







Railway: Eda and Sofia *Clipper:* Freddy

Routemaster: Star Informed (3)

**Thames:** Brody Maritime: Aleksandr

Golden Hinde: Star Informed (3)

Cutty Sark: Matilda

Henry VIII: Star Informed (3)

Nelson: Luke

Sir Walter Rayleigh: Sophie Francis Drake: Olivia **Planetarium:** James Royal Observatory: Sonny

Royal Greenwich: Aiste and Artem Greenwich Meridian: Jomiloju



# ATTENDANCE FOR THE WEEK

The winners for this week from 28th February to 5th March 2020 are

**Royal Greenwich Class with 100%** 

**FANTASTIC, WELL DONE!!** 

The overall school total for the week was 95.27% our target is 97% - we need to try harder!

## **Gate Entrances**

Requests have been made from a number of staff and parents to ask everyone during the beginning and end of the day NOT to congregate around the gate/fence to have a chat or wave their child/ren off. This is adding to congestion, so we would ask you to move to the other side of the road. Thank you for your co-operation.

### For Year 5 Children

For children currently in Year 5, Parents/Carers are invited to attend a short presentation providing information on the school journey for June 2021 on Tuesday 10th March at **3.40pm** in a Year 5 Classroom.

We have been made aware of two recent attempted thefts of cars in the surrounding roads - the last happening during school pick-up time. Please make sure you lock your vehicle and make police aware of any suspicious behaviour, phoning 999 if there is an immediate concern.

# **Crown Woods Dance**

A massive congratulations and well done to all the children who took part in the dance production last night! You were all amazing and danced brilliantly. I am so proud of each and every one of you. I hope you are all proud of yourselves as last night you shone! Well done again, Mrs Helps x

### Friday 6th March 2020

What a week! It started with our half-marathon on Sunday, thank you to all the staff and families who took part in, or supported, the event; together we have raised a staggering £1766 for the school, making all the blisters worthwhile! We then all thoroughly enjoyed the magic of World Book Day yesterday - Miss Peabody's surprise and a visit from some majestic owls - linked to this year's nocturnal theme; after all there are few greater pleasures than cuddling up together and sharing a book before bedtime. Finally, our dancers wowed their audience at Thursday's SCWA dance production, and were a real credit to the school - well done to each of you, Ms Helps and the staff who worked hard to put on such an amazing show. I think we have all earnt a rest this weekend! Sarah Stewart

# Whole School Science Workshop

A reminder that the workshop will take place in school on Monday 9th March, we are asking a contribution of £2 per child which can be found on the parent mail app. Thank you to those that have already paid.

Please note that if your child has any allergies to animal hair, please let their class teacher know or admin@montbelle.org.uk, thank you

### **Green Team news**

The Green Team have been busy working towards their third project on food sustainability. We carried out some in-school research to find out where our food waste goes and were pleased to learn that all our lunch time waste is composted. We are now planning ways to ensure that our fruit waste and teacher's food waste is composted too.

Please be aware that there is a local litter pick taking place this Saturday - if you would like to be involved in ensuring our local area remains 'Green' then please see details below:

## **Coldharbour Community Litter Pick** Saturday 7th March 2020

Meet 10am outside the Coldharbour Police Base, William Barefoot Drive Litter Pickers and gloves provided Wrap up warm! Refreshments provided afterwards Please RSVP Cllr Roger Tester on mobile 07534369197 or roger.tester@royalgreenwich.gov.uk

# **Curriculum Afternoon** Friday 13th March 2020 at 2pm

School will be open at 2pm for all parents and carers. including Nursery PM, to join children in their classroom for an afternoon of Science activities. Children may leave at 3pm with their own parent/carers. Pre-school children are welcome to attend.

Nursery AM: parents and carers are welcome to attend at 10am, Children may leave at 11am with their own parent/carer.

