

Headteacher's Message

Dear Families,

It's been a very short term and the staff and children have been applying themselves to their teaching and learning, making sure the curriculum is fully covered. Children have really progressed this term and teachers will be feeding back to parents on parents evening and finalising assessments at the end of term.

Thanks to parents and carers who were able to attend the leadership coffee morning – this is a good opportunity to meet senior staff and governors and this year we have had a few new appointments: Phil Rickner – Deputy, Ellen Gibson – Acting Deputy and Jon Pate – Acting Assistant Headteacher.

Thanks for all the support with charitable and school fundraising. Comic relief as ever was a fun day raising money for a good cause by wearing red and a talent show ably organised by Mr. Fink. World Book Day was a great success with lots of activities organised by Miss. Gibson and funding from the PTA.

Spring is on its way and there are some lovely flowers blooming in the school gardens. Wishing you a peaceful break over the Easter holiday.

Yours faithfully,

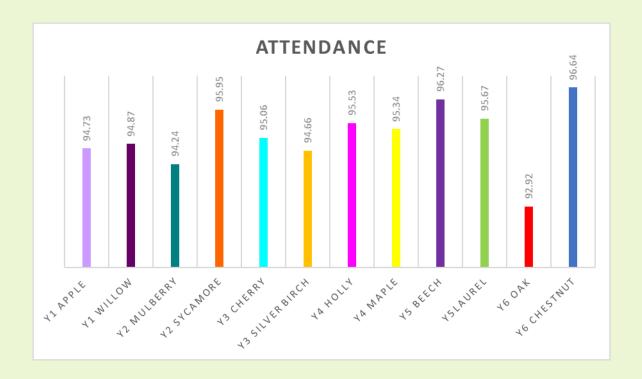
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Key Dates for your Diary	
APRIL 2024	
Monday 15th	Start of Term Back to School
Wednes- day 24th	Y3 Ufton Court Trip
Friday 26th	Reception Ladybirds Workshare Assembly
MAY 2024	
Thursday 2nd	Year 1 Legoland Trip
Monday 6th	Bank Holiday
Monday 27th	Half Term
JUNE 2024	
Monday 3rd	Back to School
Friday 14th	Y5 Beech Workshare Assembly
Friday 21st	INSET DAY
Tuesday 25th	Reception to Legoland
JULY 2024	
Tuesday 2nd	Nursery to Bocketts Farm
Friday 19th	Last day of Term



School Attendance & Punctuality



Please see above our attendance for our Spring Term which is 95.7% overall. The DFE expects 97% or above for good attendance.

Well done to Year 6 Chestnut & Year 5 Beech for the best attendance this term. We hope we can all work together to achieve the required 97% minimum attendance and punctuality next term.

A reminder children should be in by 08:55am in time for morning registration. If your child is ill please make sure to inform the office by no later than 08:30 am on the day .

The Office Team.



School Fun Activities



This term we celebrated World Book day and all the kids and teachers looked amazing . There was our annual talent show where it was amazing to see the talent across the school.

Wee managed to raise an incredible £310.



Early Years



We went to the aquarium to learn about hot and cold places. We especially loved seeing the penguins after learning about them in school and the sharks too!

We also had Zoolab come and visit where we held different minibeasts and we were taught many new facts about them! Did you know that a frog moves its eyes to push down its food? We also loved celebrating world book day! We got to read all of our favourite books!





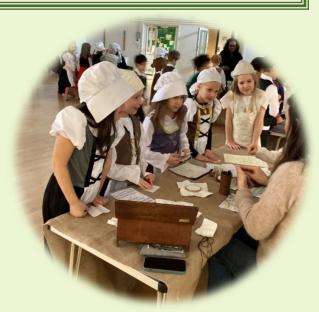
In Year 1 geography this term we have been understanding our local area.

We made messy maps of our classroom to understand our own surroundings. Then we looked at what the four lines of the address mean and how to plan the safest route from our school to Coronation Gardens using a map. We then used the maps to help find our way there!

In DT we have been building our own toy vehicles, using and creating the axles and chassis to make the vehicles move. The children had great fun designing the body of their vehicles and making it their own!







Year 2 took part in a fantastic workshop delivered by 'History Off the Page'. They were taken back to 1666 where the children became locals on the streets of London, learning skills for workers of the era such as leather working, inkwell writing, baking bread, metal working and sewing. As the children learned their trades, they were then instructed to give suggestions on how to stop the Great Fire spreading. In the afternoon, the children then enjoyed becoming detectives where they excavated the remains of what was left of the charred city. They scavenged for personal belongings in a variety of different trays and used their inference skills to detect who these personal belongings may have belonged to.

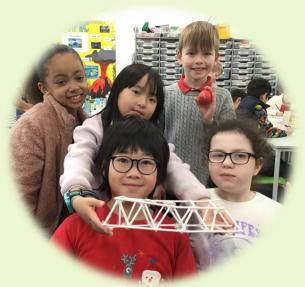




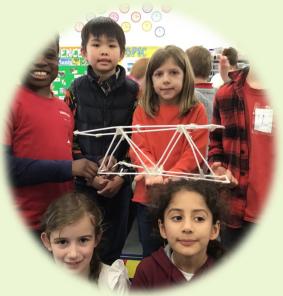
In Computing, the children have been busy counting, comparing, drawing and entering data in a variety of different ways. They have had fun creating their own tally charts, converting them into pictograms then using a range of information technology to present their data accurately.











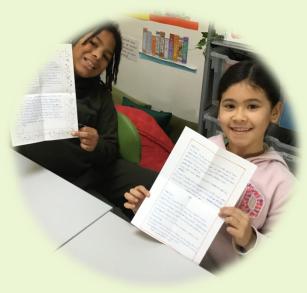
Year 3 have had a busy term. We have enjoyed reading about George's Marvellous Medicine, and writing about our own medicine creations and their effects. In History we learnt all about medicine through the ages. We have also read all about life on Nim's Island and thought about adventures in the Amazon Rainforest. In science we have been learning about plants, including dissecting plants to find out their different parts, and in history we are learning about the effect tectonic plates have on the Earth and have been particularly enjoying volcanoes. In art we have made pop art using printing, and in DT we are busy being engineers building strong and stable towers and bridges.











We visited the London Aquarium as part of our science topic, Living Things and their Habitats. Children learnt about different ocean organisms, their habitat, and what dangers they face.

In December, we wrote letters in Spanish and English to our new Spanish pen pals. We received their replies this half term!

They also learnt about river using an AR sandbox and in DT they have been making some torches.







As part of their Geography topic year 5 went on a trip to the recycling centre in Wandsworth.





In PSHE year 5 learnt essential life saving skills by putting someone in the correct recovery position.







Year 6 have worked incredibly hard this term. We have thoroughly enjoyed our World War 2 History topic and our visit the Imperial War Museum. We use the war using it as a focus within our writing in English, producing historical narratives as a soldier and a civilian. In Maths we have finished our Year 6 curriculum as we prepare for our SATs in May and the children have enjoyed learning about the mean, algebra, angles of quadrilaterals and triangles, volume of 3D shapes and ratio.

We go into our final term as Sheringdale pupils and we have so much to look forward to: SATs week (starting Monday 13^{th} May), PGL (10^{th} - 14^{th} June), a Sheringdale take on Matilda for Production and a visit to the Harry Potter Studios for a writing workshop.

A fantastic term Year 6, get lots of rest over the Easter break to come back fresh and ready to tackle everything Summer term has to offer.