



Newsletter No. 8

Pride in ourselves, pride in our school, pride in our community.

Friday 7th March



YEAR 3

It has been an extremely busy week for Year 3. In Design Technology, we investigated pneumatic systems in preparation for designing and making our own 'Moving Monsters' and the children have some fantastic ideas for this, already.

On Wednesday, we were fortunate to have Helen from Making Me (The Kipsy people) come in to deliver a workshop to each class in turn and pupils were amazing when it came to suggesting ways in which they can develop and apply their 'superpower of resilience'.



GMA DATA PROTECTION AND THE UK GDPR

You may be aware that, as an organisation that stores and processes personal data, we are subject to the UK GDPR. Our practices around this come under the Trust's Data Protection Policy which can be found [here](#). If you have any questions about this which are not answered within the policy, or if you wish to contact the school's Data Protection Lead, please contact GMA-DPL@bestacademies.org.uk

WORLD BOOK DAY AT GMA

Thursday was World Book Day and we appreciated having a visit from a famous author. Pippa Goodhart, not only delivered a fantastic assembly to the whole school, but also visited individual classes to talk in more depth about her creative process, read from her books and take questions from the children. It was a wonderful experience for the children who hopefully felt very inspired afterwards. As well as our visit from Pippa the children spent the day embracing the joy of reading through a variety of fun and engaging activities.

Elm and Beech class turned potatoes into their favourite book characters! This special day is all about inspiring a love for reading and encouraging children to explore the magic of books. Don't forget, reading at home is one of the most important ways to support your child's learning and development. Thank you for your continued support.



**Happy School Bag
Collection is on
Friday 14th March**

Please drop off your donations
by the kitchen doors.

Golden Book

Children are nominated by Teaching Assistants and Teachers for a Principal's award which is entered in the Golden Book. The award can be for living one of our Values or special achievement. Sporting awards/achievements gained through a regular commitment to a club or group are also celebrated.

- Ash** Anastasia for taking responsibility for her day by managing her own individual timetable.
- Oak** Anabella for her fantastic effort during phonics. Anabella has been trying really hard to apply her phonic knowledge to write words independently.
- Beech** Ellia for her excellent contributions during guided reading. Ellia has shown thoughtful insights into character motivation and story progression.
- Elm** Orla for her enthusiasm towards reading. Orla has been using brilliant expression skills to express how characters are feeling.
- Willow** River for his amazing effort in his writing, he has worked so hard to improve his handwriting and is taking lots of pride in his work.
- Maple** Malachai for excellent effort and enthusiasm in all lessons this week and for being a fantastic team member during PE.
- Chestnut** Araiya-Mai for taking pride in her work especially with her handwriting ensuring her letters are a good size and correctly formed.
- Sycamore** Cairo for consistently showing pride in all his learning.
- Birch** Ida for her enthusiastic approach to her learning, particularly in English.
- Hazel** Evan for a fantastic piece of art using different shading techniques and levels of darkness to make an object look three-dimensional.



CELEBRATIONS

- Nelly Jackson** Awarded a trophy for coming 2nd place in her dance comp
Esme Awarded a Man of The Match football trophy
Lucy Awarded a medal for taking part in a pancake race
Awarded a medal for her gymnastics competition



REMINDER

If someone different is going to be collecting your child from school, please email or call the school by lunchtime where possible. If this can not be done by lunchtime then please ensure you let us know via telephone as emails can not always be monitored in the afternoons. Many thanks.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 14 th March	Year 4 Assembly, 2:45pm (Parents Welcome)
Friday 21 st March	Comic Relief Day
Tuesday 25 th & Thursday 27 th March	Mothers Day Breakfast

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