

# The Archer

**School Newsletter No 11** 

## **DEAR PARENTS/CARERS**

We are rapidly approaching the end of Term 5 - it only seems 5 minutes since all children returned to school on the 8<sup>th</sup> March.

# **Reporting Absence**

May I remind you that absence should be reported by telephone to the school office on the first day of absence by 9.30am. Please do not report via Class Dojo.

#### **PARKING**

I have received a number of complaints from local residents, as well as parents, regarding both dangerous and inconsiderate parking at the James Road entrance. Can I, once again, appeal to all parents not to park or stop to let passengers out on the zig-zag lines, they are there to protect our children. In addition, please show consideration for our neighbours by not parking across driveways. I have contacted our local PSCO to monitor the situation and to ask the traffic enforcement car to target our two entrances. Their visit last week resulted in six fixed penalty fines being issued.

#### **PHONICS COURSE**

Mrs Hill has organised a really worthwhile phonics course; Keeping up with the Children – Phonics. This is a four week online course for parents/carers on 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> June between 9.30-11.30am. For further details contact Mrs Hill on pamela.hill@wentworthonline.co.uk



## **Fundraising for the Evelina Hospital**

Earlier this year, one of our year 1 children contracted COVID-19 which developed into the very serious condition called PIMS (paediatric multisystem inflammatory syndrome) resulting in an extensive stay in intensive care, firstly, at Darent Valley Hospital and subsequently at the Evelina Hospital.

Fortunately, this young lad is now on the road to recovery, but we wanted to raise awareness of how dangerous this condition is and to ask for support for the nurses of the Evelina Hospital who are swimming the Channel to raise funds. If you would like to support, please visit;

https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundraiserdisplay/showROFundraiserPage?userUrl=STaRfiSh &isTeam=true

#### **Subject Blogs**

Don't forget to have a look at the English and Maths blogs recently added to our website. This clearly shows the progression of these two subjects from Year 1 to Year 6. Further blogs are planned during Term 6 to showcase the breadth of the curriculum our children experience.

## **Class Photos**

Your proof cards will be coming home today. To place your order, please either scan the QR code or log onto Kittleorders.com. Last orders will be 21<sup>st</sup> June. Orders will be delivered to school once processed. PLEASE DO NOT SEND ANY ORDERS OR CASH TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE. (Due to a delay, Classes 2JP & 4CEF proof cards will be sent home on 7<sup>th</sup> June.)

<u>FACE MASKS</u> – Please keep wearing your face coverings whilst on site until guidance tells us otherwise.

#### **MEMORIAL BENCH**

This week, we have unveiled our memorial bench to Tracey Reilly, our much loved and respected Inclusion Manager we so tragically lost last year. May she rest in peace.



## **HARRY'S BIKE RIDE**

You may recall an article in one of my newsletters at the start of the year. Harry Steer in Year 4 was so moved by the exploits of Sir Captain Tom Moore that he decided to undertake a fundraising event of his own.

Harry undertook a substantial bike ride around the local area, raising a total of £1150 to support local NHS charities. Anyone wishing to contribute can do so by accessing -

www.justgiving.com/fundraising/harryscyclenhs



As a result of his fantastic fundraising effort, Harry has been awarded the Scout Commissioner's Commendation award, the only recipient in Dartford.

Well done Harry, we are very proud of you!

## **Our own Times Tables Rock Star Legend**



Lewis Beeson in Year 4 has become a TTRS legend. In the past few weeks, Lewis has consistently increased the number of questions he can answer. He has now reached the stage where he can answer 172 questions in 1 minute with an average answer time of 0.35 seconds.

Following an email exchange with TTRS, Lewis enjoyed a 25 minute zoom call with Bruno Reddy, the creator of TTRS. In this call Lewis demonstrated his ability by beating Bruno comprehensively. In two games, Lewis more than doubled Bruno's score. The world record is currently 202 questions correctly answered in 1 minute. This is Lewis' next target. Well done an amazing effort!

## **Year 6 Activity Event**

Sadly, due to the pandemic, our Year 6 children are unable to experience our usual 4 day PGL outdoor adventurous weekend. Instead, we have organised a sleepover in school this Friday night with the children experiencing a range of home-run activities on Friday evening and all day Saturday.

I am very grateful to all the staff who have given up their own family time to make this possible.

# **YOUNG ARTISTS' SUMMER SHOW 2021**

Following our submission of entries to the Royal Academy's Young Artists' Summer show, I am extremely pleased to tell you that out of 33,000 entries, 3 of our children's artwork has been chosen to be exhibited at both the RA's online exhibition and to be displayed at the academy itself. Congratulations to:-

Taraz Mohammad for 'The Courage to Reach my Goal'

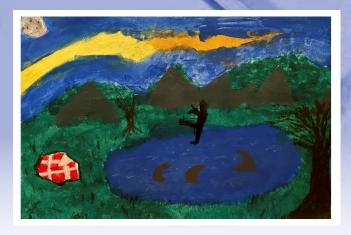


We are extremely proud of your achievements. My thanks to Mrs Archibald for organising this event.

Wishing you all an enjoyable half term and look forward to the children returning on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June.

P Langridge Headteacher

# Mya Bland for 'The Terrifying Lake'



Chloe Pooley for 'Curious Girl Gazing at the Horizon'

