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# THE HEIGHTS HIGHLIGHTS

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been delighted to welcome different visitors to the school this week. The Head and Foundation Lead from Peppard Primary spent the morning with us on Monday and we've planned a joint pupil School/Eco Council meeting after half term. We were thrilled to take on Mrs Samantha Winton as a voluntary member of staff for two days a week (Tuesday and Wednesday) to help her build up experience before she begins her PGCE.

### Reception

In Reception we have been inspired and so excited by the thing we've learnt about birds this week and have experimented with pastels for drawing and shading to create these observational pictures of garden birds. Mrs Edwards came into our classroom and thought some of the pictures had been 'drawn' by adults! Can you believe that?!! We've also had fun in Science with Mrs Fallon learning about particles in solids.







## Year 1

We adore our Space topic and have found out the most amazing things about the Solar System. We were amazed to learn that when it's morning here in the UK it's night time in Australia. We've had lots of fund learning about capacity in Maths evaporation in Science.



## Year 2

We have been designing our own chocolate treats and bespoke wrappers. We've had to think about the ingredients, how we'd describe the chocolate and come up with a slogan. Rishi's was 'Bite it. Taste it. Gobble it.' In Maths we have learnt about fractions and learnt how to calculate a half and a quarter of a given number. We have looked again at our class information texts on Chocolate and have enjoyed Gymnastics in PE.

#### Year 3

Those of us who have volunteered to play Tag Rugby or Football against The Hill next Wednesday afternoon are really looking forward to it. We're walking there and back with myself, Mr Ellison, Mrs Fallon and Mrs Crisford and hope to start playing at 2pm. We are continuing with our Stone Age topic and have been learning about survival in this time period. We have learnt how to add and subtract pairs of two-digit numbers using different methods and have continued to read our class story Stone Age Boy. In Art we have been sketching animals and using chalks and charcoal to blend and shade our pictures.

#### Year 4

Our Roman Workshop on Monday day was great fun and the costumes everyone wore into school were fantastic, even those of the staff! In Maths we've been learning about Roman Numerals and sorting coins into what we thought were real and replica ones. In Art we have been colouring our own Roman mosaics.

#### World Thinking Day

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February is World Thinking Day - an important date in the Girl Guide and Scouting movement. On this day, girls and boys think about the other 10 million girls and boys in 150 different countries



around the world who are also part of this organisation. The date is the joint birthday of the founders of the Boy Scout movement and the Girl Guide movement. On this special day, all Rainbows, Brownies, Beavers and Cubs are welcome to wear their organisation uniform or even just their promise badges to school. Please follow the link to the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts which gives more information about World Thinking Day - <u>https://www.wagggs.org/en/what-we-</u> <u>do/world-thinking-day/</u>

## PUPILS OF THE WEEK:

Reception - Aoife and Marshall (RED), Dominic and Rowan (RSR) Year 1 - Callen and Rebecca (1AP), Krissh and Marnie (1VH) Year 2 - Lucy and Chloe (2HK), Oscar and Sara (2SB) Year 3 - Sophie and Harry (3KF), Jonah and Scarlett (3SW) Year 4 - Kasim and Zak (4CT) Congratulations to you all!

#### Spotlight

Year 1 - Miah for earning Level 3 in Swimming and Level 5 in Gymnastics. Year 2 - Misa for earning Level 2 and 3 in Swimming. Congratulations - well done!

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Reception - Height & Weight Measurements	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> January & Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February
Cake Sale - Year 3	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> February
Sign2Sing Assembly	
PTFA School Disco	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February
	Reception 4.30 - 5.30pm
	Years 1 & 2 - 5.45 - 6.45pm
	Years 3 & 4 - 7.00 - 8.00pm
Reception - Eye Tests	Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February
World Book Day	Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> March
PTFA Heights Scarecrow Trail	Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> March
Living Eggs Delivery	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> March
Green Park Mini Mile & 10K	Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> May

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