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WEEKLY EXPRESS



Dear families,

We have enjoyed celebrating World Book Day all week (as books are everyday,

not just one day!). The children have had surprise reading visitors to their classrooms, special assemblies and online lessons and created some amazing Book in a Box entries that we have found so difficult to judge because they were so fantastic! Please see the back page for pictures of the winners with their wonderful creations.

Next week we are looking forward to British Science Week. The children are going to be trying to help Humpty Dumpty down from his wall using a variety of materials so that he doesn't break. Good luck, everyone! We look forward to seeing the pictures (and seeing the winning teams efforts) next week.

We are also looking forward to welcoming our Invictus athlete, Sean Gaffney on Monday 24th March-please see your inbox for more details sent out last week. The children will be completing a fitness circuit run by Sean and we are asking for sponsorship. The money raised for the event will help us to purchase new sports equipment and improve levels of physical activity in our school!

Have a wonderful weekend.

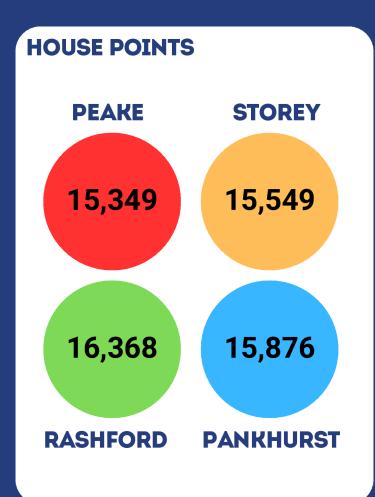
Mrs Tai

PUNCTUALITY

We have noticed an increase in the number of children arriving late for school each day. Being on time means that children are ready to start their lessons straight away and do not have to come in mid-way through a lesson. School starts at 8:50am with lessons starting straight away.

If you are running out of time in the morning, please remember we have our toast stations out in the playgrounds every day now, from the Rigil classroom door and KS1 gate so please do pop by and grab a slice (or two) of toast before school begins. A healthy breakfast makes a huge difference to a child's progress in school.

We are changing our late procedures slightly to support families where punctuality is an issue. If your child is late once a week, the office staff will enquire and support where necessary. Twice a week, Mrs Reynolds-Browne will contact families. Three or more times a week, Mrs Tai will be making contact with families to discuss next steps. We hope that by supporting families straight away, we can support our children to make continued progress in school. Thank you for your support.



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WEEKLY WINNERS

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week and Caught Being Kind winners this week.

Star of the Week: Caught being Kind:

Capella Class: Kingsley Capella Class: Kaiyah

Vega Class: Aubree **Vega Class:** Harry

Arcturus Class: Sienna Arcturus Class: Kailan

Rigil Class: Kaison Rigil Class: Thomas

Canopus Class: Alfie Canopus Class: Dylan

Sirius Class: Tyroy Sirius Class: Freya

Well done to Class Capella for winning the Attendance Award this week with 98.3% Keep it up!



IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 20th March - 3:30-5:00pm

Community Polytunnel and garden clear up

Monday 24th March - Sports Event - Great

Athletes Visit

Wednesday 26th March - Parent & Teacher

Consultation meetings

Thursday 27th March - 2:15-3:15pm Special

Person Afternoon for Canopus

Friday 28th March - Special Person Day in

celebration of Mother's Day for Y1-5 - times to

follow

Monday 31st March - 2:15-3:15pm Special

Person Afternoon for Capella

Wednesday 2nd April - 3:45pm Easter Egg

Hunt - ticket details to follow

Friday 4th April - End of term

SWIMMING ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations is in order for our Year 5 children for making progress in their swimming passports. With a special mention to

- Alex
- Elliott
- Oliver
- Nolan

for achieving Award 6! Well done!



Being part of our School Swimming provision entitles all pupils in swimming lessons to **free access** to any of the sessions called Public Swims on KAL timetables via the **School Swimming Access Card**



KAL Access cards are available to children in years 4 and 5. Please check your emails to apply.

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BOOK IN A BOX ENTRIES AND WINNERS





Well done to all our Book in a Box winners. The books displayed above included "The Very Hungry Caterpillar', 'Cristiano Ronaldo', 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe', 'Alice in Wonderland', 'The Gingerbread Man' and 'Spirit of the Titanic'. I think we can all agree they look fantastic!

BIGGEST EVER FOOTBALL SESSION

In 2022, The FA set an ambitious target for 75% of schools to deliver equal access to football in PE lessons. Whilst this target has been met, there is still a long way to go to break down long-term barriers and ensure girls and young women believe they belong in football and do not drop out. On Friday 7th March 2025, the fourth **Biggest Ever Football Session** took place in schools across England, encouraging girls to play the great game. Mr Barrett helped set up some girls only matches today to support the #LetGirlsPlay campaign.

