



Weekly News...

Friday 16th March 2018

STEMs Week

We've had a fantastic week this week focusing on our STEMs challenge. It was an Olympic inspired theme inspired by the recent Winter Olympics. The children were challenged to design their own bobsleigh, with the aim of being the fastest down the bobsleigh track. Year 1, 2 and 3 have been focusing on selecting the most suitable materials to use and improving their designs. Years 4, 5 and 6 children have extended their learning further by exploring how the weight distribution of the sleigh team might affect the speed down the track.

Alongside this design challenge, children have also visited our Olympic village to buy the materials needed for their sleighs, calculating percentage reductions, rounding to help estimations and recognising the correction coins to buy their materials.

After buying, making, testing and improving their sleighs all classes put forward an entry into today's assembly with Year 3 representing Switzerland the winners in KS1 and Jamaican designed by Year 6 in KS2.



Year N— Joseph Lamb

Year 3 — Bailey Muldowney

Year R— Jaxon Hodgkiss

Year 4 — Ellie May Wilson

Year 1— Megan Dobing

Year 5— Lily Farrugia

Year 2— Damian Hampton

Year 6— Thomas Gould



Year N— Freya Capewell

Year 3 — Jack Keay

Year R— Malika Raja

Year 4 — Nell Tunnicliffe

Year 1— Samuel Lally

Year 5— Alfie Dawson

Year 2— Adam Jones

Year 6— Tilly Stevens



Attendance

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| Nursery | Reception | Year 1 | Year 2 |
| 96% | 96% | 98.5% | 90% |
| Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
| 98% | 90% | 98.8% | 97% |

Best Class: Year 5

Mothers' Day

Thank you to everyone who joined us on Monday at our afternoon tea event for all RPA mums; it was great to see such a good turn out. The children really enjoyed making and selecting cakes for mums so it was smiles all round.

Easter events

Just a quick reminder about our forthcoming Easter events. For key stage 2 there is the decorated Easter egg competition, where children can bring in their decorated eggs. We always have a great selection of original designs and the children always put a great deal of effort into their entries. All eggs will be on display at our parent's lunch on Thursday 29th March, so everyone can enjoy looking at the designs. Entries however, must be in school by Wednesday 28th March ready for judging.

Key Stage 1 and EYFS children can design their own Easter bonnet ready to wear for our Easter bonnet parade which will take place on Tuesday 27th March (2:30pm). Parents are welcome to join us for this and further details will follow in next

Next Week's Diary Dates

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| Tuesday 20th March | Forest school Yr 3 |
| Tuesday 20th March | Forest school Yr 6 |
| Tuesday 20th March | Swimming Yr 3 |
| Wednesday 21st March | Year 1 café (from 2.15pm) |
| Thursday 22nd March | Pop up museum—Yr 3 & 4 (from 2:00pm) |
| Friday 23rd March | Zone assembly |
| Friday 23rd March | Sports Relief |