

BCS NEWS

24th February 2023

*Fulfilling our potential, achieving excellence together
We are a Good school with Outstanding Early Years Provision*

Head's News

Welcome back and welcome to the start of Term 4. I hope you all had a wonderful half term break. The children have certainly come back to school with a spring in their step, ready to embrace the learning journeys the teachers have planned for them. Term 4 is always very short but we have so much to fit in...from Book Week next week, to Science Day to Parent Consultations, finishing with the celebration of Easter. For some classes, trips have been or are being planned to ensure the children's learning is creative and experiences are wide and memorable. For those not going on trips, workshops and visitors will bring their learning to life. The next few weeks are guaranteed to be fast paced and full of progressively sequenced lessons to ensure children come away with the highest quality of learning they deserve.



Fruits of the Spirit: this term the children will be learning more about our year group values taken from the 'Fruit of the Holy Spirit' bible verse found in Paul's letter to the Galatians. Year 3 have chosen this bible verse for their year group, their value is 'patience'.

Book Week: we are so excited! Here's a summary of what's happening:

Monday 27th: **Book Swap Shop** – please bring books in for the book swap shop. Children will receive up to 5 tokens to spend swapping.

Tuesday 28th: **Bring a Teddy** to school – a special author will be delivering a workshop to all year groups.

Weds 1st: **Pyjama Day** – children are invited to wear pyjamas for a bedtime story with Mrs Strand and Mrs Hood. Please wear underwear and a top underneath and trainers or school shoes.

Thurs 2nd: **Book Fair** – Usborne Books will be holding a book fair in the school hall in the afternoon from 3.15pm for parents.

Fri 3rd: **Book dress up day** – children can dress up as a book character and bring the book to school with them to discuss in class. Please ensure footwear is suitable for running in playground.

And don't forget **FOBCSA's sponsored read** – forms have gone out this afternoon.

Key Dates

**Monday 27th February –
Fri 2nd March**
BOOK WEEK

Tuesday 21st March
3.30-6.30pm parent
consultations

Thursday 23rd March
4.30pm-7.30pm parent
consultations

Weds 29th March
School concert 5.30pm

Easter Holidays
Mon 3rd April – Fri 14th
April

Monday 17th April
Start of Term 5

Monday 1st May
May Bank Holiday

Monday 8th May
Bank Holiday for the
coronation of King
Charles III

29th May – 2nd June
Half term

Monday 5th June
Start of Term 6

Friday 21st July
Last day of term

ALL [TERM DATES](#) FOR
2022-24 CAN BE
FOUND ON THE
WEBSITE



In other news



Artist of the month: Attention Artists!

Pick up your pencils and wet your brushes for we are restarting 'Artist of the month'. A piece of work you have completed at home could be our winner!



Use any materials you would like and any subject. Create a wonderful piece of artwork and submit it to Mrs Armstrong (Year 4) for the opportunity to be considered. This could be anything that has inspired you. Please submit artwork by the last Thursday of the month to be in the running. The winner will be announced during our celebration collective worship on the Friday. Please put your name and class on the back of your artwork so we know who you are. You could be the next budding Van Gogh, Cezanne or Turner.

Congratulations to February's winner: Phoebe Lorraine, 3P, for her amazing abstract piece of art!

Maths Scavenger Hunt

Thank you to all of you who have completed the scavenger hunt. We have had some amazing entries and we are very impressed with where you have found all of the real-life maths. We had lots of different and creative ways of presenting work. Well done for all of your hard work and we will be announcing the winners next week!



Attendance this Week

This week's joint winners are 1C and 2H – each with a superb attendance score of 99.1%. In second place are 2H with 97.3%, and in third place are 5FW with 96.6%. Enjoy the trophy, 1C!

Joanne, our new chef from Nourish joined Celebration Worship this morning to meet the children on the other side of the food counter. We talked about the importance of good manners at lunchtimes, and look forward to enjoying lots of her cooking in the weeks ahead. There will be a special 'World Book Day' menu next Thursday – we will email parents with the details next week.



Dodgeball



The children had a tremendous time playing dodgeball for the first time with State Sports coach Jordan.

Jordan asked that children either wear their PE shoes or bring trainers in so they can really get the most out of the club.



Music update

Spring Concert

We are very excited to be having our first school spring concert on Wednesday 29th March. This will be held in the school hall at 5:30pm. If your child is in the school choir, learns an instrument at school (apart from iRock who are doing a separate concert), or is in Year 3-5 learning an instrument in their class, they will be performing in the concert! We are looking for other children who would like to perform in the concert, either singing a song or playing an instrument. If your child would like to do this, please send an email to the office or ask your child to speak to Miss Clare at break or lunch time. If your child is participating in the concert, you will receive a letter in the next few weeks informing you of this. We look forward to welcoming you to come to see the children perform.



Thank you

We would like to thank everyone who donated money at the KS1 Nativity towards new instruments for the children at Bishop Chavasse. We have managed to use this money to purchase brand new glockenspiels for the children to play. We look forward to seeing these being used at our upcoming concert on 29th March. Here are some Year 3 children learning how to transfer their skills from the chime bars to the glockenspiels.

Choir

Our school choir returned to sing with the residents at Barnes Lodge this week and blew them away with the songs they have been learning. The residents were very impressed to hear that they could sing three songs at the same time and still sound fantastic. The children's singing sounded so impressive that by the time they had finished, many more residents had turned up to listen to them sing. They are very excited to share these songs with you at the concert on 29th March.



