

Message from the office

If your child is in receipt of free school meals, you **MUST** re-apply by visiting the website <https://www.cloudforedu.org.ofsm/medway>.

This needs to be done before **31st March**. Please pop into the school office if you need help with completing online.

A reminder about mobile phone changes. If your mobile number has changed could you please inform the office ASAP so you can continue to receive updates from our text system.



If your child is off sick, remember to call the office on the same day to notify the school and also a follow up letter when your child returns.

Can you please ensure that your child's uniform, PE kit and coat is labelled with their name as we have a number of items left by children in places other than their classroom and it is then difficult to identify who the items belong to.

Every now and then we have the local papers come into school to take photos of children and the school to celebrate different events and activities. If you don't want your child's picture to be taken please contact the office.



March Dates

Friday 18th March

Office Fund Raising Day

Year 3 Assembly 9.15am

Thursday 24th March

Year 4 performance

Friday 25th March

Good Friday

Monday 28th March

Easter Monday

Wednesday 30th March

Open Morning

Monday 4th April—Friday 15th April 2016

Half term break



Celebration Newsletter

Message from the Head Teacher

On Wednesday the 30th March we would like to invite parents into school for our open morning. This is an opportunity for you to look through the pupils books and discuss learning with their class teachers. The morning will begin at 9:00am and further details will follow closer to the date.

A special mention goes out to those year 6 pupils coming in earlier in the morning and after school for extra tuition to support their learning. Pupils in year 6 are working extremely hard to prepare for their SATs exams. Keep up the hard work!

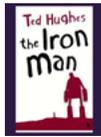
The newsletter can also be viewed on our webpage,

the address is below.

www.lutonjuniorschool.co.uk

Year 3

Year 3 are currently enjoying the topic of Iron man. In our previous newsletter we mentioned that we had been visited by characters from the Ted Hughes novel. This was very much enjoyed by the children. This week the children have been working on their persuasive letters and on fractions. Please ask your child's teacher to see their work as we are very proud of them all!



Our special mentions this week are

In 3W – Bailey for this outstanding effort in reading. Bailey has been very dedicated to improving his reading skills and this is showing in all aspects of his work! Well done Bailey and please keep it up!

In 3K – Calum for effort with his writing. Calum has tried extremely hard to use a wide range of vocabulary in his writing while also making sure that he is using conjunctions. Well done Calum, we are all extremely proud of you!

In 3H – Izabela for her effort in class. Izabela has tried hard to make sure that all of her work is of a high standard and that it is presented neatly. Keep this up Izabela! Well done to all of our special mentions this week! We are very proud of you and look forward to seeing your names on here again soon.

Thank you to all parents who were able to attend our assembly today. We hope you enjoyed seeing what the children have been learning. They work incredibly hard and we are delighted that you got to share this with them today.

Please continue to read with your child everyday, it makes a huge difference to their learning in school. Can we remind parents that children should be wearing proper school uniform everyday and their names should be on their uniform too.

Thank you for your continued support.

Year 4

Year 4 have had a very active past couple of weeks. First was visiting the Kent Life Museum. Pupils were able to immerse themselves in Roman life and culture. The staff were fantastic and placed themselves very much in the mind set of their Roman characters. This gave the pupils a great opportunity to ask questions about Roman life and culture which gave them a certain understanding of what it was like in Roman times. Eyebrows were raised from what they ate to seeing how they lived. The highlight was seeing our Year 4's trying to explain, quite enthusiastically, to the Roman characters what electricity and the internet was and how it worked.

This trip has helped engage the pupil's curiosity into their topic and has greatly encouraged a lot of questioning. Year 4 are also currently working on their performance titled 'The Roman Invasion' which we will be inviting parents along to see on Thursday 24th March, a letter will be sent out soon.

Alongside this, the school has been lucky to receive a donation of saplings. Year 4 planted theirs on Monday with the hope that they will last for many years to come. Many thanks to the parents who came along and supported us for the event,. Hopefully it was not too cold.

From the teachers, special mentions go to Portia and Paige from 4HL who have both earned Bronze Awards for their efforts in Athletics. Also to Keegan and Jake from 4HL who have had the confidence to ask many a question and answer them in turn with regards to their current topic.

Hopefully not too much ;-)



Year 5

Taking inspiration from our class novel Floodland, by Markus Sedgwick, Year 5 dived into a Geography Global Warming Day. Learning about Global Warming itself and why and how it happens quickly led to our year 5 students taking part in small group debates, brainstorming conclusions to this world problem and examining case studies of solutions around the world.



Having completed our fractions topic, we will now be using what we learned to apply to the clock – It's time for time! Solving problems with time and ensuring that time-reading is done with confidence is the current aim in Maths.

Congratulations to the recent efforts in 5M go to Sofia Pohlodkova, Tommy Christopher and Oskar Chyc-Mulik in email writing and French, to Adama Kouyate for continuous effort on bug club and Sharonha Harris for her improvements in handwriting in 5C and Rudolf Balog for his brilliant final draft of his email this week in 5V. Finally, we have been using talk partners to improve our work. Models of great partnered work have been: Dominika Holubova and Charlie Finch, Alfie Gutsell and Romany Stephenson and Sebastien Bango and Elizabeth Pulicarova!



Year 6

The year 6 team would like to use this opportunity to say well done to all the children for their exceptional resilience and perseverance. We are busy preparing for the SATs tests in reading, mathematics and SPAG. We are pleased by the number of pupils committed to extending their learning outside of school hours. We would encourage all parents/carers to support their children in the weeks leading up to the SATs so that they can achieve their full potential.

On Tuesday 15th March 2016, the year 6 pupils went on a school trip to Rochester, visiting the Guildhall Museum, Rochester Castle and grounds. The children really enjoyed learning about the history of Rochester and Rochester Castle. Some were lucky enough to try on some replicas of the armour used by the Normans during that time. The children immersed themselves in the activities at the Guildhall Museum, engaging in discussions about the past. They thoroughly enjoyed the day and the opportunity to learn about local history.

Normally we would mention specific children to celebrate their learning and achievements, however we feel that every child is working extremely hard at the moment. Well done to everyone in year 6!

