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Term 6 Week 1

Friday 10th June 2022

Reading Reward Scheme

Our Whole School Reading Reward Scheme will continue with your ongoing support required to tot up the minutes read at home and please add additional comments in the reading records if required.



Reading Records are checked each Thursday and minutes counted for the House total.

This week's results:

Rother: 570 minutes **Cuckmere:** 762 minutes

Teise: 444 minutes **Medway:** 355 minutes

Well done, Cuckmere!



Attendance

Whole school: week: **92.4%**

year: **93.3%**

Maple: 84.7% **Willow:** 90.1%

Cherry: 95.0% **Lilac:** 94.8%



Less than 94.9% - Red **96.5 to 99.9% - Green**
95 to 96.4% - Amber **100% - Gold**

Every school day provides opportunities for learning, as well as social and emotional development so it is noticeable when students miss school as it impacts their progress.

Please support us and your child to ensure that their attendance is a priority.

Top Tips

- Letters and emails home this week:

Whole School

- ◇ School Clubs

Lilac Class

- ◇ Summer Production
- ◇ Homework

Cherry

- ◇ Hands on History Experience

Maple Class

- ◇ Trip - Forest Row Community Fire Station
- ◇ Forest School
- Please return your May Fair costumes to school by Monday 13th June
- Check out Diary Dates - there are lots!



St Mary's Star Skills

With so many skills developing, we choose one Star Skill each week to highlight in the Newsletter.

Owen: has shown awesome **problem solving skills** this week, working hard to get to the root of all problems.

Emily: who has shown excellent **listening skills** in Literacy, exploring the story 'Escape from Pompeii'.

Charlie: who has shown amazing **teamwork** this week, helping everybody in his group to create a fantastic castle and shared blocks to do this.

William: has shown fabulous speaking skills this week when he shared the exploring he did in the stream and woods at Forest School.

Well done to you all!

Next week we will be looking at how Rhys, Scarlett, Teagan and Bertie develop their skills.

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PTFA

Our lovely PTFA continue their work behind the scenes so don't forget to have the school on your **Amazon Smile** account, be signed up to '**Easy Fund Raising**', add any **clothes** to our collection bin, or to join in with the **Bingo Balls!** The PTFA are always looking for helpers and new ideas for raising money for the school so don't be shy, get in touch!

Coming Soon:

8th July: Summer Social (back up 15th July)

20th July: End of school disco

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Bingo Ball Winner

The bingo ball was drawn in celebration assembly today (for May) with winning ball number **22**.

Congratulations to this month's £50 winner!



Opportunity - school club

We have one space available on Wednesdays during school time, for children to sign up to either **singing** or **keyboard** lessons.

Cost £10 per week, with Miss Rowberry.

Please contact the school office if you would like more information.



Lost Property

There is a pair of glasses in the school office that have lost their owner (may belong to an adult). If you are missing a pair, please call into the school office.



Dates for your Diary

June

13th: Hands on History - Cherry Class

14th: Tempest Group Photos

17th: Forest Row Fire Station - Maple Class

23rd: Forest School: Lilac Class

30th: Forest School - Willow Class

23rd: Maple Bake Sale

24th: Bedes School - Lilac Class (letters to come)

27th: Transition afternoon - children

30th: Y6 Leavers' Service All Saints Church 1:15pm

July

4th: Transition afternoon - children

4th: Meet your new teacher - parents Cherry 2:45pm

4th: Meet your new teacher - parents Willow 3pm

4th: Meet your new teacher - parents Lilac 3:15pm

5th: Governor's Meeting

8th: Sports Day

8th: PTFA Summer Social

11th: Dogs Trust Workshops - whole school

12th: End of Summer Production - 2pm Lilac Class

12th: End of Summer Production - 6pm Lilac Class

15th: Sports Day 'back up'

15th: Summer Social 'back up'

15th: Reports

19th: Report Queries - 3:15pm

20th: Leavers' Service - Church 11am

20th: Last Day School for pupils

21st: Inset Day

August

Have a super holiday and rest

September

1st: Inset Day

2nd: Inset Day

5th: Start of term for pupils Y1 - Y6

5th: EYFS home visits

6th: EYFS home visits

7th: Maple Class - 8:40am - 12.00pm

7th: Maple Class - 8:40am - 12.00pm

7th: Maple Class - 8:40am - 1.00pm (including lunch)

12th: Maple Class - full time

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May Fair

On 27th May, we were blessed with good weather for our annual May Fair.

