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Friday 5th November 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

It's been a busy start to Term 2 with lots of exciting things happening. At the end of last term, during one of our staff development days, our teaching staff helped Mrs Pearman with setting up the Forest School area at the top of the school field. Whilst we are still waiting for more resources to be added, it's been fantastic to welcome Reception and Year 1 children up there this week. I have seen lots of smiling faces (from both staff and children) and I am sure, as the site develops, the children will enjoy their experiences more and more. This week, Year 5 also had a 'Journey in to Space' on Wednesday to help blast off their topic learning this term. You can see blogs on these events, as well as some fantastic art projects, at the end of the newsletter.

Shelter Fundraising

It was lovely to see Seren, Pihu and Sophia come to our office on Tuesday to explain how they have been raising money for the charity Shelter. Instead of me trying to summarise their achievements I will share what Seren wrote:

On Monday the 25th of October, I was doing a fundraising sale of Halloween decorations for the charity Shelter. This charity helps homeless and people who are struggling with their own homes.

I was very excited! I started my decoration making in the middle of September, to the middle of October! And I was lucky enough to have classmates excited to help. For example: Sacha made ghosts and smaller décor, Phoebe made a beautiful banner, Ivy made bookmarks, Lily made bracelets, Pihu made some amazing hats and fortune



tellers and Sophia made great haunted house signs and helped with everything! But 2 particular people helped me sell and those 2 people were Pihu and Sophia! I couldn't wait for them to come!

Our first customer was Jaxx and Rachel and slowly more and more customers came! The cupcakes were very popular and they were soon sold out. They were iced with either orange & black or green with lots of sprinkles! There were also white chocolate & raspberry mummies and iced shortbread pumpkins. At home I also made flying bats and more haunted house signs, lots of friends came and gave generous donations.

So, at the very end of the day from our sales, we ended up raising £63.88, then on Wednesday it grew to be £80.88, Thursday £93.88 and on Friday £117.08! I am very thankful for all your help and kindness supporting me. You are great school friends!

Seren Year 4











NSPCC and Children In Need

From one set of philanthropists to another. This week, Mr Tibbles was also visited by some Year 4 children. Over the last few months Ivy, Lily and William have been planning a way to raise some money for the NSPCC.



Competition

Lily has been busy making a very beautiful bag which we are going to fill with different goodies and stationery to go to the winner of a very special competition.

Ivy, Lily and William would like the pupils of Bridge Primary School to design a poster or picture that highlights this year's NSPCC assembly theme of Staying Safe (also incorporating the charities' colour green into the design too). We will be having class NSPCC assemblies on Monday 15th November for the whole school. We will be discussing how to be safe and the children will be told about the competition (which runs until Friday 19th November).

Dressing Up

To help raise money for the charity, on Friday 19th November, we would like children to bring in a donation and wear whatever they would like around the theme 'green'. The money raised from the day will be shared equally between the NSPCC and Children In Need.

Book Fair

The scholastic book fair arrives in school next week. Parents and children will be able to visit it to purchase books from Thursday 10^{th} to Tuesday 16^{th} November. We will have two slots where children can purchase books, from 8.30 - 8.50 in the morning and from 3.20 - 3.45 in the afternoon. You can access the book fair through the Bridge Bees entrance. The children, as a class, will also be visiting the book fair at a time slot during the week to see what is on offer.

Act of Remembrance

On Thursday 11th November, the school will be holding different Acts of Remembrance at 11am. Year 6 will be walking to Patrixbourne Church, where they will be met by Revd. Estella who will lead a service. Children are able to purchase poppy memorabilia until the end of Wednesday.



Bridge Bees (After-school club)

Just a quick reminder that bookings for the Bridge Bees after school club should be made through Hannah Evans in the office. You can email her directly to book hannah.evans@bridge.kent.sch.uk.

Messy Church

Our next Messy church date is Saturday 13th November. All our families are invited from 4pm to 5.30pm in the school hall. There will be craft activities, drinks and snacks followed by a short worship led by Revd. Estella.

All the best

Michael Taylor

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.

