

Friday 10th May 2024

INKPEN WEEKLY NEWS

Message from Miss Buck

What a fantastic week it has been as we celebrated National Deaf Awareness Week during assemblies this week. It was heart warming to see so many of our pupils getting involved and learning some basic sign language. We took a moment to imagine how our lives would be different if we couldn't hear. It was a thought-provoking experience, making us appreciate the importance of our hearing and the challenges faced by those who are deaf or hard of hearing. I have to say, I was blown away by the attitudes and respect shown by our children towards others. It was truly inspiring to witness such empathy and kindness from our young learners. Let's continue to carry this spirit of understanding and inclusivity forward in everything we do. Together, we can create a more compassionate and supportive community for all.

Key dates coming up

Week beginning 13.05.24 SATs week for Year 6 children

Week beginning 20.05.24 Auditions and casting for our KS2 performance

24.05.24 Last day of term (3:15 finish)

27.05.24 – 31.05.24 Half Term (3:15 finish)

03.06.24 Start of Summer Term 2

What wonderful weather we have had this week! The children have certainly been making the most of the warmer weather and have enjoyed participating in a wide range of activities at lunchtime!



Stars of the Week

10.05.24

Red Kite: Noah

Pheasant: Tommy

Crocus: Logan

Congratulations to our reading champions this week:

Red Kite: Maggie May

Pheasant: Daisy

Crocus: Ayla



News from the classes:

Red Kites:

In History this week, the children in Red Kite have been exploring what democracy looked like in Ancient Greece. They showed an excellent understanding of how this compared to British democracy in the modern day and worked hard to craft carefully considered arguments before debating the motion: all citizens (including women, young people, enslaved people and people born outside Athens) should be able to vote.

Pheasants:

The children in Pheasant class have been on a thrilling adventure this week—travelling on a zip wire through the rainforest! We have been incredibly impressed with their vocabulary choices and their ability to describe what they could see, hear and feel in each layer of the rainforest, using paragraphs to organise their writing. In Maths, the children have been learning about money and counting in pounds and pence. The year 4 children have then been converting pounds and pence into decimals.

Crocus and Silver Birch:

The children in Silver Birch have been investigating height and length in maths this week and have been using excellent vocabulary such as longer, tallest and shortest. They enjoyed going outside and collecting sticks of different lengths and ordered them from shortest to longest. In science, the children planted a bean seed and have been eagerly observing them for signs of growth! We are very excited that we now have a tank full of froglets who are enjoying spending more time on "land". We have all enjoyed observing them grow and change!



We are so proud of the Year 3 and 4 children who represented our school in a Tri-Golf festival on Tuesday this week. As always, they behaved beautifully and supported and encouraged each other throughout. They were incredibly proud of finishing 2nd out of 9 different schools. Well done everyone!



Wishing all our brilliant Year 6 children the very best of luck for their SATs next week. You've got this! Remember to stay calm, do your best and show what you know. A HUGE thank you to our amazing PSA who are kindly treating the children to a delicious breakfast each day next week!