



A MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHERS...

We have been elated this week, to relaunch some of our School clubs. As you will all appreciate, our cross country, tag rugby, netball, hockey and football clubs have been hugely popular and we simply can't wait to expand what is on offer, as soon as it is safe to do so. The grassed area in front of the School office has, since Tuesday, been turned into a cycle park for those Year 5 children who have been taking part in Bikeability training. It has been interesting to see how quickly the children have grown in confidence and the pleasure that they have had in getting out-and-about on two wheels.

As we start the month of May, our core value has changed to 'kindness'. We invite you to talk to your child about the following Bible passage linked to this value. *'The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control'* Galatians 5 verse 22-23

Kind regards and best wishes
Sharon Saunders and Lois Davis
Co-Headteachers



GOLDEN BOOK CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to the following children who received Golden Book certificates during weeks 1 and 2 of Term 5..

YEAR R

Madison M
Joshua C
Neve C
Lily PA
Cody R
Aiden HU
Amelia L
Ellis M

YEAR 1

Isabella H
Hattie S
Naomi H
Martha L
Ralph C
Tia K
Stanley Mck
Dexter M

YEAR 2

Georgia B
Oscar M
Joel H
Imogen H
Fraser S
Ethan B
Otto W
Annabel S

YEAR 3

Isaac F
Kye H
Sage M
Caelen C
Scarlett W
Eva F
Harriet N
Austin S
Josh A
Lexi A

YEAR 4

Milly R
Evie B
Arthur H-B
Benjamin T
Teddy K
Max L
Bailey W
Aden T
Jackson A
Lucy E
Maya P

YEAR 5

Cedar Class— working hard on
Green myth writing
Stefan VdM
Elliot V
Cameron T
Elysia S
Oliver T
Lia M
Christopher L

YEAR 6

Joe W-M
Felix M
Lavinia A
Pedri vdM
David V
Anna L
Elsie B
Priya D
Don G



KINDNESS

During assemblies this week, the children have been looking at our core value for the month, 'kindness'. In response some of our children created 'thank you' cards to distribute to those around the School who the children felt deserved an extra touch of kindness!

WELCOME!

We are delighted, this week, to welcome River L-J and his family to the School. Lilac have been pleased to have him join their class.



PARENT SURVEY

A graphic for a parent survey. It features the words "PARENT SURVEY" in large, bold, black capital letters. Behind the text are stylized blue silhouettes of a family: a large figure for a parent and two smaller figures for children, all holding hands.

Very many thanks to those of you who took the time to complete our Parent Survey for this academic year.

We look forward to giving you an overview of results and a planned response.



This week has been the 2021 national Deaf Awareness Week.

With this in mind, the children have, in class, been discussing the needs of the 1 in 6 deaf or hard of hearing people in the UK. This encompassed the importance of social inclusion.

FIT IN FIVE



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Copper Beech Class enjoyed their 5 minute classroom brain break with a Fit in Five session.

