

Dear Parents/Carers,

Beyond the formal aspects of education, there are so many reasons why the routines of the school day will help to contribute to learning and prepare our children for their future lives. Therefore attendance and punctuality really need to be seen as important by parents and carers as well as the pupils themselves.

I have been really impressed with the effort of one or two of our older pupils whom have turned around punctuality issues and now ensure that they get into school on time every day. This not only makes the most of their time in school but also builds good habits for secondary school and beyond.

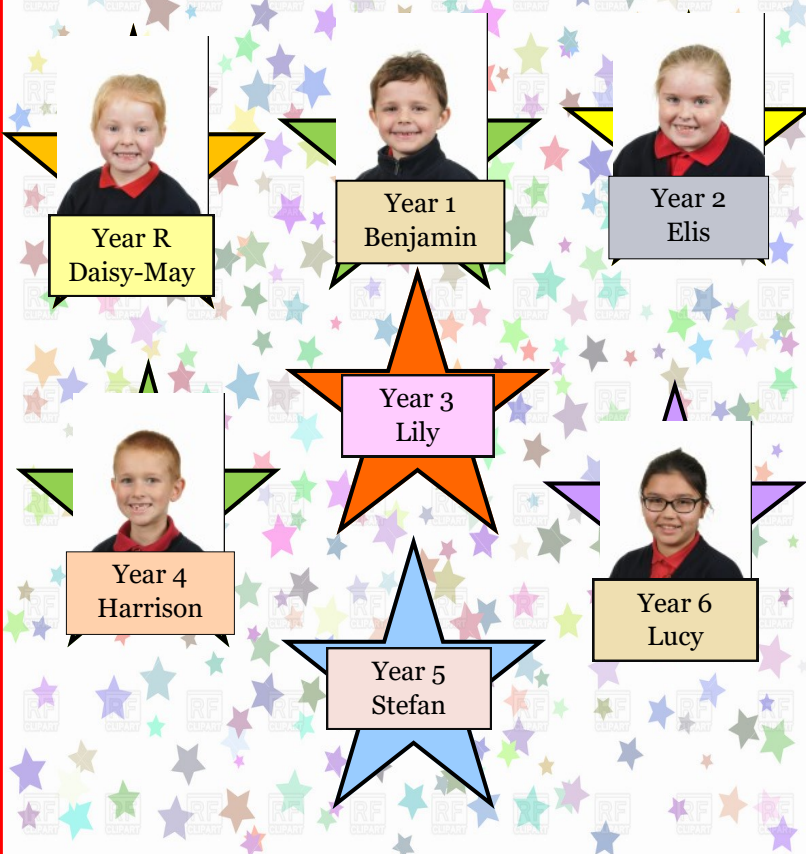
We do, however, still have a significant number of pupils who struggle to get to school on time and many whose attendance is below 90%. A short illness or; forbid the thought, a holiday in term time can really bring down a pupil's percentage however, as the year progresses we see that these numbers are not improving as much as we would hope they do.

Maybe you can recall the exact lesson when some element of maths or science just came clear for you. Please err on the side of positivity and try and get your children in to school and on time. Don't risk them missing the lightbulb moment that might make the difference between feeling confident in an area of learning or struggling.

Mr F.E Westmorland

Well done to our Stars this week!

These children have impressed their class teachers in some way during this week, well done to all of them!



Punctuality Pup and Attendance Ted!



Ted will go to Kerr in KS1 with 93.1% attendance and Walliams in KS2 with an amazing 99%, they are the proud keepers of Ted!

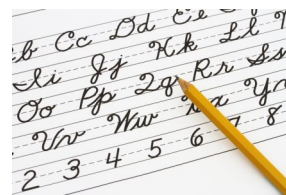


Pup will go to Kerr and Shakespeare this week with the fewest amount of late marks

Well Done!

~Most Improved Writers~

Year R- Mia
Year 1- Liam
Year 2- Kyron
Year 3- Kamile
Year 4- Rylee-Jay
Year 5- Bailey-Rae
Year 6- Logan



Well Done!

Year	Good to be Green	Attendance 06/01 to 10/01
		100%
Donaldson	15/17	12/16
Fletcher	28/30	22/30
Kerr	23/29	23/29
Walliams	24/30	27/29
Morpurgo	27/29	22/28
Shakespeare	26/30	24/30
Cowell	26/27	25/28

Watoto Children's Choir

On Wednesday Years 3,4 and 6 got the opportunity to watch the Watoto Children's Choir who visited the Folkestone Life Church all the way from Uganda. The Watoto Choir was set up to give orphaned children new lives with a family to look after them.

The children got the chance to hear some of the stories from those in the choir, listen to their songs and even dance along with them.



Congratulations to Morpurgo who are the winners of Reader class of the Week, keep up with the excellent reading!



Cowell are the winners of this week's Walk On Wednesday, congratulations!

To Note:



- ◆ On Wednesday 29th January Year 4 will be visiting Canterbury Mosque. The cost of the trip is £3.70 to cover the cost of the bus tickets. Please ensure you return the consent form to the office as soon as possible.
- ◆ If you have changed your mobile number or other contact details, please inform the school straight away. It is important that you are always contactable in the event of your child being unwell or if we need to inform you of any cancellation of after school events etc.
- ◆ Year 5 Kingswood Residential payments - Please ensure the £40 deposit is paid by the 14th February.
- ◆ Phase 1 will be visiting Hastings Sealife Centre on the 10th February. We ask that the payment of £12.50 to cover the admission and coach is made by 31st January, thank you.

Year 6 Dungeness Trip

Year 6 had an amazing trip to Dungeness Power station last week. The visitor centre had lots of fun electricity-related activities for them to take part in and they worked very well as a team.

The visitor centre were so impressed with Year 6's behaviour that they have invited both Years 5 and 6 back to visit on the 31st January for a science show! Well done for your outstanding behaviour Year 6! *(The trip is free, please ensure you return the consent slip to the office)*

