

Headteacher Message

This term has been short but incredibly busy! It feels like we have packed so much into such a short space of time.

Firstly, I would like to say a huge well done to our Year 6's for completing their SATs. They approached the week with maturity, resilience and determination, putting in so much effort and striving to do their very best. We are incredibly proud of all they have achieved, not just this week, but throughout the year. They should feel very proud of themselves - we are certainly very proud of all of them.

Over the past fortnight, many of our pupils have had the fantastic opportunity to visit London to see Matilda. These trips have been a huge success. The children's behaviour was great and they now have so much enthusiasm (as well as the teachers)!

Experiences like these are so valuable and it is wonderful to see how inspired they have been, particularly as we now look ahead to our whole school production in July. A ginormous thank you to the staff and parents who organised and accompanied these trips, especially for giving up their evenings to make such special opportunities possible.

Thank you also to those who attended our SEND coffee morning. It was a really positive and supportive session, offering a chance to share ideas and strategies, as well as simply enjoy a cup of tea and conversation together. These opportunities to connect as a community are so important and greatly valued. Thank you Miss Rose for putting these on on a regular basis.

Last week, we marked Mental Health Awareness Week by taking part in a Big Live Workout with Joe Wicks. This ties in perfectly with our ongoing focus on the importance of looking after our mental health and wellbeing. Both our own and that of others.

Ash class once again visited Bore Place and we remain incredibly grateful for the opportunity for our Key Stage 2 children to access such enriching, hands-on outdoor learning experiences on a regular basis.

It was also a real highlight this week to welcome so many parents and grandparents into school for our "Learn With Your Child" morning. Across the school,

there was a wonderful buzz as families joined in with phonics games, DT projects, maths activities, art work and even 'enjoyed' a ukulele performance from Mr Howse with Year 6! Thank you for taking the time to join us. These shared experiences are so valuable and mean a great deal to both the children and staff.

During the same afternoon, we welcomed our Kent School Improvement Advisor, who commented positively on the progress we are making with our curriculum. She also noted the calm, focused atmosphere throughout the school and was impressed by the range of exciting projects taking place each time she visits. This time we were able to show her the Zen Den and Library Projects. We are extremely proud of this feedback, which reflects the dedication of our staff and the strength of our supportive school community—thank you all.

Earlier this week, our Year 4 pupils visited Ide Hill Pre-School, where they will become buddies to some of the younger children in September. It was a joy to see them reading stories in small groups and taking their responsibilities so seriously. The pre-school children loved it and were also so well behaved and sat so nicely. We look forward to continuing to build these links next term and hopefully being invited back!

On Thursday, Sapling Class shared their learning in a fantastic assembly. The children were clearly very proud of all they have achieved and rightly so. I was particularly impressed by their artwork and sewing skills—what a talented group! Thank you to the staff for creating such meaningful learning opportunities and to all the families who came along to celebrate with them. In the classroom, Saplings have also been busy with their growing tadpoles, planting seeds and exploring outdoors. I especially enjoyed seeing their enthusiasm for mud and water play the other day!

I hope you all have a wonderful half term and enjoy some sunshine. We look forward to seeing many of you at the May Fair.

Miss Alexander

Matilda: A report from Harry in Year 6

Key Stage Two children were lucky enough to see Matilda on the West End. The journey was around one and a half hours to central London on a nice new coach. Once we arrived, we were checked in by security, then we were allowed straight into our seats. The highlights of the show were the “in the air” routines and a flashing laser light show. We are hoping to use some of the inspiration we got from the professionals to show off our talents at our Matilda production in July!



Suits and Sparkles Event

A huge thank you to our PTA and sponsors for putting on such a wonderful event, in particular to Sharon Taylor. A great night was had by all, including by staff and governors! It was also wonderful to meet some of our new Saplings 2026.



We thought budding artists may wish to participate in the below. They will receive free tickets to the Kent County Show for every entry!

Kerria Blues U 7 FC Victory:



A special report from Arthur, Year 2

Last Saturday five of us from Beech Class played in the Tandridge League Cup Final, which came at the end of a hard season that started in February, with 20 teams competing. We played the final against Addiscombe All Stars. At the end of the first half the score was 3:1 then we finished the game with a strong win at 5:2. As Goalkeeper I was able to make some good saves and well done to Remy scoring 3 goals, Carter 2 goals and for strong defence from Jack and Lucas!

Please Support Olivia

Well done to the many, many children who have participated in School Games and events this year! For the second year in a row, we have achieved Gold Status.

A special shout out to the parents who have supported this by arranging transport, lift shares etc. Thank you so much, we cannot participate without your support and we are very grateful!

This week we were lucky enough to be visited by a bubbly and gregarious young girl, Olivia, and her grandfather, who lives in Goathurst Common.

Unfortunately, Olivia is very gravely ill and has been diagnosed with a stage 4 brain tumour. We are hoping that our families are able to help support her family by attending a fundraiser for her later in June.

Details below:

Olivia's Fundraiser is a family fun day being held at the [Westerham Sports Association](#) in Kent on Saturday, 27th June, running from 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM.



Matilda Programme Cover Competition

A high standard has been set by our first entrant into the competition. Well done Aria, Year 4!