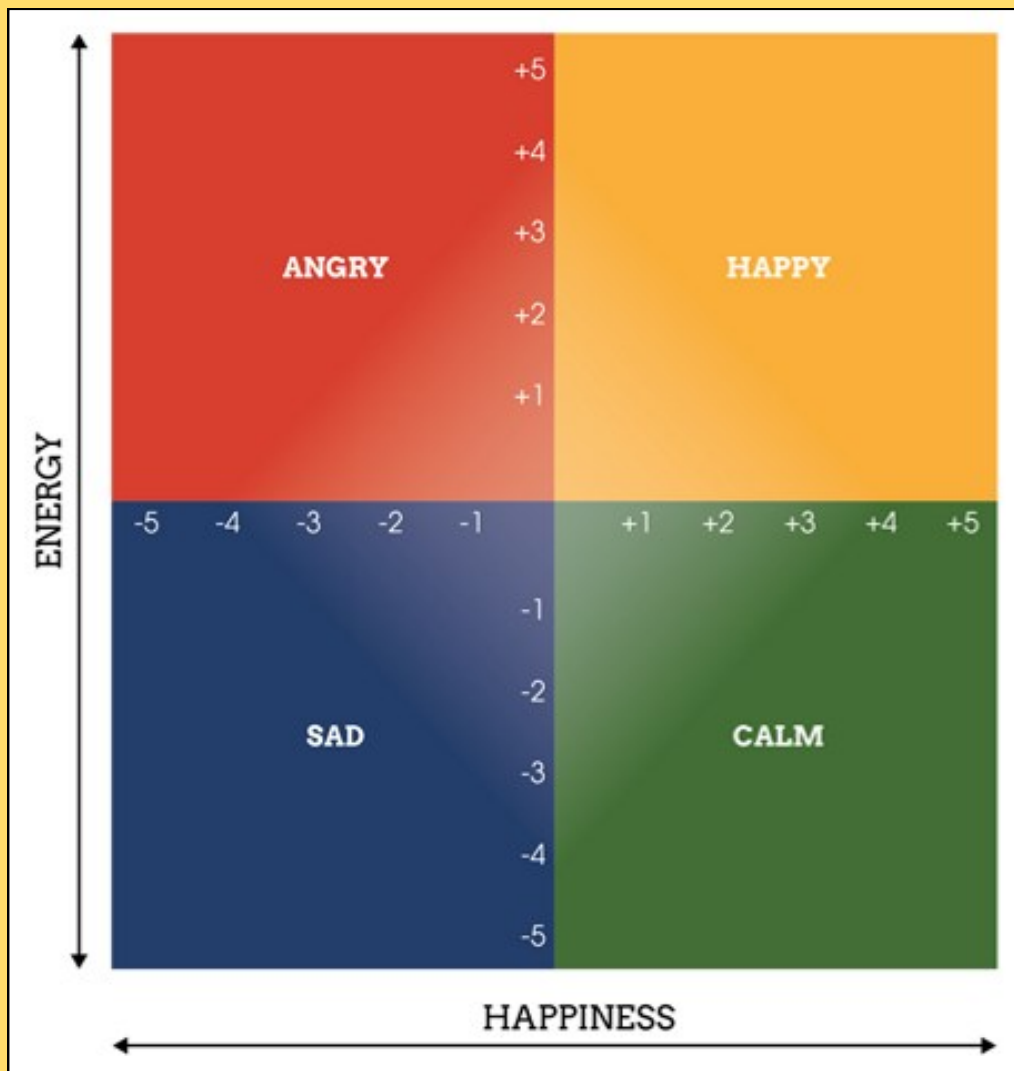
As you can see, this always provides a lively and popular interruption to class work!



We are delighted that many of you have expressed an interest in joining our RULER Parent webinar, taking place on the 18th May at 6pm. If you have not done so already and think that you may wish to join us then please complete the 'Expression of Interest' Parentmail form. The title of this first webinar is 'The Mood Meter', a picture of which can be seen below. An explanation will be provided as to how this tool helps the children develop the core **RULER** skills: Recognizing, Understanding, Labelling, Expressing, and Regulating emotions.

With 'kindness' being not only our core value of the month, but also our key emotion of the week, this has been a hot topic in our classrooms. Within School, as a part of our RULER roll-out, we have spoken to the children to explain the premise that 'no feeling is negative, but that some are pleasant and some are unpleasant, with some being high energy and others low energy'.

We look forward to sharing more with you in the weeks to come.



YEAR 1 OUTSIDE AREA

Our Year 1 children are very much enjoying learning in their outdoor investigation area.

With some wonderful outside reading areas, cupboards stocked with writing and science equipment to enjoy, 'Tuff Trays' have also been introduced.

These heavy duty octagonal plastic trays are set up to offer the children challenges in, amongst other things, literacy, maths, science and fine motor skills.



YEAR 5 BIKEABILITY TRAINING



This week our Year 5 children started their Bikeability training. This training is Government-recognised, practical tuition which, in our case, is provided by KCC qualified instructors.

The training begins at Level 1 with mastery in cycle handling, with the training taking place in the School grounds but preparing the children for cycling on the roads. Those who are ready will then progress to Level 2 which is aimed at developing the skills and confidence of the cyclists for cycling on single-lane roads and around simple junctions.

The training continues for a further week; here's hoping for continued good weather.

LIVING STREETS LET'S WALK TO SCHOOL

WALKING SUPERPOWERS

FIVE-DAY WALKING challenge

JOIN THE FUN

Walk to School Week, 17-21 May.

WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK

We very much appreciate that, for many of you, walking to School may not be possible.

We did, however, want to highlight this annual event for anyone who might like to join in. For more information follow the link below:

<https://www.livingstreets.org.uk/products-and-services/projects/walk-to-school-week>

OUR CHICKS NEED A HOME. CAN YOU HELP?

With Science Week fast approaching, Year 2 are eagerly awaiting the arrival of some little, feathery friends – chicks!

To support their learning on 'life cycles', the Year 2 classes will be observing and learning about the hatching process, as well as how to care for new-born chicks.

We would love for our future feathery friends to go to a safe, loving home after their time in school. If you have chickens, or have had chickens before, and are interested in adopting our young chicks, please complete the steps below as soon as possible – our chicks will go to the first family to get in contact who meet the criteria!

