



Give your best, expect success!

27-Sep-24

Dear Parents and carers,

What a wet finish to the week! Luckily in school hasn't been as gloomy with lots of excellent learning going on. We were visited by Ms Amos from the Kingsnorth English Hub who enjoyed visiting phonics lessons and looking at our reading corners. We'll be working with them to develop our all of reading opportunities and make it even better. Part if that is having a good re-stock of our reading books and so we are clearing space - more on that below.

This might well be a great weekend for curling up somewhere cosy with a great book, but whatever you get up to, have a great weekend,

Mrs Lewis

A message from Miss Convey: We are rehoming our old reading books!

We now have some new reading books that match our phonics scheme, therefore we are rehoming our old reading books. Boxes of books are available for browsing in the Reception area, we'll put them outside if we get drier weather! Please look through and take what you would like. Although these books are no longer needed in school, they are still great for you to practice reading with at home. They do not need to be returned. We would really appreciate a small donation in the pot so that we can continue to raise money to develop reading in our school. Thank you!



Butterfly Class autumn walk: Despite the rain, Butterfly Class went on an outdoor adventure to the school field, where the children explored the first signs of autumn! There was lots of discussion about the different types of leaves and trees. We also talked about the changes between seasons and identified key signs of autumn.



It's that time again...



Welcome to Year 6 'Come Dine with Me'. This week pupils made their starter which had to include the red pepper. We had peppers stuffed with mozzarella and pepperoni and red pepper pitta pizzas. The children then scored the meals on appearance, taste and the use of the key ingredient. The results are anonymous and the winners will be shared at the end of the term.



Dress for the Weather! We were astonished by the number of children who arrived at school with no coats on today! Please ensure that your child has a coat with them everyday as we like the children to go out to play every day for and if we have coats, it means a bit of drizzle won't stop us!



We do have a small number of coats that have been donated to our Pre-Loved uniform stock if that helps, please find the rail just inside the entrance area.

Census Day Lunch: Next Thursday is Census Day in school. This is the day when many elements of school life and community are recorded in a snapshot of our school. It is a very important day as the data feeds into school funding. Particularly in regards to school meals. This is why we encourage everyone to have a school dinner on that day and our caterers are planning a fun Halloween themed menu, decorations and even a prize competition! To help boost our figures, all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be ordered a meal that day as part of the Universal Free School Meal offer (you can always provide a packed lunch for "back up" in case they don't like it) and we will do the same for all children eligible for Free School Meals. The special menu will of course be available to all those wanting a school meal that day.







If you are in receipt of Universal Credit and/or other benefits, you may be eligible for free school meals. This may also unlock other benefits to your child, for example support with school trips. Use this link to find out more: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

Celebration Assembly: Another good range of certificates were awarded today. Taking on individual challenges, top quality writing and super science were amongst the achievements recognised today. I was particularly impressed with one child's work in art; he had not settled for a "good" piece of work, stated very firmly that he could do better and he did! Well done to all of our winners this week.

It was lovely to have the new Head Pupils' first reflection to end our assembly today, it was just right for the week.

Attendance: this week's whole school attendance is 96% - on target so that is encouraging. Three classes tied for Top Attenders this week: Year 1, Year 2 and Year 5! Well done to those classes.

This week's House Points:

DIAMOND	SAPPHIRE	EMERALD	RUBY
			
78	102	108	83

Well done to Emerald House!

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

- 03/10/24 – Census day
- 10/10/24 – World Mental Health Day
- 11/10/24 – Harvest Event
- 17/10/24 – TEMPO Film night
- 18/10/24 – End of Term 1

Yours sincerely



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Mrs L Lewis
Principal

