



Monday 30th January 2023

Newsletter

Term 3 Week 5

It has been a busy two weeks at The Discovery School. The School Choir recently visited the O2 arena in London to take part in the Young Voices national singing event. The children performed beautifully to an audience of 10,000 people!

Our school football team played their first match in the Tonbridge and Malling Schools Football League – read below for more details of how they got on!

The children in Year 1 enjoyed an Africa Day workshop, the children in EYFS have taken part in a Chinese New Year workshop and the children in Year 5 visited space in the Astrodome!

Have a great week everybody!

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Miss T Gobell
Head Teacher

Value Points

All of the children have been working hard to uphold our school values of Honesty, Kindness, Perseverance, Friendship and Respect.

Winning House week ending 20th January 2023
– Garnet House

Winning House week ending 27th January 2023
– Garnet House



Attendance

The Government expects all schools to promote the importance of good school attendance. Following the disruption caused by the pandemic, regular attendance at school has never been more important. Overall attendance so far for the year 2022/23 has been good at 95.2%, compared to 92.3% nationally.

Best Class Attendance:

Well done Nightingale Class (week ending 20th January 2023) – 98.6%

Well done Thunberg and Hawking Classes (week ending 27th January 2023) – 98.7%



Upcoming dates for your diary

Please find below a list of key dates set for the rest of this term:

- Monday 6th February – Children's Mental Health Week
- Tuesday 7th February – Safer Internet Day
- Friday 10th February – **End of term 3**
- Monday 20th February – **Start of Term 4 (INSET Day – school closed to children)**



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Welcome

Welcome to our newest members of staff: Mrs Higginson has been appointed as a new teaching assistant in Curie Class and Mrs Divall and Mrs Lategan have both been appointed as new Key Workers. I am sure you will join me in welcoming them to Team Discovery!

Football News!

On Monday 23rd January, The Discovery School football team played at home to Platt Church of England Primary School.

Congratulations to Jack Moore, Andreas Koffas (twice) and Austin Hill for scoring for our school. The team played really well and showed great team spirit!

The Discovery School – 4
Platt CoE Primary – 0



Go Team Discovery!

Super Star Corner

Well done to Elsa Hiscock in Jemison Class. Elsa recently took part in her swimming club gala, winning her first ever medal by coming third in the girls under 10s breaststroke – fantastic news Elsa!



News from The Eco-Club:



Our Eco-Club members are encouraging everyone to 'Switch Off for Switch-Off Fortnight' from 30th January to 10th February 2023



Kings Hill Christmas Market:

Many thanks to organisers of the Kings Hill Schools Virtual Christmas Market, who have recently donated a very welcome £130 to our school fund.



Cars Idling:

Once again, I have to remind parents **not** to park in the 'Drop off Zone' whilst waiting for the gates to open. If you wish to wait, you **must** park outside of school or in a designated parking bay. Additionally, **do not** leave your cars idling at the beginning and end of the day – the children are forced to walk through a smog of exhaust fumes which is totally unacceptable.



My Community Voice:

Kent Police has asked us to signpost parents to the upcoming neighbourhood policing week. Please see attached to this newsletter a poster about 'My Community Voice'. The local police are hoping to sign up as many local residents as possible, so that people can stay up to date with what is happening in the area.

Super Star Corner

Congratulations to Ivan Kulik in Jackson class, who has won nine gold medals and the Age Group Cup at the Tonbridge Swimming Club Championship. Ivan has become the youngest swimmer to automatically qualify for the Kent County Championships 2023 – excellent news Ivan!



Well done to Freya Templeton in Earhart class, who has worked very hard at her swimming lessons and successfully passed her 25m – brilliant news Freya!