The children had worked hard to learn their dances and were amazing when they danced around the May Pole in traditional costumes after our delightful May Fair King and Queen had been crowned.

Thank you to all who were able to support this afternoon and to the PTFA for keeping everyone fed and watered!



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Baking Competition - Friday 27th May



Thank you to all who entered the baking competition. The categories were hotly contested and the cakes were very much enjoyed at the May Fair.

Well done to you all!



Congratulations

Last term, we shared an opportunity to join a fishing competition. Max took up this challenge, catching seven fish and meeting the Mayor!

Well done, Max!



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Forest School - Thursday 9th June

Maple Class joined Cherry Class at Forest School this week as part of their transition into Year 1. They got to walk, talk, play and explore with their new peer group on the way to and in the woods.

The children started their afternoon by looking at some of the plants along the way. They were very interested in stinging nettles, dock leaves, or 'doctor leaves' as they called them and they learned to identify the plantain, which is also brilliant as a skin healing plant if you can't find any dock leaves. They also played with sticky weeds and made crowns to link to Cerry's Castles learning journey.



The next step was the river Medway, where Maple Class floated their boats away downstream to the sea! They noticed the flow of the river and how the current swirls and creates waves and eddies, which took the boats away.



There was lots of creativity in the woods, making up singing and rhythmic patterns with the sticks they had found and making shapes, letters and patterns with the sticks on the woodland floor.



There was climbing and swinging and playing on the hammock together, along with digging and excavating and getting really muddy in the stream!

The children then talked about their favourite part of Forest School to each other to reflect on their afternoon together:

"I like the stream, I dugged it with a fork"

"I like the hammock and swinging in it with my friends...oh and the nature"



