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Dear Parents and Carers,

Another busy week. Here are the highlights:

- It is the sad truth for children in today's education system that we must spend more time assessing them than we do teaching them (or 'more time weighing the pig than feeding it!' as my father used to say!) And this week is Test week when we do some of our 'weighing'! There's been a tense and solemn hush around the building...until the afternoons when the tension dissipates and the children brighten the halls once more with all the morning's suppressed energy and exuberance.
- With Christmas getting ever nearer, we're all mindful that our expectations of presents and groaning tables of food are not shared by everyone in this nation or on this earth and we encourage our children to be thinking of those less fortunate than ourselves at this time in particular. Jude (1B) has been doing just that and has been shopping for things he felt a boy of his own age might like to receive as a present. He then packed the items in a shoe-box and drew a picture for the recipient including a picture of himself and his sister. Jude dropped his donations off at the Samaritans Centre in Hutton and he was really proud to be doing his part to help others less fortunate than himself. Well done, Jude. We're proud of **you** too!
- This week, we geared ourselves up to take part in the Y3 & 4 football competition only for it to be rained off! I thought footballers played in **any** weather but apparently high winds, bitter cold and torrential rain is where the line is drawn!! Let's hope it will be rescheduled - we had a lot of sad faces wandering around the school on Wednesday (and that was mostly Mr Charlee!)
- Extra flu-vaccinations were doled out this week so let's hope that's a little protection for all of us.
- A big shout out to Emily-Rose (5A) who is to be highly commended for her quick thinking a few weeks ago when her friend began to choke on a crisp at play-time and Emily was able to prevent a full-blown attack of choking by patting her on the back until she coughed up the offending food. Well done, Emily - we are very proud of you.





- Mr Fonseca came in on Thursday to give some class demonstrations of his STEM club projects to KS2 this week. The projects were really fascinating and children were interested in finding out more. He has decided to run another club after Christmas for Years 2 to 6 making rockets, robots and windmills among other equally intriguing projects so do head over to their website to book your place while there are still places available.
- And finally, our new KS1 Library was opened yesterday. We've been working really hard to create a cosy reading area that will invite our young readers inside to share magical and adventurous tales with their friends and we think we've met the brief! We still have a few bits and pieces to add but our 'Forest Friends Story Den' is now open for business! See the pictures below for a whimsical trip through a magical woodland book nook. The children love it and will be choosing books from there to bring home to read together with you.
- And that's the week done! It just remains for me to wish you a very happy weekend and I leave you with this thought:

**"Reading gives us someplace to go
when we have to stay where we are."**

With kind regards and best wishes,

Mrs. Searle



Stars of the Week



R1 Mason	4A Lenny
R2 Harper	4B Finn
1A Amayah	5A Eadie
1B Gracie	5B Irhaa
2A Vadim	5C Polly
2B Fletcher	6A Ali
3A Aaron	6B Savelly
3B Deivid	

Kindness Award

R1 Mikaeel	4A Ali
R2 Micah	4B Chloe
1A Adrian	5A Emily
1B Mabel	5B Sonia
2A Mannat	5C Jacob
2B Sofia	6A Daniel CJ
3A Ella	6B Josh
3B Ruby	



Congratulations to

Jessica 5A
Rhea 5C



on earning your 50 points to choose a book from our vending machine. Well done!

Achiever Badges

Congratulation to

Tilly-Rae 1A	Nate 3A
Vadim 2A	Murtajiz 4A
Parker 2A	Jibreel 5B
Vivaan 3A	Jessica 5C

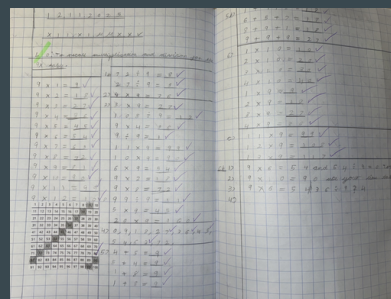


for reaching gold 5 times and earning an achiever badge. Well done!

Reaching gold this week

Zahra R1	Vadim 2A	Layla 4A	Zoey 5C
Yunus R1	Parker 2A	Dalia 4A	Joshua 5C
Thomas R1	Musa 2A	Laura 4A	Jessica 5C
Cooper R1	Darius 2A	Aarshy 4A	Jacob 5C
Jax R1	Aidan 2B	Nate 4A	Alex 6A
Lottie R1	Bella 2B	Murtajiz 4A	Logan 6A
Mariam R1	Tasnim 2B	Elliot 4A	Sanuka 6A
Oonagh R1	Siyana 2B	Elizabeth 4A	Yatniel 6A
Isaiah R2	Danielius 2B	Kevin 4A	Rayquan 6B
Jacob R2	Ameer 2B	Lorin 4B	Adelaide 6B
Oliver R2	Mussab 3A	Brian 4B	Taha 6B
Imaani R2	Affan 3A	Serena 4B	Wendell 6B
Stanley R2	Vivaan 3A	Nala 4B	
Freddie R2	Dion 3A	Milesa 4B	
Harper R2	Rohan 3A	Alice 4B	
Greyson R2	Ella 3A	Finn 4B	
Ameila Rose 1A	Nate 3A	Mithran 4B	
Lennox 1A	Alice 3A	Toby 4B	
Aleena 1A	Kamilija 3B	Aria 4B	
Franco 1A	Maia 3B	Rebecca 4B	
Lenny 1A	Binuli 3B	Harvey 5A	
Eliza 1A	Isobel 3B	Dima 5A	
Tilly 1A	Evani 3B	Jake 5A	
Adam 1A	Alice 3B	Seth 5A	
Tafeef 1A	Leandro 3B	Jibreel 5B	
Nimi 1B	Charlie 3B	Promesse 5B	
Dawud 1B	Francesca 3B	Kevin 5B	
Ishmael 1B	Aisha 4A	Vivien 5B	
Jude 1B	India 4A	Rhea 5C	

Presentation Award



Haakil in 4B



Golden Welly Award

The award for great OPAL
play this week goes to:



Joshua in 1B
Nadiia in 5C

Well done!



Autumn Term Dates

- Monday 24th November - Stay and Learn week
- Friday 28th November - PTA bring chocolate non-uniform day
- Thursday 4th December - Reindeer Run
- Friday 5th December - Whole school trip to the panto @ Queen's Theatre
- Monday 8th December - Year 2 Christmas Concert @ 9:15 and Year 1 Christmas Concert @ 2:30
- Tuesday 9th December - EYFS Christmas Concert @ 9:15 and Year 2 Christmas Concert @ 2:30
- Wednesday 10th December - Year 1 Christmas Concert @ 9:15 and EYFS Christmas Concert @ 2:30
- Thursday 11th December - NSPCC Christmas Jumper day and Christmas dinner
- Friday 12th December - PTA Christmas Bazaar after school (3:30)
- Monday 15th December - Christmas Piano Music assembly @ 2:15
- Wednesday 17th December - PTA Breakfast with Santa
- Thursday 18th December - Choir singing in Romford Town Centre @ 1:00 pm
- Friday 19th December - Holy Cross Church and break up at 1:30 pm

