

I hope you and your family had a pleasant Easter break. I have enjoyed seeing the children back in school. We have had a really calm and purposeful start to this new term; all the children have shown great enthusiasm and engagement towards their learning since returning. Keep up the good work!

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of keeping your child safe on-line. If your child has access to any mobile device please regularly check the websites and applications that they are accessing to ensure that the content is suitable and age-appropriate.

If you require any further support or guidance regarding on-line safety please do not hesitate in contacting school.

Year 6 and Year 2 SATs

These are fast approaching; please ensure that your child regularly attends school in the lead up to the SATs and during their SATs window:

Year 6 SATs will take place during the week commencing 14 May Monday to Thursday inclusive

Year 2 SATs will take place between 1 and 23 May 2018

The children have been working incredibly hard all year in preparation for their SATs. The tests are an opportunity for the children to showcase their hard work and demonstrate their learning. All that we ask is for the children to try their best - just like they have been doing all year. They have been well prepared and we do not want them unduly worrying about the process. It is an opportunity for them to shine.

Changeable Weather

The weather is currently very variable. If the warm weather decides to return please make reference to the letter that was sent out regarding Sun Safety.

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Headteacher

Attendance

Group	Presents	AEA	Authorised Absences	Unauthorised Absences	% Attend
RAPPL	207	0	32	1	86.3
PEARS	202	0	34	4	84.2
1YEW1	238	0	10	0	96.0
1YEW2	219	0	21	8	88.3
2ASH1	218	0	5	9	94.0
2ASH2	225	0	9	6	93.8
Totals	3402	0	150	40	94.7

Whole school attendance since September 2017 is 95.3%

The cumulative school target is 97.0%

Acorns

This week, our butterfly garden arrived. We have talked to the children about the caterpillars we are going to put inside and how they will grow and change into butterflies. We have read 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and the children have also been looking at some nature magazines and discussing different animals and insects.

We linked our maths activities to our story and made our own 'number line' caterpillars by sticking the numbers in the correct order. We have enjoyed playing some phonics games and learning to make simple words to match pictures. The children have also been very creative and have particularly enjoyed painting butterflies and trees.



Reception Unit

So far this term the children have had a fantastic time learning all about the story of "Goldilocks and the Three Bears". They have acted the story out using puppets, made their very own porridge following a recipe and ordered the characters by size. The children have also described the characters and setting in detail and wrote their very own apology letter to the bears as Goldilocks.



Yew Unit

Yew Unit enjoyed a visit to Bob's garden and looked at the plants he is growing.

We helped him to plant some potatoes. We also enjoyed painting sunflowers with small sticks to create a different texture.



Ash Unit

We have had an exciting start to the term! Mr Jackson and Miss Nuttall informed us that a dragon egg had been found in Bob's garden within the school grounds. Thankfully, we found an address to a dragon sanctuary and have written some amazing letters to ask for more information.

This week we have received a reply from them which has helped us to write some interesting things about dragons as well as helping us to plan a story all about dragons.

In Maths, we have been sorting 2D and 3D shapes according to their properties.



Congratulations to This Week's Gold Book Award Winners For Always Listening, Thinking and Responding Well

Apples: Brody
Yew 1: Millie
Ash 1: Curtis

Pears: Jack
Yew 2: Tyler
Ash 2: Henry

Mathematician of the Week:
Kindness Cup:
Excellent Endeavour Award:
Attendance Ted:

Theo (Oak1) and Nathan (Oak 2)
Lucy (Oak1)
Millie (Yew1) - for displaying confidence at the dance festival
Yew 1

Writer of the Week: Alfie (Pears)
Sport Award: Isaac (Oak1)

All photographs are on the school website