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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you all had a good Easter break which also included a small step towards the return to 'normal' with the gradual easing of restrictions. There is reason for cautious optimism but with emphasis on the word 'cautious' – the summer term is normally one where we have a great many events and we are hoping that many of these can still go ahead but there will be some restrictions still in place.

### COVID Protocols

Whilst restrictions are being eased across the country, there is still a great deal of anxiety and we need to ensure that we're doing everything we can to protect our community. Whilst we're not enforcing masks on school premises, this is something we would recommend due to the fact that it is not possible to keep a social distance. Can I also ask that parents consider keeping to the left as you enter and leave the school premises in order to avoid crossing face-to-face.

### Relationships, Health & Sex Education Policy

Apologies for the delay in getting the responses from the consultation to you – these will be with you next week.

### School Dinners

Our booking rate for school dinners is now at 98% with only five people not booked for Friday. Thank you all for your support in this. You can book week-by-week or for the whole term if you wish!

### Year 5 Parent Meeting – PESE & Kent Test

On Wednesday, I held a parent meeting on Zoom for our Year 5 parents. We had quite high attendance but if you did miss this or would like to watch this again. The video and a copy of the presentation can found on our school website:

### [Transition in Secondary School](#)

### A Time to Reflect

This week, in our Collective Worship, the children have been revisiting and discussing stories around the resurrection of Jesus. The first thing that Jesus said to his disciples was 'peace be with you' and we discussed the joy that the disciples must have felt when Jesus appeared to them.

Rev. Estella came in to lead worship on Tuesday and shared the story of Jesus appearing to his disciples on the beach and later in the week, the children reflected upon the mission that Jesus gave his disciples – to carry on the work that he had started.

Today we reflected upon how we can individually do this by demonstrating God's love through our Christian Values.



*Don't ever forget kindness and truth. Wear them like a necklace. Write them on your heart as if on a tablet*

**Proverbs 3:3**

We ended our worship by listening to Watoto Children's Choir from Kampala, Uganda singing 'We Will Go' whilst reflecting on this. How could you be God's hands and feet? How could you shine your love out? What do you think this looks like in reality?



Wishing you all a good weekend.

*James Tibbles*

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## Celebration

### Star Pupils

Each Friday, we celebrate children who have impressed the adults in school either through their learning or demonstrating one of our Christian values.

☆ <b>Arbin R (RAM)</b> for his kind and helpful nature this week and his amazing phonics learning. <i>Miss Maw</i>	☆ <b>Finnley B (4ST)</b> for service to learning by participating in class discussions. <i>Mrs Saint</i>
☆ <b>Gabriel M (REC)</b> for an excellent start to his time at Bridge School. <i>Miss Cowley</i>	☆ <b>James M (4JH)</b> for working hard in all lessons and showing compassion to others. <i>Miss Briggs</i>
☆ <b>Joel D (1CS)</b> for always trying his best and giving everything a go and being an all-round super star! <i>Mrs Cork</i>	☆ <b>Beatrice V (4JH)</b> for producing a superb piece of writing and engaging with our class book with great enthusiasm. <i>Mr Harris</i>
☆ <b>Benny Y (1LA)</b> for his positive attitude to all his learning. <i>Miss Andrews</i>	☆ <b>Robert R (5JP)</b> for his excellent attitude towards learning and his effort in developing his independence throughout last term and continuing into this term. Well done and keep this up! <i>Mr Perfect</i>
☆ <b>Sophie L (2FP)</b> for showing compassion by being a kind and cheerful friend to Clara who has joined our class. <i>Mrs Franks</i>	☆ <b>Lucy N (5JS)</b> for an extremely positive attitude towards learning and for always accepting feedback which she uses as a means to improve. Lucy, you are a delight to have in the classroom! Well done. <i>Miss J Smith</i>
☆ <b>Eleanor D (2GD)</b> for having trust in her ability to create a simple code on the computer and helping others with creating theirs. <i>Mrs Dennett</i>	☆ <b>Amina A (6NA)</b> for having belief in herself and excelling at rounders. <i>Mr Taylor</i>
☆ <b>Elsa H (3SA)</b> for her continuous motivation and positivity in all aspects of her learning. Well done! <i>Mrs Amelia</i>	☆ <b>Annie R (6MB)</b> for her excellent observational drawing of a sheep skull. For her perseverance and positive attitude during her art lesson. <i>Mrs C Smith</i>
☆ <b>Eldon B (3SA)</b> for showing amazing enthusiasm and sharing his excellent facts during History and Science. <i>Mrs Holdaway</i>	☆ <b>Leon A-S (6MB)</b> for displaying a positive attitude towards his learning all week and for being organised in all lessons. <i>Mr Beard</i>
☆ <b>Logan T-B (3HA)</b> for his excellent listening skills during Rocks Day and showing kindness and consideration for others. Well done Logan! <i>Miss Allison</i>	
☆ <b>Dominic G (4ST)</b> for service to 4ST helping other with coding in the computing lesson. <i>Mrs Tomsett</i>	

### Million Word Readers

Eight new children have joined our 'Million Word Reader Hall of Fame' and been awarded with the much-coveted gold badge as well as a £10 book voucher. Miss Allison will be photographing all our Million Word Readers on Monday to be displayed in school.



Year 6	Year 5	Year 4	Year 3
Tanaka M ☆	Christina ☆☆☆☆	Poppy W ☆	
Soheil H ☆	Milo D ☆☆☆		
Anjika D ☆	Euan B ☆☆☆		
Theo T ☆	Ali G ☆		
	Sophia W ☆		
	Robyn B ☆		

## Upcoming Events

**CALENDAR >**

All dates and events can be found on our school calendar.

You are also able to 'subscribe' to the calendar (there is a link underneath the calendar) which means that you can have the school calendar on your phone or tablet and any updates will automatically appear on your device!

<b>Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April</b>	
<b>Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> April</b>	
<b>Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> April</b>	
<b>Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> April</b>	1pm: Gloria Barnett (Author) visiting Year 6
<b>Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April</b>	

<b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May</b> <b>BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY</b>	
<b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Year 5 PESE/Kent Test Consultations
<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Year 5 PESE/Kent Test Consultations      Year R: Paint Party
<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> May</b>	
<b>Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May</b>	

<b>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May</b>	
<b>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> May</b>	
<b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> May</b>	
<b>Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> May</b>	
<b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May</b>	9am: GB Meeting (Finance & Personnel)

<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May</b>	
<b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> May</b>	
<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May</b>	
<b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> May</b>	
<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May</b>	Year R: Ugly Bug Ball