



Weekly News...

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.

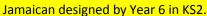
Alongside this design challenge, children have also visited our Olympic village to buy the materials needed for their sleighs,

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





Year N— Joseph Lamb

Year 3 — Bailey Muldowney

Year R— Jaxon Hodgkiss Year 4 — Ellie May Wilson Year 1— Megan Dobing

Year 2— Damian Hampton

Year 6— Thomas Gould

Year 5- Lily Farrugia

Year N— Freya Capewell

Year R— Malika Raja

Year 1— Samuel Lally

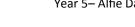
Year 2—Adam Jones

Year 3 — Jack Keay

Year 4 — Nell Tunnicliffe

Year 5– Alfie Dawson

Year 6— Tilly Stevens



Friday 16th March 2018 Attendance

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 entrees. All eggs will be on display at our parent's lunch on Thursday 29th March, so everyone can enjoy looking at the designs. Entrees 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

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 2:00pm)	Pop up museum—Yr 3 & 4 (from
Friday 23rd March	Zone assembly
Friday 23rd March	Sports Relief

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