











## Newsletter

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Week 2 Term 2

Here we are – two weeks into Term 2 already, with only 44 sleeps left until Christmas! How did that happen...

Already this term, Year 4 have been on a school visit to Kent Life, our children have performed for Children in Need and the FODS (PTA) has organised their annual Fireworks Display! We still have lots to look forward to in the remaining few weeks before Christmas.

On 23<sup>rd</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> November, we will be holding our first set of parent consultations for this academic year. If you haven't yet booked your appointment, please do so using the online booking system:

https://discoveryschool.schoolcloud.co.uk/

#### **Super Star Corner**

Congratulations to Lacey Hudgell who has just received The Young Carer Award 2021 from The National Children & Young People Awards.



Well done Lacey!

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#### **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 5<sup>th</sup> November) – Scott House

Winning House (week ending 12<sup>th</sup> November) – Cook House



#### **Attendance**

The Government expects all schools to promote the importance of good school attendance. Attendance at The Discovery School has always

been high, but is currently being affected by COVID-19.

Overall attendance so far for the year 2021/22: 95.45%

#### **Best Class Attendance:**

Well done Dyson Class (week ending 5<sup>th</sup> November 2021) - 100%

Well done Pasteur Class (week ending 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021) – 99.3%



Wellbeing Award for Schools



#### **Upcoming dates for your diary**

Please find below a list of key dates for November. All of the dates below, and the organisation of any planned events,

will be subject to any COVID-19 restrictions which may be in place and may be subject to last minute change.

- 13<sup>th</sup> November FODS Firework Display
- 15<sup>th</sup> November Anti-bullying Week
- 15<sup>th</sup> November Year 6 trip to Horton Kirby
- 18<sup>th</sup> November New Entrants Tour

Online

Safety

- 23<sup>rd</sup> November Parent Consultations
- 25<sup>th</sup> November Parent Consultations
- 26<sup>th</sup> November INSET Day (no children in school)

#### **Online Safety Advice:**

The National Online Safety forum has recently published the following parental guides to help parents to manage safe viewing for their children.

**Netflix** is a subscription-based streaming service that allows users to watch TV shows and movies on any internet-enabled device. In the guide below, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as screen addiction, inappropriate content and hacking attempts.

#### https://nationalonlinesafety.com/guides/netflix

**Snapchat** is a photo- and video-sharing app through which users can chat with friends via text or audio. In the parent guide below, you'll find tips on managing a number of potential risks for children such as visible location and strangers.

https://nationalonlinesafety.com/guides/snapch at-2021

#### **Super Star Corner**

Congratulations to Olivia Jones in Einstein class who has been awarded her Level 1 Pegasus Gymnastics Award.



Well, done Olivia!



Well done to Gabriella Jones in Nightingale class who has been awarded her Level 1 Pegasus Gymnastics Award.



Congratulations Gabriella!



**Coats:** As the weather is starting to turn much colder – please can we ask parents to ensure that your children have a warm coat in school each day







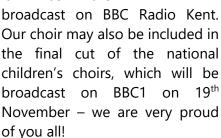
### **Children in Need:**

The Key Stage 2 choir had a very exciting time

on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November. The choir was asked to perform for the national Children in Need campaign by the BBC. The children were filmed and recorded singing this year's Children in

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Need song by Tom Brennen and it was then





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Have a lovely weekend with your children and I hope to see lots of you at the fireworks tomorrow evening!

With kind regards,

T. Gobell

Miss T Gobell Headteacher





#### Super Star Corner

Well done to Ethan Illingsworth in Hubble class for taking part in the 50 Junior Park Run. Ethan achieved his Ultra Marathon wristband and celebrated running a new personal best of 9mins 13seconds.



A great achievement Ethan!



Congratulations to Ivan Kulik in Archimedes class. Ivan recently won a gold medal in the first round of the Tonbridge Swimming Club Championship. Ivan (8) came first in the final of the 50m butterfly, despite competing against 12 to13-year-olds. He also broke the club's all-time record for the U8 age group by nearly 6 seconds.



A fantastic job Ivan!





