



Dear Parents, Pupils and Staff,

This week started with another disruption to the start of the school day with roadworks in the worst possible place! However, I did enjoy my time directing the traffic and was able to ensure everyone got into school on time. I must thank Mrs Lee for her assistance – I definitely think we missed our calling in life! I would like to thank all parents and carers for your patience and understanding!

On Tuesday during the 'Great Storm of 2017' the children managed to get in school as dry as possible ready for their class photos. Everyone looked very smart with hair set in exact positions. Ironically, we do this in June because the weather is better! I will try to organise sunshine next year!

This week the children and teachers have both enjoyed a maths week full of investigations, new experiences and lots of fun! The children across the school have loved all the activities set for them each day. The children have experienced activities from investigating the weather, building their own wind vanes, to growing and measuring their own plants. The children loved setting up their own fair ground stalls trying to make a profit, designed their own zoos considering the area and perimeter for the animals and many more. Times tables were celebrated in a Times Table Rockstar 'concert' Assembly. Huge congratulations to Tahir Omotoso for winning the Year 3 vs Year 4 round, Daniel O'Neill for winning the Year 5 vs Year 6 round and a special mention to Isaac

Sear for winning the final Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 round! Next year I think we should have a teacher competition! A big thank you to all the teachers for organising a great week for their classes and to the children for their hard work and effort! I would also like to thank Mr Simmonds (Maths Leader) for all his hard work in leading such an enjoyable week for the children. It is a lot of hardwork but worth it in the end!



Just before half term I informed you all of the fantastic work carried out by a group of children in Year 5 led by Mrs Scott. This was part of an Art project called 'Artistry of the Estuary' and is a Thurrock wide competition that involves all of the primary schools in the local area. The judging for the competition took place on Wednesday evening and I am delighted to report that the work was recognised as highly commendable which is a fantastic achievement! Well done to everyone involved! The art pieces will be on display in the Thameside Nature Park throughout the Summer holidays. Make sure you take the time to visit.



Don't forget that the Summer Fete is taking place tomorrow. Please come along to enjoy a fun family day out! There is also a rumour that I will be spending some time in the stocks – it may be the best money some of you spend all weekend!

Have a lovely weekend and I look forward to seeing many of you tomorrow!

*J. A. Bryant*  
Headteacher



This week the **Attendance Trophies** have been awarded to

**KS1**

**Class 4**

**Mrs McAllister**

**100%**

**KS2**

**Class 13**

**Miss Reeve**

**100%**

***Congratulations to all classes!***

**Whole School Attendance**

**96.9%**



### **Bronze Headteacher Award**

This week 9 Bronze Headteacher Awards were presented in assembly. Congratulations to Connie Stevens, Lola Gibbs, Fern Franklin, Bethanie Green, Olivia Beard, Joshua Roberts, Jack Strutt, Rhys Card and Louie Baxter. They are now the proud owners of a new ruler! Congratulations!



### **PGL at Marchants Hill, Surrey, (Current Year 5)**

We still have a few places available for the PGL residential trip from Friday 13<sup>th</sup> to Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July. A ParentMail message has been sent out today with all the details. Please let us know as soon as possible if your child wishes to attend.



### **Extending the school day consultation**

The consultation ended before half term and I will now report the outcome of this to the Governing body next week. Once a final decision is made I will write to everyone formally with the outcome, so that you know what time school will start from September.



### **Diary Dates**

As we come to the end of the term it is always a very busy time. Please check the diary dates at the end of this newsletter. If you ever have any questions, please speak to the office.



### **Isle of Wight (Current Year 4)**

Just a reminder that the deposit for the Isle of Wight school trip needs to be paid today, please make the payment using the School Gateway payment system. If you have difficulty using this system please ask at the school office. Thank you.



## LETTERS SENT HOME THIS WEEK

Music Festival Rehearsal – School Choir – 5<sup>th</sup> June.  
 PTA Newsletter – all years – sent by ParentMail – 6<sup>th</sup> June.  
 Change of date to Year 6 Production – sent by ParentMail – 6<sup>th</sup> June.  
 PTA Father's Day – all years – 8<sup>th</sup> June.  
 Infant Music Festival – Year 2 – 7<sup>th</sup> June.  
 PGL Residential Journey – Year 5 – sent by ParentMail – 9<sup>th</sup> June.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES...



### June

Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Fete
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1 Phonics Check (No Holidays) Year 2 Phonics Re-Check (No Holidays)
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	EY's School Trip to Barleylands
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	School Choir of the Year competition (Shell Club)
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup>	SEN Coffee Morning
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>	PTA Father's Day Shop
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Sports and Health & Fitness Week
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Class 5 School Trip
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Class 6 School Trip
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Sports Day
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS – Year 1 Transition Meeting (2.20pm)
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Reserve Sports Day
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2 – 3 Transition Meeting (2.20pm)
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Non-Pupil Day</b>

### July

Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Friday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Transition Week
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Year 2 Music Festival
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Open Evening (3.30pm – 5pm & 5.30pm – 7pm)
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 End of Year Assembly (9.15am) Year 3 End of Year Assembly (2.30pm)
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Reports Home SEND Parent/Carer Meetings (Invites to be sent) Junior Music Festival
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	SEN Coffee Morning Borough Olympics Year 5 End of Year Assembly (2.30pm) KS2 Disco (After School)
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2 End of Year Assembly (9.15am) KS1 Disco (PM) Year 6 End Of Year School Trip

Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1 End of Year Assembly (9.15am)
	Whole School Behaviour Reward
	Year 6 Leavers Party (4pm – 6pm)
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS End of Year Assembly (9.15am)
	Year 6 Production 1.45pm and 6.30pm
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Leavers Fayre (PM)
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Last Day of Term