



Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Topic – Art Attack!

Value of the Term – Aspiration

### Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a shorter week in school but a fun week as we have watched the ducklings hatch and grow, they have a new cage and we are pleased to be able to keep them at Mountford Manor so the children can continue to watch them grow into bigger ducks. They have brought a lot of oracy and learning opportunities in and out of the classroom this week and many smiles to children and adult faces!



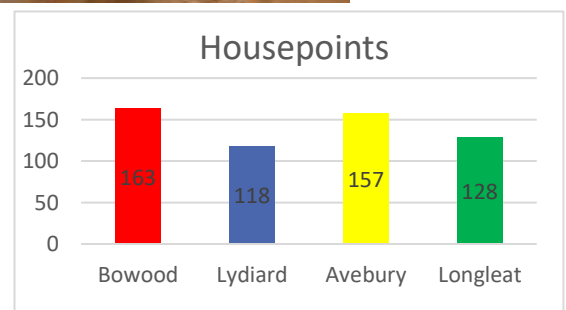
The Year 6 children have been working so hard with their final preparations for SATs next week, we are all so proud of them for their efforts, resilience and attitude towards these tests. We know that you will also be proud of them. The hard work is now complete, next week is a time to shine and show all that they have learnt in readiness for their next phase of education.

The teachers found it hard to choose again who to celebrate in assembly, but we celebrated these children today for achieving the certificate of excellence or the values award:



Our attendance winners this week are Reception, with an exceptional 100%, well done Reception, you are leading the way for the whole school!

These children have achieved their 50 read prize and have chosen their own book from the vending machine: Zayaan in Reception, Oscar, Ivan, Emelia and Ava in Year 1, Abner and Kaiden in Year 2 and Millie in Year 4.



Our housepoint winners of the week, as shown in the graph, are Bowood.

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Did you know that May is National Walking month? Let's have a school challenge to see which class can walk the most steps..... can you leave your car at home and walk to school? Can you park further away from your destination and walk the rest of the journey? Not only is walking good for your physical health, it is also very good for your mental health too. Make every step count.....

Please can you ensure your child comes to school with a sun hat and a named water bottle every day whilst we have warmer weather as they will be using the outdoor environment for play and learning at all times. Please apply sun cream in the morning as you feel appropriate. Thank you.

Wishing you a lovely, sunny weekend.

With best wishes,  
**Mrs Helen Wollington**  
Headteacher

Upcoming diary dates:

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May  
Year 6 SATs

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May – no swimming for Yr4

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May  
Year 6 Residential to Hill End

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Thrilling Thursday  
8:40am Early Years 2pm Years 1-6

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – End of Term 5

**UNIFORM REMINDERS**

**Forest School days**

Children should come to school in school uniform. They should bring with them a change of clothes for going into the forest including warm and waterproof clothing and old trainers or wellies.

Red polo shirt  
Navy blue jumper or Cardigan. Black or grey trousers, skirt or pinafore dress. Black shoes or trainers



**PE days**

Children can come to school in their PE kit on PE days. Plain coloured t-shirt (no football tops) of their house colour. Dark shorts or tracksuit bottoms and trainers.

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## Health impacts of food insecurity in B&NES, Swindon and Wiltshire

Have you ever not had enough money  
to buy food?

Do you think this affects people's health? How?

Help us find ways food services can be improved  
to better support people.

### Complete our survey

- Scan the QR code, or
- Go to: [www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/Z0TDXP/](http://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/Z0TDXP/)



### Who are Healthwatch?

Healthwatch is the independent voice of the patient. We listen to the views and experiences of people using health and social care services to help improve them.

We want to hear your experiences of not having the money to eat the food you need. Let your voice be heard.



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