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# **NEWSLETTER**

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## **Shakespeare Class Update**

This week, it is the turn of Shakespeare Class to tell you all about their term so far. So here goes...

We have continued to use Macbeth as our class text this term and we have written spells and diary entries using some amazingly gruesome vocabulary. We made our writing more interesting by using a range of clauses and sentence openers. We also celebrated Book Week and created Mr Men and Little Miss stories, which we made into a class book.

In maths, our main focus has been on data handling. We have learnt to draw and interpret line graphs. We can also read a variety of timetables and we are able to answer questions on them.

We have continued our work all about the Tudors in our topic lessons, learning all about Tudor ships, the Armada and researching Tudor life using the new laptops (they are great!).





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### Shakespeare Class Update Cont...

As you can see from the photographs, we have been having fun with lots of exciting experiments in science. At the moment, we are observing eggs on a daily basis to see the effects of keeping them in different liquids. We also made a bouncy egg by dissolving the shell with acid!

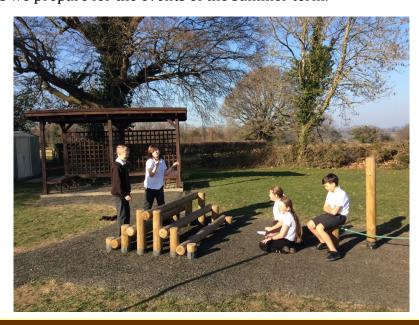




In our other subjects we have been enjoying hockey in PE, learning about different religions in RE and learning vocabulary related to our family and homes in France. Hopefully this will be useful when we go to France after Easter.

We have also been out and about this term. First we went to see Peter and the Wolf, then we took part in a workshop based on Mary Poppins. We also took part in the Easter Rewind event, along with other local schools.

What a busy bunch we are! Let's hope we can recharge our batteries over Easter with lots of delicious chocolate, as we prepare for the events of the summer term.



# **Darwin Class Assembly**

This week was Darwin's class assembly. We wanted to showcase our love for our topic over the past couple of terms, The Tudors! We even learnt some Tudor style dances and a song about Henry VIII's six wives. Well done to all of Darwin for putting on a fantastic show!



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### **Mary Poppins Workshop**

Shakespeare class was lucky enough to spend the afternoon at Dulwich Prep School last Friday. First, we watched the Year 7 and 8 Dulwich children perform a song and dance routine from Mary Poppins, called 'Step in Time' It took place on the rooftops of London and was sung by Bert and his other chimney sweep friends. For the rest of the afternoon, we learnt the song ourselves and finished off with a performance for our parents. We were exhausted at the end of it but a fantastic time was had by all. The Dulwich staff were amazed by how talented our children were and by their exceptionally good behaviour.



### Shakespeare Class Rewind Trip

Yesterday, Shakespeare Class was invited to attend an event called Easter Rewind at Hawkhurst Baptist Church, along with several other local schools. The event began with the children trying to guess the mystery celebrities, who had been disguised with Easter paraphernalia. Next we watched an Easter version of Henry's Cat, which was extremely funny,. We then learnt some unusual facts about Easter.

Did you know that in Germany, children give eggs to their parents on which they have written down the chores that they will do in the following year?



Following that, Shakespeare Class proudly took to the stage to present the facts of Palm Sunday to the other schools. They spoke loudly and clearly and were fantastic representatives for Sandhurst School. We then spent some time in small groups discussing Easter before moving into the hall where the children sowed cress seeds in golden eggs and painted designs on crosses. The event was great fun and the children were a pleasure to accompany. Well done Shakespeare!





### **Ofsted Banners**

Have you seen our fabulous new Ofsted banner outside of school this week? Look out for one near Mr Goodhew's fruit and vegetable shop too!



# Mrs Channon's Special Birthday Cake!



Amelia showed us her fantastic creative talents this week when she made this beautiful cake for Mrs Channon.

We were all so impressed - well done Amelia!