### **Individual/Family Photographs**

Please remember to order your child's photograph by midnight 9th March 2020, to avoid postal charges, using the website: www.tempest-orders.co.uk using your 10digit reference and code: SEW619. NO orders will be collected in school. Thank you.

Headlice There have been a few cases of headlice reported this week. Please take the time to check your child/ren's hair this weekend and treat them if necessary, Thank you. http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/headlice/pages/treatment.aspx

# WES 100 Violets Exhibition – Saturday 21st March 2020

There is a fantastic opportunity for children and families to meet real engineers from across the industry for a free, family-friendly, interactive exhibition (suitable for children of any age, although targeted more towards those aged around 7 and up) on Saturday 21st March 2020. The exhibition will be at the Brunel Museum in London (SE16 4LF) and will run from 11am – 4.30pm. Please see website (www.wes.org.uk/100violets) for more information



**School News...** Read about the exciting activities each phase group has been up to over the past week...

### **Foundation Stage**

Nursery This week we have continued our learning on Minibeasts. We read the book Mad about Minibeasts and looked at all the different minibeasts there are. The children got to draw a minibeast of their choice and talk about why it's their favourite and anything they know about that minibeast. During our PE time we looked at moving in different ways like all the minibeasts e.g. dance like a bee, scuttle like a woodlouse or flutter like a butterfly. We looked at numbers to 10 or 20 and counted the minibeasts on each numeral as it showed the quantity for each number. We then looked at using our magic pens to practise writing the numeral and used our fingers to represent the number. The children were introduced to Miss Peabody and shown pictures of when Miss Peabody came to visit Montbelle last year as she had left us all a letter to read. It turned out we needed to go to an assembly where there were some very special guests... Owls!! The children got to meet different owls and then they all got the opportunity to have their photo taken with them. The children loved wearing their Pis as part of World Book Day and our nocturnal theme, we then read lots of stories and made nursery cosy as if it was bedtime. It is Science week next week and we look forward to doing lots of different experiments and hope to see lots of you on Friday for our Science Open Classroom. Have a lovely weekend!

Reception This week the children have really enjoyed learning about a variety of Minibeasts. The children have had the opportunity to observe spiders, slugs and ants and have created their own fact books about them. They have participated in group discussions, when they have asked questions and shared the facts they have learnt with their friends. The children have also spent time learning about money and playing in our role play areas in groups. Everyone looked amazing in their pyjamas for World Book Day and the children all enjoyed our special activities throughout the day.

#### **Key Stage One**

Year 1 Thank you for sending your child in in their pyjamas and onesies yesterday. We had such a magical day celebrating World Book Day together. We loved meeting the owls and writing fact files and making collage pictures of our favourite owl. In English this week we have been recapping the days of the week and using these days to write diary entries about different worlds we have discovered through our book 'Return'. In Maths we have been exploring number families and writing addition and subtraction number sentences. Our Geography learning had us researching facts about the Indian Ocean and the Arctic Ocean. And we continued our learning of colours in French and created and labelled French flags. It has been a busy and fun week. Have a lovely weekend! Year 2 We have certainly had another exciting week in year two with a surprise visit from some owls sent by Miss Peabody from the Library of Everything. The children were so excited to see and learn all about the owls and wrote some amazing fact files about everything they learnt. In Maths the children have been looking at tally charts and pictograms and thinking about how to compare data. Next week we will begin our work on telling the time to O'clock, half past and quarter past the hour and be solving time-based problems. We are looking forward to Science week next week when we will be exploring the theme 'our diverse planet' and looking into what makes a volcano as well as building our own. Thank you for all the resources you have brought in for us to use in school, we look forward to using them all in our Science lessons next week.

