

It's hard to believe half term is already upon us. Sometimes schools are such busy places we all seem to be constantly struggling to keep up, let alone have time to stop along the way and just enjoy what we do and appreciate those around us.

I would like to thank all of the teachers and teaching assistants who have kept that love of learning at the forefront of what we do, whether that be by bringing snails into school, giving children the chance to compete in sports tournaments or finding creative ways to make bread in a classroom—the ICT cupboard is apparently rather good for proving bread buns). To the teaching assistants and office team who provide comfort and care to the children who have wrestled with a radiator and come off worse or had to clean stones out of grazed knees. Thank you for making a difference every day.

Thanks work best when they are personal so if you would like the opportunity to say thank you to someone in school Pearson are offering a lovely opportunity for you or your child to [Thank a teacher](#) with a personal message. If you have a chance over the half term and would like to take part please do.

Have a wonderful half term.



Investigating Snails

Year Two have had some unusual visitors to their class rooms this week when they carried out an investigation into which habitat snails preferred. The snails had to decide whether they preferred damp, dry, light or dark habitats, tempted by some delicious looking salad. Children watched closely and recorded their results carefully with some unexpected outcomes! We only had one escapee who made a bid for freedom, otherwise our mollusc friends behaved beautifully. Thank you to Lindsay Fournier for providing the snails, and to the children for their great investigation skills!

Year 2 Teachers

Girls Cricket

Well done to all of the Year 6 girls who took part in the inter-schools cricket tournament last Friday. Everyone conducted themselves wonderfully and with a good sense of teamwork and fair play - which can be the hardest thing when you aren't winning.

Y6 Residential—Parent Session 3.30 Tuesday 7th June see the letter attached to this week's Parentmail for more details.

Have you got a fussy eater?

Sam Bishop, our family worker, will be holding a drop in session for parents and carers who are keen to expand their child's tastes and encourage healthy eating. It's a great opportunity for advice and a chance to chat to other parents about food issues.

Tuesday 21st June 9.00am in the community room

Year 4 Guide Dog visit

The visit from Guide Dogs planned this week for Year 4 had to be cancelled. It has now been rearranged for Monday 6th June, the first day back after half term. If your child would still like to bring in a donation for the charity could they bring it in on the Monday please. Thanks for your support.



Ruby and Burgundy

We are classes of the week because we have been working hard on remembering our learning and applying our skills when solving problems in Maths. We have shown good understanding when reading and can answer difficult questions about what we read. We have been patient and kind with each other and our teachers when our usual class activities have been disrupted by timetable changes. We have been concentrating really hard, behaving well and been quiet when we really need to. We have shown great perseverance and kept going, even if we didn't feel like it! We have completed our SATS for this year, and really deserve the half term holiday! We are Year Two!

Attendance

Attendance for week beginning 23rd May 2016 is:

Gold: 96%	Turquoise: 98.97%
Silver: 98.39%	Jade: 90.33%
Scarlet: 95.67%	Sapphire: 95.86%
Crimson: 95.33%	Amethyst: 95.71%
Burgundy: 97%	Indigo: 96.43%
Ruby: 95.67%	Lilac: 91.92%
Topaz: 96.07%	Violet: 98.62%

Well done to **Turquoise, Violet** and **Silver** for best attendance this week.

The whole school attendance for this week is 95.88%

Caught being good...

Well done to **Valentina, Harry, Amelia** in Crimson, **Cedar and Ned** in Ruby, **Amy and Stefan** in Burgundy, **Szymon, George, Marc, Jem, William** in Sapphire, **Sasha, Adam, Flora, Emily, Amaan, Maria, Eliza, Sam** in Amethyst, **Rosie, Tilly, Megan, Elia, Ross, Lydia** in Indigo, **Evie, Leon, Ted, William S, William B, Anna, Arya** in Lilac, **Tamim, Emily, Milly, Mirthe** in Violet who were all caught being good with their Attitude to Learning.

Well done everyone!

On the celebration tree this week...

Congratulations to everyone who received a certificate this half term!

We are very proud of you all!



Coming up

June

- 6th - **School starts**
 - 7th - **Portraiture day**
 - 10th - 13th - **Y6 Residential trip**
 - 12th - **FOM Ramble and Summer Social**
 - 20th - **INSET day**
 - 21st & 23rd - **Road to Rio Olympic Events**
 - 29th - **Early Years open evening**
- ### July
- 2nd - **Summer Fete**
 - 5th - **Summer music concert**



What's for lunch?

Week beginning 6 June: Week 2