

HEADTEACHER HIGHLIGHTS



Friday 15th October 2021

TAG RUGBY SUCCESS!

We had a lovely email from the Community Larder saying thank you for the two car loads of donations. Their stock levels were getting very low, so our donations came at just the right time!

On Tuesday, it was my birthday and I was invited to the hall and had a lovely surprise party with Ducklings and Goslings! The children had decorated some biscuits and we played some party games. I wasn't expecting to be dancing at 10am, but that is the joy of working in a primary school!

Mrs Hookway was in her element on Wednesday as she was finally able to take a team to a competition. Our Y5/6 Tag Rugby team played four games at the tournament. They beat The Wells School, Bidborough and Lamberhurst and drew with Clarendon. This meant that they were the winners of their group! Well done everyone, we are SO proud of you!

We have been informed this week that vouchers will be issued to those families who receive benefits related free school meals. More information can be found at

<https://kccmediahub.net/food-vouchers-for-children-entitled-to-free-school-meals-this-october-half-term745>

Mrs Lewis will be in touch about this next week.

Mrs Roberts, a Teaching Assistant in Y6, is leaving us today to start her maternity leave. We look forward to seeing a photo of her new baby when it arrives, and will be welcoming Mrs Roberts back in the summer term.

NEXT WEEK

The school photographer will be in school next Wednesday taking individual and sibling photos, so please ensure everyone is looking very smart! For those classes that have PE on Wednesday, please come in uniform and bring PE kits.

We are still collecting for the Christmas Shoebox Appeal organised by the Rotary Club. These will be set to children in Romania and Ukraine. If you would like to donate any items, please send them in by Friday 22nd October:

Our Open Afternoons for the September 2022 intake have now been organised. They will take place on 21st Oct, 2nd, 15th and 23rd November. Places must be booked in advance by calling the office.

Just to remind you that after half term, we shall be changing to winter uniform. So wearing ties and shirts rather than polo shirts and summer dresses. On PE days, pupils can wear black or green joggers.

**TERM 1 ENDS NEXT FRIDAY 22nd
OCTOBER**



FULFILLING GOD-GIVEN POTENTIAL



This is a quick round up of what has been happening in each year group this week. You can see what the staff have got to say about the pupils across the School.



School News

YR	We have started our daily phonics sessions and we have learnt the phonemes s,a,t and p. The children have practised holding their pencil correctly and trying to write the sounds in their new books. We have really appreciated the support at home from parents helping the children to practise using the special sheets.
Y1	Our learning has been linked to Cinderella this week. We have written our phonics words on real pumpkins, measured our shoes using cubes and designed new outfits for Cinderella and Prince Charming. In maths we have begun to learn about part-whole models and the addition symbol.
Y2	We have been writing newspaper reports about the Lonely Beast arriving in the city. We had to tell people what happened, how the people reacted and why the Beast had arrived. We also designed and made a friend for the Beast so he could stop being lonely. In Geography, we learnt about physical and human geography and drew examples of each.
Y3	Y3 have continued to learn about the rainforest through our text, 'Buddy's dramatic rescue'. We used leaves to make prints in Art and took on the role of reporters in Literacy as we learnt how to write a newspaper report based on Buddy's dramatic rescue.
Y4	Y4 have written some super instructions for Sea Monkeys this week and had fun learning how to use Roman Numerals in Maths. We really enjoyed drawing detailed invertebrates.
Y5	Y5 have had a creative week, being inspired by the colour and the pattern of dragons used in Chinese New Year celebrations. In DT, they studied the features of the Dyson vacuum cleaner and various jar openers to help them create their own travel solutions. Excellent progress has been made in their writing as they re-told Phileas Fogg's journey.
Y6	The Y6 pupils have been making periscopes to further their understanding of reflection. See if they can explain how a periscope works to you! They have developed their artistic understanding of colouring and transferring an image from one surface to another. In Geography, they have extended their knowledge of grid references to six figures.

WHEN TO WEAR PE KITS TO SCHOOL.

MONDAYS

5S
5D

TUESDAYS

Owls
Robins
6W
6H

WEDNESDAY

Photographer in so please wear uniform to school and bring PE kit.

THURSDAYS

3TWP
4R
4M
Kookaburras

Lorikeets

FRIDAYS

Ducklings
Goslings
4M/4R
Owls
Robins

FOREST SCHOOL NEXT WEEK

3DB