



The 4 Bees Newsletter

'Life in all its Fullness': Believing ~ Being Our Best ~ Being Creative ~ Belonging



Attendance Matters!

We are proud to say that year-to-date attendance in our school, at **95.7%**, remains above national average (94.5%) - well done to all our families for encouraging their children to have a positive attitude to their learning and attending school. Please see below the half-termly attendance figures—congratulations to **Marlins Year 5 who are our Hot Chocolate Winners this half-term!**

Year Group	Half-termly Attendance
Reception	96.87%
Year 1	96.9%
Year 2	94.31%
Year 3	93.92%
Year 4	94.51%
Year 5	98.88%
Year 6	97.86%



Stage 1 of the sandpit completed—we are hoping it doesn't turn into a paddling pool!!!



We are excited to announce that we are soon to become a 'MarvellousMe' School! MarvellousMe is a parent engagement app that will help us share positive news about your child's learning and achievements. It allows teachers to send updates, rewards, and messages directly to parents and carers, keeping you informed and involved in your child's education.

Key Features for Parents and Carers:

- Real-time Updates** – Receive notifications about your child's progress, achievements, and classroom activities.
- Praise and Rewards** – See when your child earns badges, housepoints or positive feedback.
- Curriculum Insights** – Stay informed about activities in class or whole school/key stage events.
- Messaging** – the app can be used to send messages or reminders.
- Sharing** – the app can be shared with other family members, such as grandparents.

Staff will be receiving training the week after half-term so we are hoping to launch the site shortly after that. If you would like to be prepared you can download the **MarvellousMe for Parents app**, or join online at www.marvellousme.com. After half-term you will receive your unique joining code and instructions on how to log-in to your account. We are very excited to be able to share your child's achievements with you and being able to celebrate 'Life in all its Fullness' together!



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Bee Kind Winners

- Reception**— Ava
- Year 1**— Nate
- Year 2**— Callum
- Year 3**— Ivy
- Year 4**— Etienne
- Year 5**— Arsenii
- Year 6**— Jack



Headteacher's Awards

Reception	Jack
Year 1	All of them!
Year 2	Ella
Year 3	Akbar
Year 4	Phoebe
Year 5	Lenox
Year 6	Immanuel

We look forward to seeing lots of you at our Celebration Worship tomorrow along with Octopus' Class assembly! Please come and join us for our 'Coffee Catch-Up' at 8.45am before our Worship starts at 9.05am.



Wishing you all a very happy half term break and we look forward to seeing everyone back and refreshed on Monday 24th February. Mrs Vessey



Get that resilience rolling!



On Tuesday morning, we were very lucky to welcome Thommy and his friend 'NED' to our assembly for an inspiring resilience workshop. Thommy captivated the children with his incredible yo-yo tricks, magic, and balloon sculptures whilst teaching them the importance of perseverance. His message tied in perfectly with our value of *Being Our Best* and not giving up when things are hard. The children learned that NED's name serves as a great reminder of how to achieve their goals: **N**ever give up, **E**ncourage others, **D**o your best. It was a fantastic and engaging session that left everyone feeling motivated and ready to take on new challenges!



Dates for your Diary

Class Assemblies (9.05am Friday):

Octopus Class — Tomorrow!

Marlin Class— Friday 28th February

Turtle Class— Friday 14th March

Starfish Class — Friday 21st March

Shark Class—Friday 28th March

Workshops open to all parents (at school):

Learning & Executive Function 26.2.25 3.30pm

Emotional Regulation 5.3.25 3.30pm

Non-School Uniform Day for Earth House Cup Winners for the Half-term—tomorrow!

Book Week Dress-up 'Wonderful Words' Day—Friday 7th March—
Celebration Worship 9.05am

One Plan Evening—Wednesday 12th
March 3.30-6.00pm

Parents' Evening—Wednesday 26th
March 3.00pm-7.00pm (times tbc)

Half-Term: 17th-21st February

Return to school on Monday 24th
February.

Free Yoga and Pret-A-Manger Food!

Please come and collect some free food from Pret-a-Manger between 6.00-6.15pm tonight, provided by Touchpoint. **Also, if you would like to try a free yoga session with Che, she is running sessions in our hall from 7-8pm every Wednesday.** Please bring a mat/step if you have one, if not these can be provided. Please wear loose clothing.



Scores on the Doors!

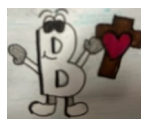
	Weekly Score	Half-Termly Score
Water	110	883
Fire	72	805
Earth	143	1,154
Air	98	871



Congratulations to **Earth** who have won the weekly total and for also being the half-termly winners. You have won a **non-school uniform day tomorrow** — please try and wear, or accessorise with, something green!

Collective Worship

This week the children learnt about the **Parable of the Mustard Seeds** (*Matthew, Mark and Luke*) and how it links to our value of 'Believing'. They then had a chance to grow their own mustard seeds during lunchtime!



Special Church Service at St Mary's of Birchanger

On Sunday 23rd February, St Mary's welcomes a special visitor in the form of Archdeacon Kate Peacock who will be officiating at the communion service at 11.15am. All our families are very welcome.

