

# HEADTEACHER HIGHLIGHTS



FRIDAY 16<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2022

## HISTORICAL TIMES.

This week marks a time in history that we shall all remember for years to come. We have been remembering Queen Elizabeth, both in class and in our Acts of Worship. We have been thinking of the qualities that she demonstrated and we shall continue to think about this next week, following her funeral. Perhaps spend some time with your child talking about this over the weekend? There are books of condolence at various locations in Kent, however, as an alternative to travelling to a specific location to sign one of these, anyone can make a contribution to the virtual book that can be found here <https://www.royal.uk/>

Our new entrants in Ducklings and Goslings have continued to settle in really well, getting used to the school routines. The fish and chips at lunchtime today went down well, in more ways than one! We look forward to them staying full time from Tuesday onwards.

As you will see from the Class Stories on Dojo, the children have started reading class texts that their learning across the curriculum is linked to. It is really important that children are reading at home too. Each child has a Reading Diary and we ask that you support your child by reading with them, or hearing them read to you regularly. Research shows that this enables children to progress more during their school career. Each class has a slot in our wonderful library each week to inspire the children to read. For more information and ideas to support your child's reading, please go to <https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/tips-and-advice/reading-tips/>

## NEXT WEEK

As you are aware, **school will be closed on Monday** as it is the funeral of Queen Elizabeth II. We shall be creating a floral garden in the hall to commemorate this momentous time in history.

On Tuesday, the school photographer will be taking individual and sibling photos.

**Everyone needs to be looking smart and tidy. Y1 children need to wear their uniform into school and bring their PE kit with them. Y6 need to come into school in their PE kit and bring their school uniform in to change into.**

The children and staff in Y5 are excited about the Astrodome visit on Thursday. This will be a wonderful experience to enhance their learning about Space. Please send in your £2 next week, if you haven't done so already.

School Crossing Patrol Vacancy link:

<https://recruitmenthub.solutions/members/modules/job/detail.php?record=6160>

**TERM 1 ENDS FRIDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER**

## Final Journey



**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

<b>YR</b>	We have had a good week continuing to get to know the children and their families. The children are settling into the school routine. Lunch went well today and we look forward to the children being in school full time from Tuesday.
<b>Y1</b>	This week Y1 have had a mysterious egg delivered! We have discussed what could be inside it and have built a nest for the egg so that we can take care of it. We have also looking at different ways of sorting objects in our Maths lessons.
<b>Y2</b>	Y2 found it really interesting to learn all about the different continents in the world and learnt a song to help us to remember them! In Literacy, we have been imagining what 'The Lonely Beast' might be thinking and feeling. We created freeze frames to act this out. We enjoyed our first visit of the year to the ICT Suite, learning how to use Microsoft Word.
<b>Y3</b>	Y3 have persevered with learning their place value to 1000 this week. They have been reading and enjoying poetry and had a go at using adjectives, nouns and verbs to write their own poem. In Art, we used charcoal to press an image of a tree onto cartridge paper, and we are looking forward to printing using ink.
<b>Y4</b>	4VC had a wonderful time at their first swimming lesson and are really looking forward to going again. In Literacy, we are studying the characters in our class book. We have been exploring mountain ranges and physical and human features in Geography.
<b>Y5</b>	We have continued practising our sea shanties in Music, with Rio Grande being this week's focus to help us study features of the genre. In Science, we learnt how to explain what causes the different phases of the moon and how it orbits the Earth. In Computing, we have started coding using the program 'Scratch.'
<b>Y6</b>	Y6 have been writing a letter to Papa, a character in our book 'The Matchbox Diary.' He has had to leave Italy and go to America to find work. With Mr Tibbits-Williams, we have learnt how to draw cuboids using 2 point perspective. A big well done to the children who applied for the House Captain role. They delivered their speeches to the children in their House, then the children voted. It was democracy in action in Y6!

## WHEN TO WEAR PE KITS TO SCHOOL.

### MONDAY

**SCHOOL CLOSED**

### TUESDAY

Owls  
Robins  
6W  
6H

### WEDNESDAY

3TWB  
3DB  
4VC  
4R  
6H  
6W

### THURSDAY

3TWB  
3DB  
Owls  
Robins

### FRIDAY

Ducklings  
Goslings  
Lorikeets  
Kookaburras

## FOREST SCHOOL NEXT WEEK

**3DB**