



Photography is a form of time travel Neil deGrasse Tyson

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Next Week

Thank you so much to everyone this week for sticking to your drop off and pick up times, and allowing the room for this to happen safely. Next week will be even busier, so please keep up the great work!

Next week we will be inviting two new houses in, for two days each, to our temporary outdoor classrooms. As we will be outside please make sure your child has weather appropriate clothing to wear over their uniform. They must also bring in a water bottle, and as we cannot accommodate school meals for these next houses, your child will need to bring in a packed lunch box as well.

Next week will be busy, but we have meticulously planned the outside spaces, staff timetables, PE sessions, lessons, and assemblies; and we are so excited to be seeing you again!

Thank you for all the support and gratitude you have shown us as we try to maximize the amount of children we can give time in school before the end of term. We know not all schools are doing this, but your support and positivity has helped us to be as flexible as we can and have been, and has kept us going.



If you could go to any time, where would you go?

Winning FS Answer by Zachary in Red Squares

I would go back to meet my Mum's dad as I've never met him

Winning KS1 Answer by Reniyah in Year 1

To see my mum as a baby

Winning KS2 Answer by Miriam in Year 6

I would go back to 1929 when Martin Luther King was born, so I could see what difficulties he faces in his childhood and I could make people see that racism is not ok

Headteacher Awards

ALL of House 1,
Holly in Year 1,
Megan in Year 2,
PJ and Ffion in
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CELEBRATING EACH OTHER, AND THE JOURNEY WE ARE ON

A Loooooong Project

This week House 8 watched a program about the Amazon Rainforest. They decided to make their very own anaconda snake, which came in at a massive 14.7 metres (even longer than a real one!)



Time Travel

We have travelled through time and space this week! We have had many conversations about where and when we would love to travel to, whom we would love to meet, and loved ones we have loved to see again. We have had trips in our imaginations and trips down memory lane. And we would never have managed it without our time machines.



Understanding Black Lives Matter

This week ex pupils Ella and Anny came to our new temporary outdoor classroom to deliver presentations to Houses 5 and 6 on Understanding Black Lives Matter.

It was such a powerful talk, with incredibly insightful and thoughtful questions. We are so proud of our ex and current pupils for being PRESENT in the discussion, OPEN to learn, enthusiastic to bring about CHANGE, and HOPEFUL for the future.

Thank you Ella, Anny, and the children for being AGENTS OF CHANGE in our local community and beyond.



Discussions this week within our school community prompted one parent to reflect on privilege, particularly white privilege. She sent this to us and we thought it would be helpful to share with you:

'Privilege - to have an advantage, or immunity or something only available to a particular person or group. So what is White privilege?

During the past few weeks I have witnessed the term white privilege being completely misunderstood, many times. Facebook posts such as "I work two jobs just to pay my rent and make ends meet; I'm not suffering from white privilege." "I don't understand that people don't feel equal when it seems to me, in my work and everywhere I go, that it's so diverse and I never come across racism". And "There's no racism in this village".

The fact that many of us rarely come across racism, witness it, or experience it, IS white privilege.

A white family is unlikely to experience walking round a department store with the security guard following them. A white family will never walk into a country pub for Sunday lunch and feel uncomfortable knowing they are being stared at because of skin colour. Or walk into a car showroom as a family and have the salesman walk right by them and pounce on the white family that enters 2 minutes later. You will never have to hear your partner explaining, when met by a professional, to be interviewed for a senior position, that the interviewer was surprised they are black, as they have such an English sounding name.

As a white woman, I had never experienced any of these situations either. But over the past decade or so, since married to a mixed heritage husband, I've witnessed all of these events and others, first hand.

These experiences have taught me what white privilege is.'