- Oscar S (1CS) for an excellent attitude in phonics.
 Mrs M Smith
- ☆ Jaxson H (1LA) for his excellent enthusiasm at Forest school this week. Miss Andrews
- ★ Kayden P (2FP) for focusing so hard on his learning all week. Mrs Franks
- Arianna S (2GD) for her excellent contributions in English this week resulting in an imaginative descriptive firework poem. Mrs Dennett
- ☆ Dexter B (3JA) for his excellent creative writing around the Two Trees video. Mr Ablett
- ☆ Scarlett O (3SA) for her consistent effort in all of her learning and for resilience when tackling column addition and subtraction. Mrs Amelia
- Andrew C (4JH) for playing exceptional rugby this week and working hard. *Mr Harris*

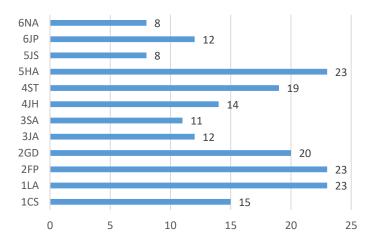
- ☆ Lily T (4ST) for brilliant reading (a book in a day!)
 and quizzing getting 100%. Mrs Moon
- ★ Ted P-C (4ST) for his creative thinking in both RE and English Mrs Tomsett
- ☆ Elliot R (5HA) for always putting 100% into everything he does. Your efforts are recognised Elliot keep up the hard work! Miss Allison
- ★ Tom A (5JS) for being a true team player in Netball ensuring all his team was included and for always supporting his peers in class. Miss J Smith
- ☆ Ethan P (6NA) for an excellent attitude towards his learning and showing excellent enthusiasm in class.
 Mrs Allen
- ☆ Florence L (6JP) for generating some excellent complex sentences in English this week based around evacuation in World War 2. Very well done! Mr Perfect



Buster Book Club

This week, as part of our Buster Book Club, we are celebrating not just the total number of minutes read but also the number of children who have read in each class.

Well done to 1LA, 2FP and 5HA who were the classes with the greatest number of children who had read. As there was a tie, the overall winner was decided on who read the most minute. The winning class, with 722 minutes read, was 5HA.



Latest Blog Posts

Highlights from the week's selection of blog posts.





Year R Mark Making

Over the last three weeks, Year R have been experimenting with mark-making. They have been dipping objects and tools into poster paint and moving them around their A3 page to make a variety of marks on their paper.

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Year 3 Abstract Art

Year three's term 1 art project celebrates the Folkestone Art Triennial and is inspired by the work of Ghanaian-born artist Atta Kwami who sadly died last month, age 65.

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Year 1 Autumn Leaves

Year one pupils have been making their own autumnal leaves from their mark-making work produced earlier in the term. During their country walk, Year 1 pupils collected large autumnal leaves.

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Year 5 Dance

Year 5 have been learning a dance linked to our focus text The Lost Thing. The children have worked really hard developing their sequencing of movements and have completed a final performance to share with you all!

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3rd November 2021



Year 5 Science Day

On Wednesday Year 5 were transformed into: planets, rockets, moon buggies, stars, the sun and so much more.

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4th November 2021



Forest School for Year 1

During Forest School this week the Year 1 children started to learn about our new Forest School area, the opportunities available to them and the rules that they will need to follow to keep safe while they explore.

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Upcoming Events

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

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!

Monday 8 th November			
Tuesday 9 th November			
Wednesday 10 th November			
Thursday 11 th November	Book Fair in	11am: Remembrance Services	
Friday 12 th November	Book Fair in	PTA Quiz Night (evening)	4pm: Messy Church on Saturday

Monday 15 th November	Book Fair in	NSPCC Stay Safe Assembly
Tuesday 16 th November	Book Fair in	Basketball Competition
Wednesday 17 th November	3JA Trip to Maidstone Museum	
Thursday 18 th November	3SA Trip to Maidstone Museum	
Friday 19 th November	Children in Need – Wear Green	

Monday 22 nd November		
Tuesday 23 rd November		
Wednesday 24 th November	Flu Vaccines	Sportshall Athletics Competition (Year 3 & 4)
Thursday 25 th November		
Friday 26 th November	Year 4 Mayan Workshop	

Monday 29 th November	
Tuesday 30 th November	Speed Stacking Competition
Wednesday 1st December	
Thursday 2 nd December	Salvation Army Christmas Concert
Friday 3 rd December	