In order to adopt our chicks, you will need to sign to say you can meet the following criteria:

- Own/have access to a heat lamp or electric pen (the chicks will need additional heat for 4-5 weeks after leaving school).
- Provide chick crumb for feed (first few weeks), followed by appropriate feed pellets for their species.
- Provide a safe enclosure to protect the chicks, keeping them away from predators (e.g. cats, dogs, rats and foxes).
- Provide an enclosed garden/run for the birds once they have grown.
- Provide a secure coop for the birds once they have grown, where they can be shut at night to protect them from predators.

You should also consider the following:

- Some of the chicks will likely be male. Cockerels crow, which can be noisy.
- Having too many cockerels in a confined space can cause fights and harassment of the females. A plan will need to be in place to separate the chickens, should this happen.
- The breed of the chickens is unknown at this stage. There will be 4-7 chicks.

Step 1 = Ensure that you can confidently meet all of the criteria outlined above.

Step 2 = Be able to pick up the chicks on Thursday 27th May 2021, and care for them from this date.

Step 3 = Email Gill Smith on g.smith@ladyboswells.kent.sch.uk to let us know you are interested, confirming that you can meet the criteria - our chicks will go to the first family to get in contact who meet the criteria!



YEAR 2 HABITAT BOXES

Year 2 have, this week, made habitat boxes as part of their science learning on 'living things and their habitats'. The children designed and created the boxes themselves, showing great initiative and teamwork in the process.



A MESSAGE FROM THE ECO COUNCIL

Our Eco Councillors will be asking all of the children across the School to consider the millions of tons of waste that is created by us each year in the UK. They want to encourage us all to do our bit at home and at School and, in particular, not to waste food. To highlight this issue they will be inviting all of the children to create a 'Don't Waste Food' poster with the results being posted all around the School. Please do encourage your child to take part in this poster competition. The rules are as follows:

1. The children should use a plain (unlined) A4 piece of paper
2. Designs should be big, bold and eye-catching.
3. If your child wishes to enter, please ensure that they write their name and class on the back of the poster and give it to their Class Teacher (they will give the entries to Mrs Rands-Webb).
4. Closing date is 20th May and the winner will be announced on the 28th May.

The Eco Council has been busy ensuring that the birds are fed every week and are keen to hear ideas from the children across of the School of what further we can do to help the environment. Ideas/suggestions can be given to the Eco Council reps or placed in the 'suggestions sack' at the Eco Council display in the KS2 corridor.



Year 5 Eco Councillors



Year 6 Eco Councillors



KWICK CRICKET

On Thursday of this week, Holly Class, set out their stumps and picked up their bats to enjoy some Kwick Cricket.

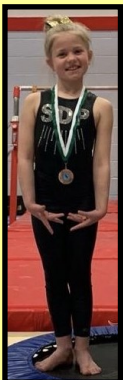
Kwick Cricket is a fully inclusive form of cricket played in schools with the emphasis on participation and enjoyment.

When played competitively, each team has eight players with the equipment used being plastic bats and balls.

SPEED BOUNCE



Year 3 worked on their speed bounce technique. This discipline forms part of the Infant Agility curriculum and is a really popular challenge for the children.



SPORTING CONGRATULATIONS

Our congratulations for the following sporting achievements:

Annabelle O'G (left) won a bronze medal in a national competition for "Range & Conditioning" in her age group for gymnastics.

Cameron B has been offered, and accepted, a year's contract to play in the Charlton Football Academy.

DIARY DATES

All diary dates can also be found on the Lady Boswell's website under Parents>Calendar. Please note that these plans are aspirational and events may need to be cancelled or postponed depending on COVID-19 restrictions.

TERM 5 —DIARY DATES		TERM 6—DIARY DATES	
4/5/21— 14/5/21	Bikeability for Year 5	7/6/21	Inset Day
7/5/21	Closing day for the children's 'Name the Mascot' competition	8/6/21	First day of Term 6
13/5/21	Parentmail 'Expression of Interest' for RULER webinar Form closes	11, 18 and 25/6/21	Year 6 to Carroty Wood
17— 21/5/21	Walk to School Week	21 and 22/6/21	Year 5 Transition Meetings with parents—info to follow
18/5/21	6pm RULER Children's Well-being Parent Webinar—if you are interested in joining please complete the 'Expression of Interest' Parentmail form	28/6/21	Start of whole School Maths Week
19/5/21	Pentecost worship (Year 4)	28/6/21	Bentley Photographic—Class and Team photos
20/5/21	Closing date for children's 'Don't Waste Food' Poster competition	2/7/21	School clubs finish
24/5/21	Re-scheduled Science Week	6/7/21	Sports Day—info to follow
28/5/21	Last day of Term 5	12/7/21	Reserve Sports Day
		16/7/21	Friendship Assembly led by Year R
		20/7/21	Leavers' Service—more info to follow
		21/7/21	1.30pm Last day of Term 6

