



Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 11th March 2022

Message from the Headteacher

DEC Fundraiser

Huge thanks to all members of our school community for their overwhelming support of our fundraiser today. Cakes will continue to be on sale at the beginning of next week if you would like to send in monies for purchase. We were very pleased to accept a donation of £250 from the church of St Margaret of Antioch in support of our fundraising. It is heartening to see such community strength at this time. I will let you know next week how much we have raised.

Whilst our thoughts are with the Ukrainians we also think of those in Russia whose lives are being affected by the actions of their leader, as well as those in surrounding countries offering refuge.

I am very pleased to include the following in our newsletter this week – many of you will know Liza in Class 4, her older sister Mariia who left us in 2018 and their family.

"To all of you, who baked, raised money, who helped and offered help, who sent messages, who cheered us up and gave hugs, to all of you who simply kept our homeland in their thoughts and prayers, from the bottom of my heart and on behalf of all Ukrainian people - thank you! You are incredible!" Natalia & Liza Shnitnikova, Yr4

Parent/Carer Consultation Meetings

It was lovely to see parent/carers in school this week for meetings with the teachers. Mrs Wallis' missed meetings on Monday 7th will go ahead on Monday 14th and we are hopeful that Mrs Collins will have returned to work in time for her scheduled meetings on Wednesday 16th. All other meetings on 14th and 16th are scheduled to go ahead as planned.

Class 2 Family Assembly

We were delighted to welcome the families of our Class 2 children into school this morning. The children presented the first in-person family assembly of this school year. They shared with us their dreams and goals for the future through costume, speech, song and dance. Not only do they know what they would like to achieve they are also each pretty clear on how to do so! Seeing their enthusiasm and listening to their aspirations for the future was certainly very heart warming.

Playground Markings

You may have noticed some exciting changes to the playground this week. Our new playground markings are looking fantastic and I hope the children will enjoy playing on them.

Sporting Success

On Thursday 8 children took part in the Dover Primary Schools Swimming Gala at the Dover District Leisure Centre. This event was for children in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 and they competed against 12 local schools with heats and finals to decide the medals. Mr Castle reports:-

We did fantastically well winning 10 out of the first 15 races! All the children who took part won at least 1 medal, Rosie won 2 medals including 2 Golds and Liza won 2 Golds. As a school we won 6 Golds, 2 Silvers and 2 Bronze medals which meant we won the title for Year 3/4 and we finished 2nd in the Year 5/6 event. Overall we finished the gala in 2nd place. Well done to Rosie, Samuel, Renon, Chloe, Liza, Matthew, Isla and Gil.

Wishing you all a good weekend.

Helen Comfort

Message from Class 6

This week year six have been superstars! They began the week with some practice tests in preparation for their SATS tests that they will be sitting in May. They have had an incredible attitude to these tests and we are all very proud. In our class book, 'Floodland' our main character, Zoe, has had a difficult decision to make. The class have written balanced arguments to help to decide whether or not Zoe should trust the nasty leader of Eel's Island. We were lucky enough to have a visit from two of our governors this week who enjoyed visiting our science lesson. As part of our evolution and inheritance unit, children drew their own family tree and looked out for characteristics which may have been inherited through the generations. All in all, a busy but successful week in year six!

Miss Brett





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Star Awards

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Class 1 – Lenny

Class 2 – Holly B

Class 3 – William F

Class 4 - Faith

Class 5 – Caitlin & Reagan

Class 6 - Thomas

Birthdays

Happy Birthday to the following children who celebrated their birthday in February.

Rafael	Year 0R
Tommy	Year 04
Sophia	Year 0R
William	Year 03
Matilda	Year 04
Charlotte	Year 03
William	Year 02
Finley	Year 04
Harrison	Year 0R
Jayden	Year 0R
Dudley	Year 02
Anastasia	Year 04
Lillie-Jane	Year 05
Thomas	Year 05



Birthdays

Happy Birthday to the following children who celebrate their birthday in March.

Samuel	Year 05
George	Year 05
Chloe	Year 05
George	Year 0R
Charles	Year 02
Teddy	Year 03
Edie	Year 03
Darshhi	Year 04
Oliver	Year 01
Mitchell	Year 06
Betsy	Year 06
Liza	Year 04
Willow	Year 02
Faith	Year 04
Gracey	Year 06
Jack	Year 06



Coronavirus Symptoms

Updated Guidance

From 24th February there is no longer a legal requirement for people with coronavirus (COVID-19) infection to self-isolate, however if you have any of the main symptoms of COVID-19 or a positive test result, the public health advice is to stay at home and avoid contact with other people.

The main symptoms of COVID-19 are a recent onset of any of the following:

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

If you have any of these symptoms you should book a PCR test. If you have problems or cannot use the online service, call 119. You are advised to stay at home and avoid contact with other people while you are waiting for the test result.

If tested positive for COVID-19, you should self-isolate for at least five full days, and should continue to follow guidance until you have received 2 negative test results on consecutive days from day 5.

Keeping School Informed

If your child tests positive for COVID-19 please inform the school – by telephone on 01304 852639 during the school day. If your child tests positive 'out of hours' we do not need to know until the morning of the first day of absence – as with all sickness absence.

The Week Ahead!

Lunch Menu – Week 1

Week commencing 14th March 2022

Last week of clubs for Term 4

Monday, 14th March – 3:30pm to 6:30pm Parent/Carer Consultation Meetings – Classes 1, 2, 3 & 4 (by appointment)

Wednesday, 16th March - 3:30pm to 6:30pm Parent/Carer Consultation Meetings – Classes R, 3, 5 & 6 (by appointment)

Friday, 18th March – 9am Class 5 Family Assembly in the school hall
– Response deadline for Class 4 Residential Trip

