

#### **Dear Parents and Carers**

Attached to this newsletter is a copy of the report following the visit from Ofsted earlier this term. This is not like a standard Ofsted report as it is just a monitoring visit to see if we are making progress to be on track to be good at a full inspection. We were really pleased that the HMI recognised all the progress that has been made.

In the report, it mentions that we have been working in partnership with a local Multi-Academy Trust. This is Ventrus; a group of local schools who we are working in partnership with and we hope to continue this collaboration in the future as it allows us to share best practice.

#### **Year Three**

The children are looking forward to going on the residential to Dartmoor on Monday. Please drop them to their classrooms as usual. They are due to return between 5 and 6pm on Tuesday but we will send a text once we have a more accurate arrival time. Please collect the children from the main school hall.

### **Top Readers**

Well done to the children below who are the top readers for their class on accelerated reader. We have had some good feedback from parents about how much children enjoy using this at home! This is from 30th October to 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023 inclusive.

3H Arlo G
 3KH Anya M
 4E Florence L
 5T Freddie S
 5W Maksymilian S
 6BD Oluwajomiloju J

4F Elijah H 6P Naomi A

### Staff changes

We have some staff changes coming up after Christmas. Miss Hughes is leaving to take up a new post in a specialist setting. This is something she is very passionate about and we wish her good luck. We will miss her greatly as she started many years ago as a teaching assistant prior to her teacher training. We are currently advertising her post and will let you know once we have appointed someone.

Mr Pearson will also be leaving at Christmas as he has secured a position as Head of School in a school in south Devon. Congratulations to him, and I know families and staff will miss him. Mr Dawe will be acting in the position of Deputy Headteacher after Christmas; he knows the children and families well and has been part of the school leadership team already.

### **Thank You**

Thank you so much to the parents who volunteered to help support the discos for the children. They really loved them and thank you also, to staff who stayed to make sure they can happen.

### Some useful dates for this term

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> Year 6 visit Narnia performance

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November Children in Need day – wear your pyjamas!

Friday 17th flu vaccinations

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November 9am - Music Assembly for children in Years 3, 5 and 6.

Friday 24th November 9am - Music Assembly for children in Years 1, 2 and 4

### Friday 1st December Non-Pupil Day – school is shut

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Lunch Nursery to Year 2

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December Nursery Nativity

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Lunch years 3,4,5 and 6

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December Santa Run for whole school

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> 2pm Christmas Fair

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December Carol Concert at St James' Park for choir

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> 2pm December Reception Nativity

Thursday 14th December Carol Concert years 1 to 6 after school-details to follow

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Jumper Day

### YEAR 3

On Tuesday, Year 3 were focusing on their jumping skills and techniques in PE! They also had their first hockey sessions this week! It will take a little bit of time for some of us to get used to the feeling of the gum shields!



In maths, we have also been learning the formal methods for addition and subtraction with exchanges. We also really enjoyed the Robots and Rockstars day!







# YEAR Y

Over the past couple of weeks, Year 4 have been enjoying learning about and designing Viking Long Ships. We thought about our design brief and designed different elements like sails and shields.

We have been working really hard on our times tables in Year 4, and really enjoyed dressing up as rockstars for TTRS day!



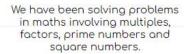






## YEAR 5









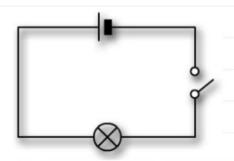


We enjoyed a visit from a storyteller and learnt to tell the Ancient Greek story of "Odysseus and the Cyclops".

### YEAR 6

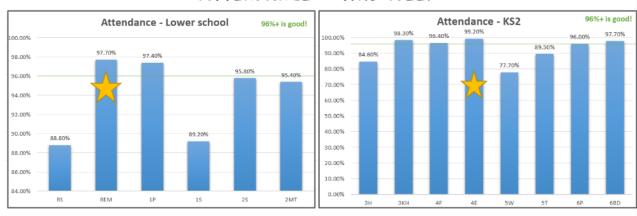
Over the past 2 weeks, Year 6 have started their new science topic on light and electricity. This week they built their own series circuits and started to become familiar with all of the components in an electrical circuit.

We have also started a new DT project in which the children will work in groups to build their own Anderson Shelter. They will be aiming use similar techniques to the ones used to build shelters back in WW2.





### ATTENDANCE - THIS WEEK



Well done to REM who were the top attending lower school class this week. In KS2, there are some brilliant attendance figures this week, but congratulations to 4E whose attendance was just incredible!

Friday Flier	10.11.23		
3KH	Zach W		
3H	Ezra S		
4F	Amelia		
4E	Jessica F		
5W	Ethan N		
5T	Jack P		
6P	Joey B		
6BD	Scarlett P		

Monday Main Meal	Tuesday  Main Meal	Wednesday Main Meal	Thursday  Main Meal	Friday Main Meal
Beef Burger in a Bun with Potato Wedges and Peas	Chicken Katsu Curry with Rice and Sweetcorn	Roast Turkey, Roast Potatoes, Fresh Veg Medley	Pasta Bar (Various toppings to choose from), Garlic Focaccia and Sweetcorn	Fish Fingers, Chips and Peas
Vegetarian Option	Vegetarian Option	Vegetarian Option	Vegetarian Option	Vegetarian Option
Quorn Brunch with Wedges, Tomato, Mushroom and Peas	Margherita Pizza, Pommes Noisettes and Sweetcorn	Roasted Veg Wellington, Roast Potatoes, Fresh Veg Medley	5 Bean Chilli with Rice and Salad Bar	Vegetable Nuggets, Chips and Baked Beans or Peas
Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato
With Cheese / Beans / Tuna Mayo	With Cheese / Beans / Tuna Mayo	With Cheese / Beans / Tuna Mayo	With Cheese / Beans / Tuna Mayo	With Cheese / Beans / Tuna Mayo
Dessert	Dessert	Dessert	Dessert	Dessert
Flapjack Or Fresh Fruit/Yogurt	Cake Or Fresh Fruit/Yogurt	Ice Cream Pot Or Fresh Fruit/Yogurt	Cake Or Fresh Fruit/Yogurt	Cookie Or Fresh Fruit/Yogurt