



Friday 28th May 2021

The Mill Messenger

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

Please have a read through our latest news.

Our Inspection this Week

As you will know, we had our section 8 Ofsted inspection this week on Tuesday and Wednesday. We will receive the official report in about 3 weeks time. We are pleased with how the inspection went, particularly of the core subjects, parts of our wider curriculum, safeguarding and behaviour. Thank you for all your kind words of support, encouragement and feedback, it means the world to the staff and the children.

Reporting positive Covid cases in pupils over Half Term

Up to Tuesday 1st June: please contact head@themill-tkat.org. The school will then use our text and email system to let you know about isolating. Many thanks!

Inclusion, Diversity and Fairness

Mrs Altamirano Smith, who is our inclusion and diversity lead has been working hard not only to deliver our Mill Community cookbook, but also to create a range of bespoke assemblies for the children about inclusion, diversity and fairness. Please look out for more news and celebrations about this to come. We will share the assemblies with you on our website.

Room 13 – From Janey

I hope you enjoyed the glimmers of summer this week and are getting ready for the half term break. A few tears were shed this week as we made the final touches to our first animated piece – which is about a student losing their Grandad to Covid. Art is a wonderful way of letting your feelings take wings. The first Thursday back after half term we'll be having a Room 13 Committee Day - all committee members have been invited to spend the day in Room 13 getting it reorganised, and having some self esteem coaching in preparation for the new school year.

The Great Big Community Cook Weekend

To celebrate our whole school community, the Great Big Community Cook Weekend will be this year on 26th and 27th June. Everyone is invited to take part, simply choose one of the recipes from the cookbook, something that you wouldn't normally cook, and enjoy cooking, eating and celebrating with your family at home. Don't forget to take some fabulous photos and email them to us at office@themill-tkat.org. Please note that, by sending us your photos, you give permission for us to publish them in The Mill Community Cookbook. For information and updates, keep checking here: <https://sites.google.com/themill-tkat.org/the-mill-community-cookbook/home/the-big-community-cook-day> Let's get cooking!

PE Kit Policy

In the link below you will find our new PE kit policy. The most important change is that children will now come to school in their PE kit on their PE days. Teachers have been reminding the children today of their current PE days and will also send a MarvellousME message to you. <https://www.themill-tkat.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/PE-kit-policy-2021.pdf>

EYFS – Mean Megan

Our topic this term was superheroes and villains. Mean Megan, one of the villains, has been secretly causing some mess and destruction in the classrooms, so this week she visited the children for a chat.

It was AMAZING and they loved it, they sat so beautifully showing her the right choices and helping her to change her ways. Well done all for being so sensible!



Wearing Masks on School Site

Please find my letter from yesterday about the wearing of masks on the school grounds here: <https://www.themill-tkat.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/Masks-on-School-Site-Letter.pdf>

Homework Hero

Our Homework Hero this week is Reece from Kahlo class in Year 4. He has encountered a sparrow's nest in the wall at home and has then researched all about the sparrow and constructed a sparrow's nest using straw which he 'borrowed' from his hamster and eggs which he had from Easter. He has found out that the sparrow will return to the same nest next year.



Enjoy a (hopefully) sunny half term and see you in June!

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 go and myself deliver the children their badges. This week's winners from Reception to Year 6 and reasons from their teachers were:

Picasso Benjamin - You have been absolutely on fire this week with your reading and writing. Keep it up!!

Matisse Isiah because he has been working so hard with his reading - Superstar! We are so proud!

Kandinsky Alfie has been consistently knocking his teachers socks off with his super writing of wanted posters to help us find Mean Megan.

Hepworth Stacey for always working hard even when the work is tricky!

Hockney Tommy - He has created an excellent acrostic poem about tigers! Well done Tommy!

Monet Noah - Both the diary entry and the Great Fire of London acrostic poem that you chose to do as extra work at home were excellent. I loved sharing them with the class!!

Goldsworthy Kaci-Leigh for her improved behavior and attitude for learning.

O'Keeffe Soorayansh for his outstanding handwriting and concentration on his publishing of his explanation text.

Lichtenstein Emeli - She is contributing so much more in class, always putting her hand up and always getting involved! well done! :)

Mondrian Isabelle for trying hard in everything that she does particularly in reading which has caused her to excel way beyond her years. It was lovely to hear from her that she enjoys reading a lot at home. Well done!

Hokusai Scarlett - For making such a fantastic start at The Mill and being a proactive learner from day 1. Well done!

Kahlo Edward for all your hard work in writing and producing an incredible news report. You are a superstar!

Miro Luka for making a big improvement to your handwriting and presentation in all subjects. Well done!

Moore Amy and **Zeeshan** because everyone in Moore class will miss you so much, good luck in your new schools!

Van Gogh Sariya - Your kindness, respect and attitude to learning is absolutely exemplar and I am truly blessed to be your teacher. Good luck in your new school, although, you won't need it because we know you will be brilliant!

Egonu Kingsley for blowing our visitor's socks off this week when talking about all of the strategies that you use when you find something tricky in maths!

Rousseau Ellis for an amazing first week in Rousseau class. You have settled in so quickly, well done!

Riley Umay for a huge improvement in all subjects but especially reading! Well done!

Da Vinci Billy for his ever-developing enjoyment of reading - easily on target for one million words this year.



Diary Dates

May Half Term

Starting Bank Holiday Monday 31st May, continuing Tuesday 1st to Friday 4th June.

The Great Big Community Cook Weekend

26th and 27th June.

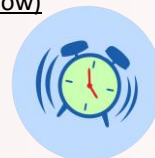
School Photos (permitting Covid-19 restrictions allow)

Monday 28th June.

Last Day of Summer Term

Wednesday 21st July.

Inset Days Thursday 22nd and Friday 23rd July.



Attendance Cup Winners

Congratulations to this week's winners, our Year 2 classes had the highest attendance.

Well done everyone!