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#### **WOKSSA Netball Tournament**

On Tuesday 26th March, ten children from Shakespeare and Churchill classes (who attend Netball Club) went to High Weald Academy in Cranbrook, to compete in a netball competition against other small schools.

Amelia, Scarlet, Lexy, Holly, Oscar, Oliver, Alfred, Darcy, Ilona and Elsa played around five matches and although goals were scored by Holly and Oscar, we didn't win! However, we saw some old friends and we enjoyed taking part.



By Amelia Penfold.



Thank you to all of the parents / carers who transported and supported the children. Thank you to Miss Weeks again for accompanying the children.



### Easter Special Lunch - - Priced at £2.10

If your child doesn't normally have school dinners but would like to try this day, please send in £2.10.



### **Attendance & Punctuality**

As a reward for joint highest attendance in term 3, Churchill Class has had a relaxing Friday afternoon, chilling out with a film, laptops and snacks!







Class	Percentage Attendance
Potter	99.1
Nightingale	95.2
Darwin	96.5
Pankhurst	99.3
Shakespeare	100
Churchill	97.6

Congratulations to Shakespeare Class who have won Attendance Ted this week with 100%.

Pankhurst Class win Pup this week as they were the class with NO LATES together with the best attendance. Brilliant!

### A Special Ofsted celebration

In order to thank the children for all their hard work and to celebrate our amazing Ofsted result, we would like to invite them to have a special 'Golden Time' afternoon next Thursday.

During this time, staff will organise activities for children to choose. This will also include the chance to bring in scooters from home or a game to play. Children will also be given the chance to wear their own choice of clothes for the day too. As well as this, we will provide squash and a cake to finish off the afternoon in style! Your class teachers will do-jo you details next week. If your child cannot have cake or squash, please let your child's class teacher know so that we can organise an alternative.

### P & F Update

In true P&F style, we like to end on a high note at the end of term and you can't get any better than Easter and Chocolate!

Next Friday, 5th April, we will be holding two events. The first one is a decorate an egg competition. It is free to enter and will really help us get in the mood for Easter.

The competition is open to all year groups and there will be a prize for the best decorated egg in both KS1 and KS2. Your child can decorate their egg (a hard-boiled egg, a blown egg, even a papier mâché one) any way they like. Let them go crazy! Their masterpiece needs to be brought into the school hall before drop-off in the morning, along with the completed slip from the letter which came out this week, ready for judging.

Also on this day, we will also be holding a competition for your child to win their height in Easter eggs!

Each child may enter up to a maximum of three times and all you need to do is fill out a slip per entry. The letter came out this week and further copies are in school reception, containing the slip and details on how to pay to enter. It is £1 per entry. The prize draw and measuring will take place in assembly.

Good Luck!



### **Diary Dates**

29th Mar Darwin Class Assembly

P & F Mother's Day Sale

5th Apr Easter Service Mission Church

P & F Easter Tombola after school

End of Term 4

23rd Apr Term 5 Begins

23rd –26th Apr Year 5 & 6 Residential trip to Hardelot, France

10th May School Photo Day-Class Groups

13th-16th May SATs Week

13th May Full Governing Body Meeting

17th May Year 6 Reward trip

20th May Sports Week

22nd May Year 5 & 6 'Growing Up' talk

23rd May KS2 Inter-house Sports Afternoon

24th May Sports Day

End of Term 5

3rd Jun Children back to school

21st Jun Inset Day-children not in school

28th Jun Sponsored Welly Walk

4th Jul Move Up afternoon
5th Jul Reports to Parents

8th –12th Jul Meet the teacher after school
8th Jul Full Governing Body Meeting

12th Jul Leavers Assembly Mission Church

16th Jul Year 6 Dinner 6.30 p.m.18th Jul Attendance Assembly

19th Jul Year 6 Leaver's Assembly 9.00 a.m.

End of Term

22nd Jul INSET Day (children not in school)23rd Jul INSET Day (children not in school)