



Friday 14th February 2020

Fabulous Footballers!



Dear Parents/Carers,

As we prepare for the half term break, there is much exciting news to share:

PTA: We are really pleased to announce that **Sarah Hodson** has agreed to stand as Chair and **Becky Massam** as Vice-Chair for the PTA. With the wonderful organisation and team support from committee and class reps, our PTA will again be on firm ground.

Staff news: This week we welcomed **Mrs Jarrett** as our new Receptionist. Please say hello to her on the phone and when you pop in with messages—she'll begin to link children and families together very soon.

Mrs Edwards will be returning to work full-time after the half-term break, so will be seeing more of Class 6 and completing her leadership work. **Mrs Garrett** has now started her maternity leave—we wish her well as she completes final preparations for Baby Garrett's arrival.

Football news: Congratulations to our footballers who had success in their matches this week: Win against Ightham and draw against St Johns!

Internet Safety: This week there has been much attention in the press, across the country and in our school about using the wonderful opportunities of the internet. Families need to grapple with this, as well as children and staff. There are a number of age-appropriate resources to help guide and guard children in the online world. Please take time over the half term break to think and talk about concerns and how to stay safe.

Our @40acts Generosity Challenge will start in school on Wed 26th February. Families can join in at home <https://40acts.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/40-Family-Wallchart-2020-v2.pdf>

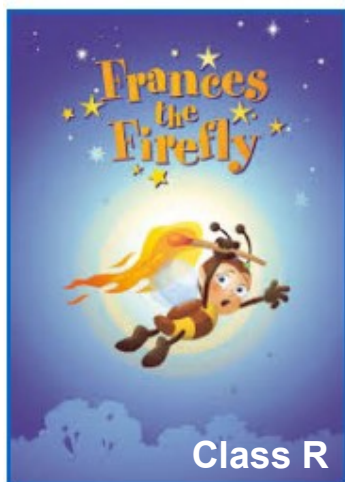
With best wishes—especially for a lovely half-term break!
Miss Minnis

Christian Values

Our values are centred on God and acknowledge some characteristics modelled in the Bible: **LOVE, FAITH, FORGIVENESS, PERSEVERANCE, COMPASSION, HONESTY, RESPECT, COURAGE.** This week, we are recognising these children for upholding particular values:

Darcie K FAITH	R	For believing and challenging herself in her writing
All of Class 1 COURAGE & PERSEVERANCE	1	For doing so well in their latest phonics test
Autumn J PERSEVERANCE	2	For remaining focussed in all her learning
Jonathan P COMPASSION	3	For being there for a friend and comforting them (giving them a lovely hug) when they were sad
All of Class 4 All of Our Values	4	For displaying all the Chevening values during our trip to London
All of Class 5 COURAGE	5	For going on stage at Sevenoaks Stag Theatre on Internet Safety Day.
Patrick B COURAGE	6	For making a big change and having the courage to explain how it has helped him

Class R have learnt about fire safety and the dangers of fire through the book 'Frances the Firefly'. They also learnt about how to make a '999' call in an emergency.



Class R

Class 4 were lucky enough to visit the Tutankhamen Exhibit at the Saatchi Gallery, as part of their learning on Ancient Egypt. The children did all of Chevening very proud with their behaviour and attitude to learning. Well done Class 4!



Class 4

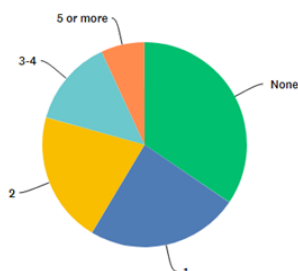
On-line Survey

Please have a go at the latest online survey by class 5 using this link. <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/QTsb3SB> We would love to find out about how our parents, carers and staff also use the internet.

Here is a small sample from one of the pupil surveys.

How many devices do you have in your bedroom?

