

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025**

### Head Teacher Message

Welcome back everyone, and happy new half term! I hope you all had a restful break and are ready to dive into an exciting few weeks in the lead up to Easter. We have already had several visitors to school this week; fire service, police and drummers! It is a busy half term with many trips, workshops and sporting fixtures planned. We have some very special guests arriving in Reception next week...the fluffy yellow kind! We can't wait to meet them!

As always, please continue to keep a close eye on your emails and Class Dojo for key dates over the coming weeks.



### Year 1 Exit Point



A police car made a stop on our playground on Monday to speak with Year 1 about safety and the role of the police in the community. The children were thrilled to explore the police car and learn about the different equipment inside, such as the sirens and radios. Officers explained how they help keep everyone safe and talked about the importance of following rules and being kind to others. What a great exit point to their topic 'A Day In The Life'.

### Kent Fire Safety Sessions

The Kent Fire Service visited our school this week to deliver educational sessions about fire safety with every year group.

During the visit, the children were engaged with fun and informative presentations, teaching them essential tips on how to stay safe in case of a fire.

They emphasised the importance of never leaving phones or other electronics plugged in for too long, as overheated devices can pose a serious fire risk. It was wonderful to see the children listen attentively and ask so many sensible questions.



### Around the school in pictures



### Attendance

This week's attendance figures

Class	%	Class	%
Tower	90	Golden Gate	95
Westminster	99	Lions Gate	99
Severn	98	Manhattan	95
Clifton	92	Ikuchi	93
Jubilee	97	Anji	95
Tyne	94	Auckland	94
Amb	92	Sea Cliff	89

Whole school attendance:  
94 %

### Drumming Workshops

Year 2 and 6 took part in a spectacular workshop this week learning about the history of African drumming and how to play rhythm patterns on djembe drums, traditionally a West African instrument.



### Music Lessons

Music Foundation for Schools run 1:1 lessons during school hours. If your child is interested in learning a woodwind or brass instrument see [here](#) for more information.

### Upcoming Dates

- 28<sup>th</sup> Feb – Sponsored Read Forms Coming Home!\***
- w/c 3<sup>rd</sup> March – Class Library Visits Continue** – See Class Dojo for more details
- 6<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day\*** – Children can dress up as their favourite book character. Author visit, with book sales after school in the playground
- \*Please see our email from 14<sup>th</sup> Feb for more detail**



# Star of the Week

## Our stars this week are:

Jadyn	Bill
Phoebe	Aziz
Florence	Taiyo
Reggi	Valencia
Damien	Yigitcan
Cecilia	Mia

Also a HUGE well done to Mia, who was awarded not one, but TWO Blue Peter badges! She earned these by learning lots of different musical instruments, and for her love of reading. These aren't easy to get, so WELL DONE MIA for your hard work! Very well deserved.

**CONGRATULATIONS & WELL DONE!**

