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By now you should have all received invitations to join School Ping; our new messaging and payment service. We will be transferring to the new payment system at the end of the month, and have already started using Ping for communication – including booking parents evening appointments, which were sent home earlier this week.

We really hope this new system will be a positive move for our parents; from booking parents evening appointments and school trips, to receiving messages and notifications in an efficient and fast way. As always we welcome any questions that you have, and would love to hear your feedback.

Thank you for being patient with us as we make the transition!



When are you old?

Winning KS1 Answer by George in Year 2

70 or over, as you become someone's grandad or granny

Winning KS2 Answer by Juniper in Year 4

I think you are never old because you are always someone's child, so you are still little to them.

Headteacher Awards

Mrs Lawrence, Harley, Lilly, Charlie and Sydney in Red Squares



Red Classes have been listening to the story of Chicken Licken. They acted out the story in class and drew some detailed illustrations.

Orange Class have been planting beans this week on a jay cloth to watch the roots and shoots grow. As soon as they are big enough we will plant them in their own pots!

This week Yellow Class started their Forest School sessions, and the children who stayed behind designed a sports kit in science ahead of Sport Relief, thinking about the materials.

Year 3 have been grouping rocks in science as part of their topic on Rocks and Soil, by investigating their properties. They looked at density, permeability, and durability.

This week Blue Class have been writing their own weather reports. They have also been adding fractions using a common denominator in Maths.

Indigo Class have been exploring direct and indirect speech in Literacy this week, writing their own examples. In Science, they investigated the life cycle of plants.

Year 6 have been applying their problem solving skills to calculate the area and perimeter of a variety of different compound shapes. Some were very tricky!

Whole school attendance this week: 96.7%

	Foundation Stage	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Percentage	97.46%	98.1%	93.81%	99.52%	99.47%	96.67%	91.63%
Absences	8	4	13	1	1	7	17
Lateness	4	1	0	5	3	0	1

Football Tournament

Our second match in the Year 6 Consortium Football Tournament is next Wednesday 18th March, against Milldene Primary School.

If your child is playing next Wednesday, please ensure they bring to school with them; football boots or trainers, a water bottle, shin-pads. We will provide them with a football kit. Thank you!



Walter de la Mare in Year 6

Year 6 have been working really hard in literacy this week, exploring and understanding the work of the long-established poet Walter de la Mare.

Great work Violet Class!



English in Year 2

In English Year Two have been reading Gorilla by Anthony Browne. They made a class story map and then in groups retold the story using actions. The story map helped to add connectives into the retelling. We have also used the past tense to describe character's actions.



Coronavirus Update

We would like to thank our whole school community for your support and for helping us to follow all Public Health England guidance regarding corona virus. Public Health England recommends that in addition to handwashing before eating, and after coughing and sneezing, everyone should also wash hands after using toilets and travelling on public transport. Here is a short NHS film for guidance on washing hands for 20 seconds with soap and hot water: <https://youtu.be/bQCP7waTRWU>.

Public Health England have also created a fun singalong video to help teach young children how to wash their hands:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S9VjelWLnEg>

Skinny Jean Gardener

We are VERY excited about our visit tomorrow. We will be joined by Author The Skinny Jean Gardener from Blue Peter, who will be showing children all about how to start an allotment, and donating some amazing items courtesy of M&S. Children will each get a plant to take home and nurture. Those who have signed consent will be filmed for a documentary, and all will participate and have fun!



Sport Relief

We will be recognising Sport Relief with the help of Year 6, who have organised runs for all Year Groups on the playground. You should have received a form home to raise donations for the charity, although please note there is no obligation to do this – all children will participate and have fun regardless of whether they bring a form in!

At pickup, children can also guess which football team Dino Dave supports to WIN HIM courtesy of Miss Birbeck, for 50p a go. If you'd like to join in remember to bring in 50p at 3:15pm. Please note children are to come to school wearing uniform.



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