Answered: 29 Skipped: 0



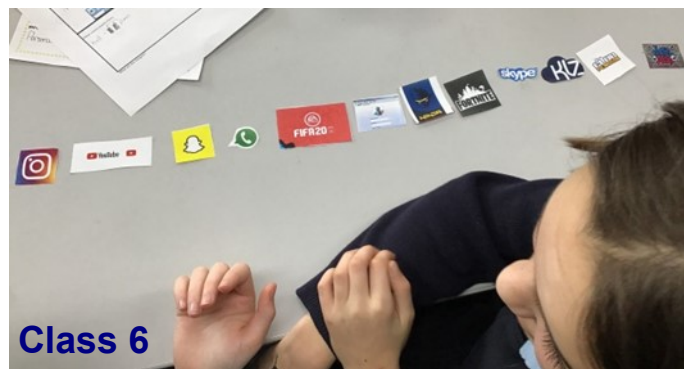
Online Safety

Class 5 have been very busy with all things 'internet safety' this week. This involved a lot of cross-curricular work - from going to a workshop at the Stag arranged by Sevenoaks Parish Council; giving presentations to years 1-6 (see photos); designing and analysing an e-safety survey; constructing activities for pupils; all the way to writing to people about their concerns. (Staff, parents, Sevenoaks council and the DfE may well receive a letter or two!)



Class 5

Class 6 have been looking at different mobile phone apps. I wonder how many of these logos you recognise? Which do you think have the most dangers to be aware of? Why not rank them, as this pair in Class 6 have done? Why would you put certain ones higher or lower than others?



Class 6



**Class 5
presenting to
Class 3**

Class Attendance

Regular and punctual attendance ensures that everyone benefits from all that is on offer in school—socially, emotionally and academically, now and into the future.

	Weekly Attendance	Year to Date Attendance
Class R	90.4%	96.8%
Class 1	96%	97.5%
Class 2	98.3%	96.8%
Class 3	90.3%	97.7%
Class 4	95.3%	97.4%
Class 5	95.8%	96.8%
Class 6	96.5%	96.4%
Whole School	94.6%	97.1%
Excellent	>97%: Celebration of excellent attendance	
Good	95-97%: Note of good attendance	
Poor	<95%: Alert to poor & worrying attendance	

Reading Workshop

Our next workshop will be at **9am on Weds 4th March, with a focus on Reading.** This will tie in with our Book Week celebrations and learning, as well as our Scholastic Book Fair. Please book in via the School Office to secure your place.



SALT & light

This week we have considered some of Jesus' teaching to his disciples and looked at how we can apply his wisdom in our words actions on-line and off-line.

We also looked at Jesus' welcoming attitude to children and the instruction in James: "Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example ...in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity."

Affirmations for TheirVoice



Thank you to the parents/carers for placing quick orders for Class 5's Affirmations Book. Proof copies are available for previewing in the School Office Porch.

Please do take a look and register your interest in purchasing one/more by letting the School Office know. Should we gain enough interest, we will try to place another order after the half term break.

There are two versions available on www.lulu.com: -
-A5 'pocket' version: a lovely gift! £4.50 each.
-Special (long) Edition (>100pages): Cass 5's contributions of art and author information. £5.50 each.

The books are available at cost price, but we are asking if there are any parents who would be willing to do a reverse '**BOGOF**' offer. This time to Buy One for themselves and Give One to Their Voice for Free. This would make an enormous benefit to someone's well-being to start to see and read that they are loved, cherished and strong... despite all they have been through.

Dates Ahead

Date	Event
17th - 21st Feb	Half-Term
24th Feb	Term 4 Begins
25th Feb	Netball League - 4 pm Knole
28th Feb	Class 1 Cake Sale 3:15 pm
2-6th March	Book Fair - 3:15 pm - Library
4th March	Y3 Kent Life Museum
4th March	Reading Workshop - 9 am
5th March	National Book Day
11th March	Hearing and Vision Screening YR
20th March	Class R Leeds Castle
24th March	Westerham Music Festival Y3 - Concert at 5 pm
26th March	HiStory Troupe
1st April	Inset Day - No children in school
2nd - 15th April	Easter Holidays
16th April	Term 5 Begins