with no other child care available. We are now not able to offer Friday Club as a drop in unless it is an emergency and so, after next week, the register will be cleared and we will ask you to block book your child for Term 6. If we are oversubscribed, we may need to ask for evidence of your work pattern to ensure places are allocated correctly. Thank you for your co-operation in this.

Artisan Market: Next Thursday, we will be holding our second Artisan Market event. The children have been busy crafting and producing a wonderful collection of gifts, we have everything from bracelets to photo frames and hand sewn items to hand-made soaps! The ice-cream van will also be making an appearance why not pop along for a treat or two. Please come and join us from 2pm on the 23.05.2024. The funds raised will go to the classes for an end of term treat.





Celebration Assembly: There will be big celebrations in some households this weekend as we had 2 sets of siblings who were recognised for their efforts and received Headteacher Awards today - and it was one of the children's birthday too! Writing featured heavily this week as many classes were completing Independent Writing tasks, including river poems and stories about ducks who are afraid of the water!

Two classes appreciated some excellent role models and there were lovely mentions of kindness and helpfulness too.

A whole gang of children came along to sign the Reading Challenges boards and then along to collect their bookmarks, Silver Award winners also collected a reading journal and for the Gold Award winners, there was also a brand new book!

Attendance: I was thrilled today as the whole school attendance has now reached 96%! Lots of classes were over 96% this week but the Top Attenders this week were Lion Class with 97%. Temple the Cat will be joining the class next week.

This week's House Points:

DIAMOND	SAPPHIRE	EMERALD	RUBY
			
38	52	44	35

Well done to Sapphire for winning this week. However, today was also the day to announce which House would be celebrating the term win with a Colours Day. It was a close-run thing with all Houses enjoying a winning week at some point this term, but in the end **EMERALD HOUSE** were the winners!

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

- 20/05/24 - Harry Potter Book Night for years 3-6
- 22/05/24 - Phonics Parents Meeting
- 23/05/24 (pm) - Artisan Market- TEMPO Fundraiser come and browse for handmade treats and gifts!
- 24/05/24 - **EMERALD COLOURS DAY**
- 25.05.24 - Term ends
- 03/06/24 - INSET Day- Children do not attend school
- 04/06/24 - Term 6 Starts for Pupils
- W/B 04/06/24 - Y4 Multiplication Tables Check
- 05/06/24 - Phonics Parents Meeting
- W/B 10/06/24 - Y1 Phonics Screening Check
- 10 & 11 and 12 & 13/06/24 - Y6 Bikeability
- W/B 17/06/24 - Y2 SATS period begins
- 20/06/24 - Sports Day and Family Picnic
- 21/06/24 (am) EYFS Sports Day
- 01/07/24 - INSET DAY children do not attend school
- 7 - 10/07/24 - Y5&6 PGL Trip
- 15/07/24 - Term ends for children in Nursery only
- 19/07/24 Term Ends for rest of school

