



Friday, 25th September 2020

The Mill Messenger

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

We hope this finds you all well and safe.

Attendance

This week attendance has seen an improvement as we all get used to the guidance around sending children to school. As always, I'm grateful to you for your patience whilst we learn the 'right' answers and respond to your questions. We really do want as many children in school learning as possible, but equally, we have to follow the key symptoms advice. This went out earlier this week, [please click here](#) in case you missed it. If you have any attendance questions or need advice because you have had a letter from the school, please contact attendance@themill-tkat.org. A big well done to our new Reception starters who have completed their first full week. They have been incredible. So calm and settled, it feels as if they've been here much longer. There will no doubt be some tired faces this weekend, and that's just the adults!

Room 13

Our art studio and artist Janey is still able to work with a different year group each week. In the words of Janey: This week was the turn of some Year 2 pupils and we are taking our inspiration from the London Mural Movement of the 1980s, along with various other contemporary mural artists from around the world. Murals have often been used to express community and togetherness - during these difficult Covid times we think it's an ideal way to make our mark so we're painting ourselves directly onto the wall in the Room 13 corridor. As Janey is working with smaller numbers of children, it's an ideal time to chat and really listen to what is going on for the children. Room 13 is an ideal place for any children who are anxious or struggling at the minute.



Reminders

Parking: Sadly, we have received a number of complaints from local residents about the parking during school drop off and collection times. We fully understand how difficult the location of our school can be during these busy periods, however, we would appreciate your cooperation in being considerate to our neighbours. Please ensure when parking you do not block other vehicles, driveways and garages. Thank you for your support!

School Policies: These can be found on our website.

Thank you for your continued support and for making our school community what it is.

Kind Regards

Sophie Gosden
Headteacher

Forever Proud

Despite not being able to get together for school assemblies, we do have virtual assemblies where each class joins in online from their rooms and Miss Plant and myself can speak to everyone from the office. We all miss being together but that doesn't mean we can't celebrate: on Fridays, each class still nominates their 'Forever Proud' award winner that is announced in the online assembly, and then Miss Plant and myself deliver the children their badges. This week's winners from Reception to Year 6 and reasons from their teachers were:



Picasso Elsie should be forever proud because of her fantastic attitude to all her learning in her first full week in Reception.

Matisse Eden - She has already started to use what we have covered in talk 4 writing in her independent writing.

Kandinsky Alfie for being a shining example of all of the reception rules this week. You are a great role model to all!

Hepworth David for working really hard in all subjects. I have been so impressed with your hard work, determination and infectious smile!

Hockney Connor for retelling the talk story. He was able to use his adjectives to describe the monster. Well done Connor, you have blown us away this week!

Monet Zofia because her confidence is blossoming and she's showing great courage, putting her hand up and answering in class.

Goldsworthy Jack for his great writing of his own portal story.

O'Keeffe Lara-Mae for being always being smiley and ready to help. Well done Lara!

Lichtenstein Charlie - Such effort with his setting description writing. Well done.

Hokusai Alyssa for capturing me in her writing! I didn't want to put her book down. A fantastic tale of fear!

Mondrian Arandeeep for always showing excellent listening and working hard across all subjects. Well done!

Kahlo Davi for always having lovely presented handwriting and thinking carefully about how to hook the reader into his writing with some lovely description. Super work!

Moore Thomas for excellent behaviour and a positive attitude.

Miro Sienna for coming back to school with such energy and enthusiasm for learning. Your energy is magic.

Van Gogh Cecilia for excellent enthusiasm in our science work on planets. You were keen to take this learning home and create your own solar system map! Keep it up!

Egonu Amika for always being such a ray of sunshine in Egonu class. She always tries her best and always has a brilliant attitude!

Rousseau Sofia for some stunning pieces of writing this week.

Riley Jen for being a positive and happy member of our class.

Da Vinci Holly for trying to defeat worries, doing her best to have a go in challenging situations - and succeeding!

Attendance Cup Winners

Our attendance cup is back again too! Congratulations to this week's winners, Year 3! Well done to you all!