### Key Stage Two ...

**Year 3** The practising of Tempest scenes is going very well with some children blowing us away with the amount of time they have put into learning their lines. When children have not been involved in a scene, they have been creating a writing resource book to improve access to common exception spellings to ensure accuracy. Next week, we will begin to practise Act 2 and our writing genre will be instructions. In maths, we've continued with times tables along with a new topic on statistics. We'd like to congratulate those who have already reached Gold status in times tables, showing good understanding of both multiplication and corresponding division facts. Our week culminated with a bar chart, based on our favourite books which supported our love for books and World Book Day. Next week we will be working with measure. In History we have focused on Tutankhamun and the children drew some amazing images and began to learn about his short life, which we shall continue with. In Science, we looked at the three main functions of our skeleton. Next week we shall be engaged in Science Week and we will look forward to seeing you for Curriculum Afternoon next Friday.

Year 4 Another strong week from Year 4 with the undoubted highlight for all of us being the owl demonstration on World Book Day and the opportunity for each of us to have our photograph taken with a barn owl on our shoulder! In mathematics we continued our work on fractions, learning how to add fractions - next week will see us subtracting fractions and calculating fractions of an amount. It's been a busy week in English too with plenty of writing opportunities - including character descriptions, play scripts and poetry - inspired by Oliver and the Seawigs with the children producing some great pieces along the way. Next week will be Science Week and we're looking forward to welcoming as many of you as possible to the curriculum afternoon on Friday. Have a great weekend everyone!

Year 5 In Maths this week, the children have gained a secure understanding on how to add and subtract fractions with different denominators involving up to three fractions. Next week the children will be developing their knowledge on how to add and subtract mixed number fractions. In Literacy, using a variety of resources, the children researched the Amazon, including animals, climate, layers, plants, rivers and tributaries, destruction and dangers. Next week, the research will be used to write a non-chronological report about the Amazon Basin. In Science, we continued to find out more about our Solar System; describing and drawing the planets in order and discussing why Pluto was reclassified as a dwarf-planet. In our History lesson this week, the children became Anglo-Saxon spies to investigate what made the Viking long boats so successful for invasions and for trading - we also captured a Viking warrior for questioning to gain an even better understanding. Planetarium Class would like to thank all the parents, carers, relatives and friends who were able to come to our assembly! And, of course, a huge well done to all the dancers for last night's wonderful performance at Crown Woods Dance; the children represented the school beautifully! Have a lovely and restful weekend. Year 6 The week began with the children demonstrating a fantastic understanding of percentages. They have been finding fraction equivalents, converting them and finding percentages of amounts. The children applied their knowledge to solve word problems, showcasing their deeper level of understanding. In English, the children have written in role about the day they arrived on the moon Pandora. They have worked hard to use all the features of writing a diary entry, as well as making their work engaging for the reader. It was great to see the children embracing World Book Day by entering into the spirit of wearing their pyjamas. We had a special assembly, in which we met some incredible owls; we learnt about their features, where they came from and how they fly. Finally, well done to all our amazing Crown Woods dancers. We are all extremely proud of you and we hope you thoroughly enjoyed yourselves! Have a great weekend.

School Dinners: w/c 09/03/2020 week 2 School dinner monies for term 24/02/20 to 03/04/20 £60.00

### Class Assemblies – Tuesday's at 10am

28<sup>th</sup> April Thames Class (1JA) 16<sup>th</sup> June Maritime Class (1AB) 14<sup>th</sup> July Henry VIII (3JW)

### **Dates for your diary**

9th March
10th March
13th March
23rd March
Year 5 parents – School Journey Meeting
Curriculum Afternoon – Science Focus
Year 5 – School Trip, uniform and healthy packed lunch required, required into school between 8.20-8.30am.

24<sup>th</sup> March Parents Evening 3.30-6pm – *more* 

information to follow in due course

26<sup>th</sup> March Parents Evening 3.30-5.30pm – *more* 

information to follow in due course.

27<sup>th</sup> March Parent Forum at 2pm 31<sup>st</sup> March Year 6 School Trip SENCO Surgery

2<sup>nd</sup> April LKS2 Performance to Parents/Carers at 10am

and 2pm.

3<sup>rd</sup> April End of Term 2.20/2.30pm finish