



Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 24th November 2023

Message from the Headteacher

Parent/Carer Consultation Meetings

It was good to see so many of you in school this week for our teacher consultation meetings – I hope that you found the time with your child's class teacher useful.

KS2 Times Tables Bee

We held an exciting maths competition in our hall on Wednesday this week. Mr Oliver, Mathematics Subject Leader, provides the following report:

'Teams were selected from keen mathematicians in Key Stage 2.

Classes 3 and 4 began their competition by answering a mixture of multiplication questions. They completed 20 questions within 2 minutes. After this they were challenged with answering several word problems. Each team worked together to complete the challenge. The scores after three rounds were very close, however Cliffe proved to be victorious.

Classes 5 and 6 began their competition with much excitement. They worked through numerous multiplication questions within the 2-minute time. After two rounds the scores were extremely close with only two points separating the winning three teams. However, after a further two rounds of questions the victors edged ahead. Pines House children were delighted with their winning team.

Congratulations to Emily, Lydia, Rosa, Jack, Tommy, Sophia, Imogen & Freddie. All the children had a great time.'



Mrs Julie Jull

Many of you will know Mrs Julie Jull who is one of our mid-day supervisors. Mrs Jull will be retiring at the end of this term after 29 years! I know you will all want to join me in thanking her for her dedicated service and wishing her well for a long and happy retirement.

Christmas is Coming!

I hope you all saw the Christmas letter which came out recently – we look forward to seeing you all at our various events which celebrate the festive period.

KS1 Nativity

Please remember to return any unwanted tickets so we can reallocate these to families who have requested extra tickets.

Reception Class 2024

Do you have a child born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020? If so they will be eligible to start school in September 2024. We invite families to book an appointment to come and have a look around our school at a time to suit.

Please spread the word to anyone you know with a child of the right age.

Have a lovely weekend!

Helen Comfort – Executive Headteacher





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Message from Class 3

Class 3 have been hard at work, beginning our new block of learning on multiplication and division in maths. The times tables songs we have been practising are paying off! We also took part in a 'Times Tables Bee' on Wednesday morning with Class 4.

In English, we are enjoying writing our own version of *Jack and the Beanstalk*.

We continued our journey around Europe this week, learning about Belgium, Croatia, Albania and Poland. At the end of this week we enjoyed continuing our Christmas art ready for our Class 3 decorated hoop!

Mr Ayers



Reception Class 2024

Applications are now open for Reception Class September 2024. If you have a child born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020 you can apply online for a place through the Kent County Council website:-

www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places/primary-school-places

Applications close on **15th January 2024**.

Star Awards

w/e 24th November 2023

Class R – Eleanor
Class 1 – Stanley
Class 2 – Eloise
Class 3 – Matilda
Class 4 – Sophie
Class 5 – Noah
Class 6 – Arthur



Whole School Attendance

20/11/23 - 24/11/23

93%

05/09/23 - date

95.9%

The Week Ahead!

Week commencing 27th November 2023

LAST WEEK OF CLUBS

(EXCEPT FOR CONSTRUCTION, CRAFT & ART CLUBS)

Monday, 27th November

- Class 4 Forest School sessions all week
- Reception Class and Nursery Forest School Session

Friday, 1st December

- Classes 1 & 2 deadline to bring in Nativity costumes

Lunch Menu: Week 2

w/c Monday, 27th November 2023

£2.41 per day

October-23.pdf
(wholeschoolmeals.co.uk)

To pay for your meals online, please go to:

<https://www.parentpayshop.co.uk/schools/wsm>