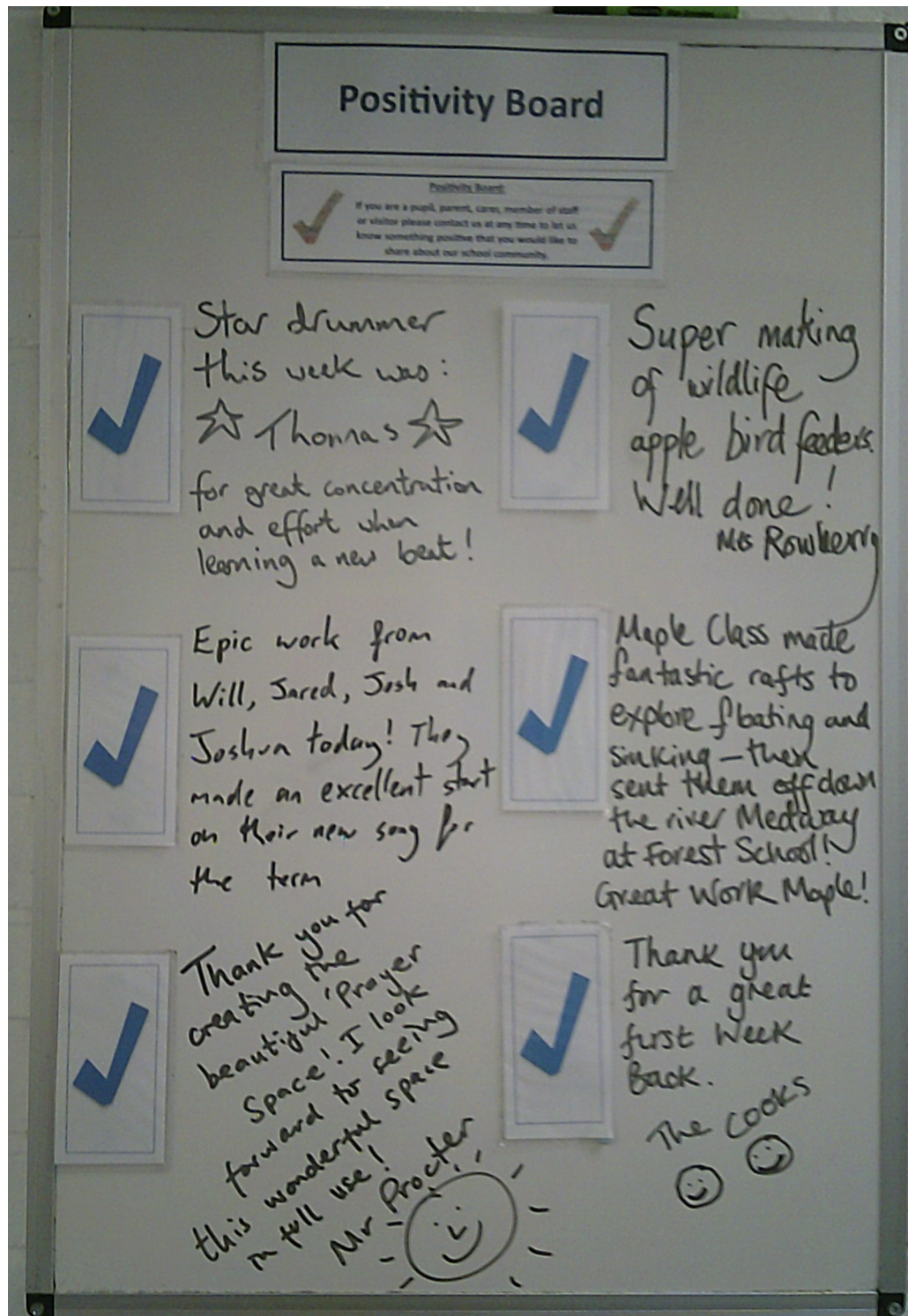
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Positivity Board

This board enables us to write positive comments, or thoughts, from parents, carers, staff, children and visitors that they would like to share with others about the school, their classes, the children or events.

Please contact us at any time to let us know something that you would like to share. In the newsletter every week, there will be a picture to share and celebrate the positivity within our school.



Wellbeing Poster

The wellbeing poster this week is taken from Change 4 Life and looks at Top tips to keep your family healthy and happy.

Top tips to keep your family healthy and happy

change
4 life

1 Sugar swaps

Swap fizzy drinks, juice drinks and flavoured milks for water, lower-fat milks and no added sugar drinks.



3 Snack smart

Sugary snacks can all add up! When choosing packaged snacks, stick to two a day max. But remember, fruit and vegetables are always the best snack.



5 Get going every day

Kids need 60 active minutes each day. This can be in short 10 minute bursts throughout the day, try scootering to school, skipping to the shops, or dancing to a song. Keep track of screen time – many parents find it helpful to set a daily limit.



2 Me-sized meals

Remember kids are smaller than adults so give them a smaller portion to begin with, if they're still hungry they'll ask for more.



4 Eating out

When eating out look for child-friendly options that include fruit and vegetables. Try to avoid bigger portion sizes such as "go large" or "supersize" deals.



Want more tips to help you stay healthy and happy?

Search Change4Life

East Hoathly Fun Run

The delightful Mr Gray is aiming to join the East Hoathly Fun Run on Sunday 19th June, when he will be raising money for their Nursery.

We will be praying that the weather is kind to all of the runners but especially Mr Gray, who will be carried around by his own green alien!



If you would be happy to donate to this venture, please go to: https://www.gofundme.com/f/raise-money-for-east-hoathly-nursery?utm_source=customer&utm_medium=copy_link&utm_campaign=p_cf+share-flow-1