



Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a very busy and exciting week in school!

This week we have been celebrating Science Week and the children have been fully immersed in a wide range of exciting scientific learning. We started the week in style by inviting everyone to dress as “crazy scientists.” There were some fantastic costumes, colourful wigs and wonderfully creative ideas on display. Thank you to all families for supporting this and helping the children start the week with such enthusiasm. All classes took part in brilliant science workshops, where the children watched live experiments and even became scientists themselves. They enjoyed taking part in hands-on investigations including standing inside giant bubbles and creating electrical circuits. The workshops sparked lots of curiosity and excitement across the school. Throughout the week, every year group has also been learning about a range of inspiring scientists including Thomas Edison, Steve Backshall, David Attenborough and Eva Crane. It has been wonderful to see the children discovering how these individuals have contributed to science and the natural world. Our Year 6 pupils also had a special visit from the Rainham Mark Science teachers, who led a fantastic CSI-style investigation. The children explored evidence, analysed clues and worked together to identify the suspect. It was a highly engaging session and the pupils showed excellent teamwork and problem-solving skills. Across the school, children have been busy carrying out many different experiments during the week. These included investigating how ice melts, creating volcano explosions, exploring how solids dissolve in liquids and placing dye in plants to observe how water travels through them. The classrooms have certainly been full of curiosity, questions and excitement!

Alongside Science Week, we have also enjoyed other special moments in school. Kingfishers Class (Year 1) shared a wonderful class assembly with us. The children spoke confidently about their learning and proudly shared their beautiful artwork inspired by Piet Mondrian’s abstract style. We were very impressed with their confidence and creativity.

We also welcomed parents into school for an OPAL play afternoon. It was lovely to share our lunchtime play offer with you and show how the children engage with the different activities. The OPAL programme has had a really positive impact on our lunchtimes.

Some of our pupils also represented the school at the Netball Mini Youth Games this week. They played brilliantly, showing excellent teamwork and supporting one another throughout the competition. We are very proud of their sportsmanship.

Finally, we have celebrated two wonderful performances from our pupils this week. Our Shakespeare Club performed their version of *The Tempest* at the Woodville Hall in Gravesend. The children spoke clearly, acted confidently and demonstrated just how much effort they have put into rehearsals this year. They should be extremely proud of their achievements. Our Year 2 pupils also visited Chatham Theatre to take part in the Choral Festival, where they performed a selection of songs with great enthusiasm, confidence and smiles. It was a joy to see them representing the school so beautifully.

Well done to all of our children for their enthusiasm, effort and fantastic behaviour this week. Thank you also to our staff and families for your continued support in making these experiences possible.

We look forward to another great week ahead.

Warm regards,

Mrs Robson

2025-2026

Term 4

**Friday 13th March
2026**

Upcoming Events:

**17.3 – Parents
Evening 3:30pm-
6:30pm**

**18.3 – Parents
Evening 3:30pm-
6:30pm**

**18.3 Foxes Class
Assembly 8:55am**

**20.3 – Comic Relief –
‘Crazy Hair Day’.**

**23.2 – Rocksteady
Assembly to parents
at 2:30pm (children
doing Rocksteady
only)**

**24.3 – Year 2 trip to
the Guildhall
Museum**

**24.3 – SATs Parent
Meeting at 2:30pm**

**27.3 – FS Stay and
Read session at
2:45pm**



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Shakespeare Performance

