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Friday, 08 March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to have some drier weather this week! Please remember to send your child in with a coat as it still feels chilly outside and we do like to get everybody out at break and lunch times.



Jodie Hurrell

Camera Watches

Please can you ensure that children are not wearing watches to school which have cameras on them.



This is for safeguarding reasons and any watches with a camera will need to be taken to the office in the morning with mobile phones. We appreciate your cooperation with this.

Careers Day

On Friday 24th May, we will be running a Careers Day to give children an insight into some of the jobs available to them when they grow up. We are looking for volunteers to come in and speak to a class about their job in the morning. The sessions will be 30 minutes long and could include information about skills needed, best part of the job, photos and time to answer questions from the children. If you are interested in joining us for this activity, please leave your details with the office and Miss Eastwood will be in touch to discuss further.



Rainbow Trip



Rainbow class went to Hastings Aquarium this week to conclude their 'Under the Sea' topic. We had an amazing time looking around the aquarium and seeing all of the different sea creatures. We even saw them feed the sharks! After that we took a trip to the Shipwreck Museum where we saw anchors, cannons, shipwrecks and even dinosaur fossils. To end our trip we went to the beach where the children wanted to throw stones into the sea and collect their own stones and shells to bring home. The children were all incredibly well behaved and all of the adults were very proud of them.



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Congratulations

Well done to Mrs Allen who completed the Paddock Wood Half Marathon last weekend and beat her personal best time, completing it in 1hr 53 minutes !



Governors

On Monday morning we were delighted to welcome governors into school to come and talk to staff, parents and pupils about some of the extra-curricular activities that happen in school, such as breakfast club, after school clubs, music lessons, brass band, peer mediators, author visits, lunch club, neurodiversity pathway, Place 2Be and Forest School



Assessments and Consultations

Years 1 to 6 will be doing their Spring Term Assessments before we break up for Easter.

You will be sent the results after the Easter break and we will be inviting all parents to attend a consultation with your child's teacher on Wednesday 1st May / Thursday 2nd May.

A reminder and sign up sheets will be sent out nearer the time.



Well Done to the children who were awarded a Certificate of Excellence this week :-

Rainbow - Whole Class

Yr 1 - Jayden and Oliver

Yr 2 - Deacon and Sarah

Yr 3 - Ethan And Sebastien

Yr 4 - Isla and Owen

Yr 5 - Marley and Rowan

Yr 6 - Charlie Hem and Dolunay

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WORLD BOOK DAY

We had a wonderful day in school yesterday for World Book Day and all of the children went home with a brand new book which they had chosen themselves. Thank you to everyone for the huge effort you made with the dressing up. Thank you so much to Mrs Poland and Mrs Beales who put so much work into organising the day, and to Ruth and Karen our two reading volunteers who came and spent the day with us and ran library sessions for all of the children.



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Attendance



Attendance % School Year to Date	% Change On Last Week	
Year R	92.7	-0.2
Year 1	93.8	-0.6
Year 2	91.8	-0.1
Year 3	93.9	-0.1
Year 4	95.6	+0.2
Year 5	93.3	-0.1
Year 6	95.3	!

The above table shows attendance for the year so far for each class together with a view on how this week has changed from last week. (Green is Good)

This week's winners were **Green** Class who will receive an extra playtime next week.

Hot Chocolate with Mrs Hacker



Hot Chocolate was cancelled this week as many of the children were involved in the Science Week Activities. We will be back to normal next week.

GARDEN CLUB

This week our Garden club members were delighted to receive the new gardening equipment we were able to provide as a result of Tesco's funding. This will enable pupils to work on our Sensory Garden project.



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Forest School



Sessions for Term 4, Week 4 will be:

- Tuesday: Year 4
- Wednesday: Rainbow
- Thursday: Year 1

Please send children dressed in their Forest School clothes whatever the weather.

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Extending Horizons

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Advance notice that Sports Day will be held on Friday 14th June. KS1 will start at 9:30 and KS2 will start at 1:30.

All parents and Grandparents are welcome to come along and we will send exact timing and further information nearer the time.



A Prayer to end the week



Loving God,
Help us to look after our school and one another.
Help us to always respect others, to do our best, to believe in ourselves and to make the most of every opportunity to learn and grow.
Amen.



Diary Dates

21ST MARCH

- Year 5 - Rewind to Easter at Baptist Church

27TH MARCH

- Last Day of Term 4

1ST AND 2ND MAY

- Parent Consultations

24TH MAY

- Careers Day

14TH JUNE

- Sports Day

Reporting an absence.



If your child is absent from school, please let us know as early as possible either by phone call or through studybugs.

A reminder that the gates open at 8:35am and all children should be in school by 8:45am.

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Nurture : week 5

This week we have been thinking about the 5th Principle; Language is a vital means of communication. We thought about the fact that we may use actions sometimes instead of words. We might need some help to use our words at times, instead of actions! Here are some of our thoughts;

How we make sure people are ok, is by speaking to them. They can explain how they feel to you.

You can use language to get information or share it with someone else.

We are able to write down our worries if we find it difficult to say them aloud.

Sometimes it takes us a while to be able to process the advice and help we are given but people are patient and allow the words to sink in.

Place 2 Be allows us to talk about our worries because we can say anything without it being shared without our permission.

We are given time to discuss things we are proud of as well as our worries.

Sometimes when we feel sad we don't want to tell anyone but that makes things harder and makes you feel like you want to explode. My friends and family notice and when I have told them how I feel, I feel better.

Our words can hurt
and have meaning

Teachers give us time to say
our words and not put words in our
mouth.

Zones of regulation
help us put our feelings into words.

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COME ALONG! EGG BOX SCAVENGER HUNT

EASTER SATURDAY
30TH MARCH
10AM TO 1PM

KGV PLAYING FIELDS,
THE MOOR

Find items in nature and receive
an egg-cellent surprise! Free to take part,
all children welcome (accompanied by an adult)

Hawkhurst Community Trust,
prizes supported by Tesco Hawkhurst

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Draft Royal Tunbridge Wells Town Centre Plan – Vision 2040 Public Consultation

Tunbridge Wells Borough Council is working in partnership with a range of organisations and residents to develop a strategy which will shape the future of Royal Tunbridge Wells town centre. We have completed some initial engagement work and we now want to know what you think about the strategy we're calling the 'Draft Royal Tunbridge Wells Town Centre Plan – Vision 2040'.

The Council is undertaking a public consultation to get views and comments and **we would like to hear from students, school staff and parents alike.**



Further details about the consultation can be found here

<https://consult.tunbridgewells.gov.uk/kse/> on the Council's consultation portal and here <https://tunbridgewells.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/rtw-town-centre-plan> on the Council's website.

Short Survey and Art Competition



You can also provide your feedback by taking part in a **short survey** and entering our lucky draw to win prizes – including video games and food/drink vouchers.

<https://talkingpointtunbridgewells.uk.engagementhq.com/town-centre>

Or if you're 18 or under you can unleash your creative side and take part in our **Art Competition – 'Design Your Town!'** With exciting prizes including Trinity Theatre tickets or art supplies to be won!!!

More details are available on the Council's Instagram <https://www.instagram.com/twellsbc/> and website <https://tunbridgewells.gov.uk/news/2024/february/design-your-town-art-competition-for-under-18s!>



Please get back to us by midnight on 15 April 2024.

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