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Worship Theme

We have revisited our school values this week and have considered the role we all have in ensuring our environment is kept clean and tidy. We discussed what it means to be responsible for the environment and, as George said in our worship on Monday, “If we all clear up after ourselves, we won’t have to worry about the mess.” Absolutely, George!



Forest School

On Thursday 5th February, Maple Class (Year 5, Miss Bradley) will be taking part in Forest School.



A message from Miss Harris

It was lovely to welcome our School Improvement Advisor into school this week – she works on behalf of KCC and her role is to support our school. She has been good to work with over the past 18 months and has got to know us well. When she visited this week, among many other things, she was very impressed with how well behaved and engaged the children were in their learning. She spoke to lots of children who could tell her about their learning and how the information in the lesson and around the room helped them to make progress and they were enthusiastic about what they were doing. She talked about how confidently the children spoke.

I would like to thank the staff team for their exceptional hard work in continuing to develop so many aspects of the school.



New improvements - playground markings



The children are loving our new playground markings on the Early Years and Infant playgrounds. The excitement on Monday morning when the children went out to break was wonderful to see – they were jumping around the hundred square, hopping and skipping around the exercise track and dancing on the ‘mirror me’. Willow class enjoyed counting up and down the caterpillar and naming the shapes.



Attendance Ted

Here's this week's attendance data – there is quite a big drop this week. Let's keep working to improve it!

Year R Willow 86%		
Year 1/2 Ash 94%	Year 1/2 Birch 97%	Year 1/2 Elm 87%
Year 3/4 Chestnut 90%	Year 3/4 Hazel 97%	Year 3/4 Pine 88%
Year 5 Maple 95%	Year 5 Sycamore 90%	
Year 6 Oak 89%	Year 6 Yew 91%	



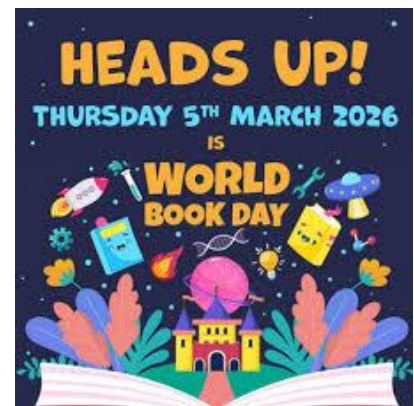
Reminder for Year 4 Parents / Carers!

This coming Wednesday we are hosting a parent meeting about the Multiplication Times Table Check that Year 4 children will be completing in the summer. We will take you through what the children will be doing and also how we are supporting them to prepare for it... as well as sharing some hints and tips for you to support them at home! We look forward to seeing you then.



Some advance notice – World Book Day!

World Book Day is on Thursday 5th March and, to celebrate children's engagement with literature, we will be inviting the children to dress up as a book character – they can then tell us about their character and the book. We thought you would like lots of warning so you can begin thinking about what your child can dress up in – and to bring together items you have at home to create costumes!



Dates for your Diary

Below are key dates for your diary (new events are coloured green):

Term 3:

- Wednesday 4th February – Meeting for Year 4 parents about the Multiplication Timetables Check
- Tuesday 10th February – Chestnut Class trip to a farm
- Tuesday 10th February – Safer Internet Day
- Wednesday 11th February – Choir attending Singing Festival practice
- Friday 13th February – Own Clothes Day for a suggested donation of £1
- Friday 13th February – End of Term 3

Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February: Spring Break – School closed for children

Term 4:

- Monday 23rd February – Term 4 begins and school reopens to children
- Monday 2nd March – Choir attending Singing Festival
- Thursday 5th March – World Book Day
- Thursday 2nd April – End of Term 4

Friday 3rd April – Friday 17th April: Easter break – School closed for children

