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A MESSAGE FROM MRS TAI

Dear families,

Happy New Year!

Thank you for your patience and flexibility last week with the school closures and staggered day - the safety of our community, pupils and staff is paramount.

On Tuesday 21st January we are hosting our Book and Bagel Event with KS1 (Y1&2) - come for a bagel, a snuggle and a story with your child from 9:00am in the hall. It will be a lovely opportunity for you and your child to spend some time together, enjoying a story. There will be plenty of books for all ages, stages and interests and we look forward to seeing you there. No need to book - please just turn up!

We are also looking forward to hosting our KS1 Maths coffee morning on Tuesday 28th January - pop in to have a coffee and chat about Maths. Not all our favourite subject butwe will share some simple ways we can help support our children and build confidence.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Tai

NON-UNIFORM DAY

Congratulations to all the houses for reaching over 10,000 house points last term! This is an amazing achievement - children working hard, aiming high, showing respect and making the right choices.

To celebrate, the children will be allowed to come in to school in non-school uniform on **Friday 24th January 2025.**

Please ensure your child has suitable clothing for the weather, including outdoor appropriate shoes.

DONATIONS REQUIRED

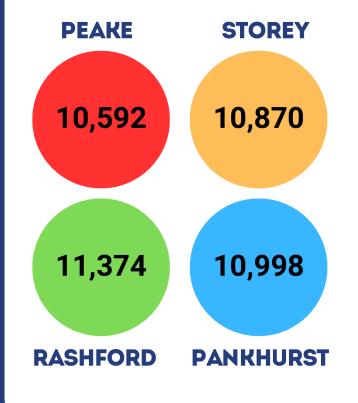
If you have any of the following items that are looking for a new home, please drop them off to school where we will put them to good use!

Please note, no broken, damaged or open items can be accepted unfortunately.

This week we are looking for:

Games - board or card games for wet play boxes.

HOUSE POINTS



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WEEKLY WINNERS

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week and Caught Being Kind winners this week.

Star of the Week: Caught being Kind:

Capella Class: Finley Capella Class: Lily-Mae

Vega Class: Max Vega Class: DJ

Arcturus Class: Lorenzo Arcturus Class: Finley

Rigil Class: Erica Rigil Class: Harriett

Canopus Class: Stanley Canopus Class: Phoebe

Sirius Class: Freya Sirius Class: Leon

Well done to Capella Class for winning the Attendance Award this week with 97% Keep it up!



IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 21st January - KS1 Book and Bagel

Friday 24th January - Non uniform Day **Tuesday 28th January** - Coffee morning: KS1 Maths

Tuesday 4th February - KS2 Book and Bagel

Friday 7th February - TT Rockstars Day W/C 10th February - Keep Safe Week Thursday 13th February - Valentines Disco @ 2pm (EYFS, KS1) and 3:45pm (KS2)

Monday 17th - Fri 21st February - Half Term

Monday 24th February - Spring 2 begins **Thursday 6th March** - World Book Day

CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS



CLASS CAPELLA

This week we have launched our topic 'Blast off!', the children have been exploring our space station role play and also we read the story 'Whatever Next!' by Jill Murphy. The children have shown a real interest in space and the planets so we know we are going to have an exciting half term.

Please see the next page for some more highlights at High Bank this week.

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CLASS VEGA & ARCTURUS



Year 1 have been learning about the artist Steven Brown, his love of art and how he loves painting with bright colours. Today, they began drawing a penguin which they will be painting next week in the style of Steven Brown.



Arcturus class have been writing about our new book "Building Boy".

CLASS RIGIL, CLASS CANOPUS & CLASS SIRIUS



In Rigil, we began our North America topic. We used an atlas to find and locate countries in North America and their capital cities.



Above we have Class Canopus Building truss bridges with spaghetti. We have already tested the strength of beam and arch bridges using card structures and unifix cubes.