Fees for 2022 - 2023

One to one for 20 minutes:
from £12 per lesson / £132 per term

One to one for 30 minutes:
from £18 per lesson / £198 per term

2 in a group for 20 minutes:
£7.50 per lesson / £82.50 per term

2 in a group for 30 minutes:
£9 per lesson / £99 per term

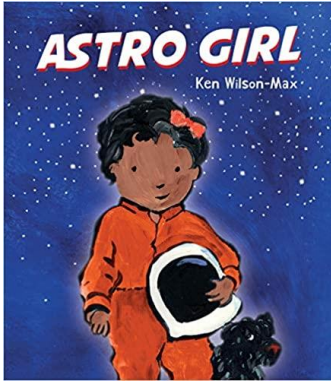
Individual lesson prices vary depending on the instrument you're learning - full details can be found on our website.

Find out more and apply for lessons at:
www.kent-music.com/music-lessons

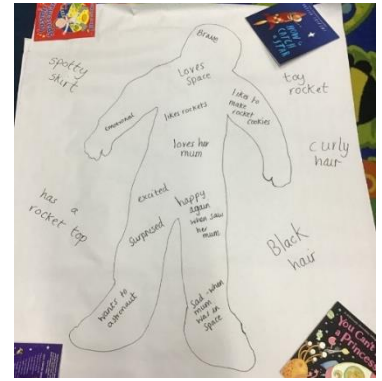
Instrument Lessons

If your child in Year 2-5 is interested in learning an instrument, please see the letter that was sent out this week regarding in school instrument lessons or visit the [website - www.kent-music.com](http://www.kent-music.com).

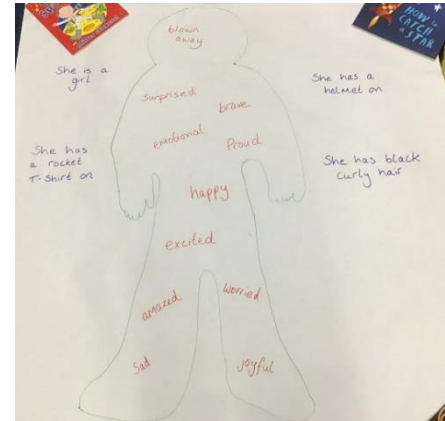
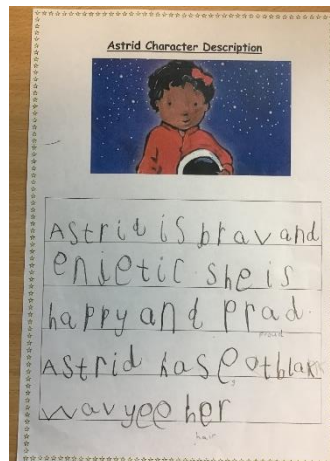
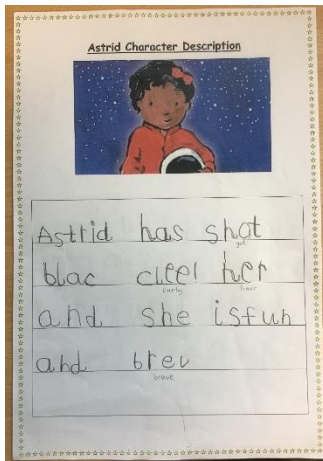
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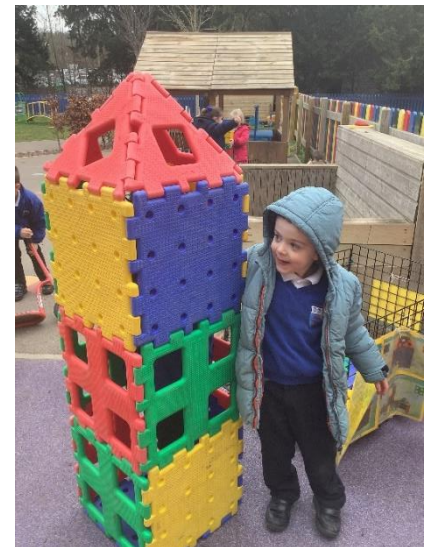
We have had a fantastic first week back in EYFS. The children have enjoyed the start of our new topic called 'Flying High'. Our core text for this term is called 'Astro Girl'. The children have really enjoyed reading this story and in our Literacy lessons, and each class created a 'roll on the wall' to describe Astrid's character.



We are incredibly proud of the progress the children are making with their writing; they are gaining confidence to sound out words independently.



The children enjoyed exploring our **space** topic in our outside area, they have been working hard to develop the 'Characteristics of Effective Learning' through their learning activities. We have observed excellent



problem solving skills and perseverance when activities have not initially gone to plan.



As part of our **People Who Help Us** topic, we invited in Dominic's mother; a Counsellor. Kremena talked to us about feelings and expressions, we identified the colours we felt would go with the feeling and where it could be located in the body.

Please make sure you regularly check our [EYFS page](#) on the school website for further information about the children's learning, home learning and weekly updates.

Year 2: exploring the properties of material in science – Year 2 children loved our practical science lesson this week:



FOBCSA update

FRIENDS OF BISHOP CHAVASSE PRESENTS

Sponsored Read

WITH BOOKMANIC AND THE FANTASTIC
USBOURNE BOOKS

Children can take part in the
"READY STEADY READ"
challenge.

27th February - 6th March

Please return the form to the class teacher
or school office box by 8th March.

Reading is dreaming with open eyes

Thank you to everyone who ordered delicious Krispy Kreme donuts – we've raised £215 (after costs) for the school! We hope you enjoy them.

Forms have gone into bags today for the Usborne/FOBCSA sponsored read. We hope to raise £600 in sponsorship money, which means Usborne will donate an additional £360 to the school to spend on new books and resources for the children.

There will be a book fair in the school hall on Thursday 2nd March from 3.15pm – more details to follow next week.