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## A message from Mrs Tweed

*This week we have been focusing on the word 'improve'. This links very closely with our solution circles work which is focusing on improving cloakrooms, toilets, taking responsibility for jumpers and much, much more.*

*It has been great to get our Enrichment Tuesday under way again this week. The children loved their new chosen club and working with different children across the school. We are really pleased that children are choosing to stay and are participating in this. We will continue to offer this all year.*

*As always, do come and speak to us if you have any suggestions or questions.*

*Have a super weekend.*



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## *This week our class spotlight is Year EYFS*

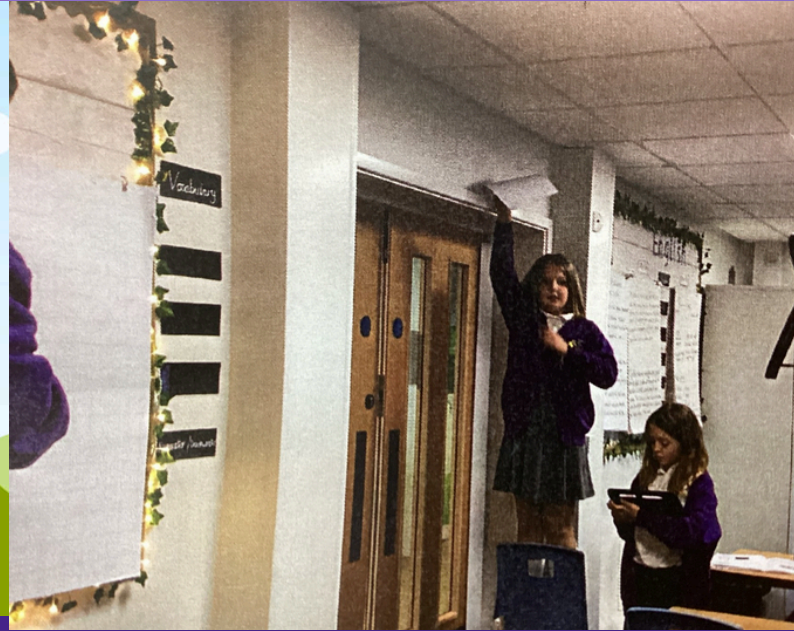
*This week early years have been reading the story 'The Wonder'. This is a lovely book all about a little boy with a big imagination. We have been wondering lots of things such as what we want to do when we grow up. We have explored being vets in the home corner and dressed up as police officers, engineers and much more.*

*In maths we have been singing the days of the week song. We have discussed what we do on each day and have drawn pictures to represent this. We have read the book 'Mr Wolf's Week' and sequenced the story using pictures under the correct day of the week.*

*In phonics, we have begun building and reading words with 4 sounds in. We have also started reading alien words (made up words) to test our phonics knowledge.*



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## *This week our subject spotlight is Science*

*In Reception, they made a solution with cornflower and water for drawing patterns and letters. In Year 1, they have been grouping objects according to the materials that they are made from. Some objects are made from more than one material because their properties. This week in Year 2, we have been creating our own balanced and varied meal to maintain a healthy body because what you eat affects your health too. Year 3 are studying forces this term. They are looking at contact and non-contact forces. This week they have been working scientifically to find out how surfaces affect the resistance of an object's movement. In Year 4, they have been learning how animals catch and consume their prey. 'Spiders are unique because they are the only animals that digest their food outside their body.' - Jessica Waller. Another year group to look at forces is Year 5. They have been researching the life and contributions of Galileo to the understanding of motion. He was also an astronomer who was arrested for promoting his ideas. Year 6 have completed their learning on the Circulatory System, including dissecting a lamb's heart in class! We are now moving on to explore the Digestive System.*



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## House Points

*This Week's House Points Winner is :*

Palace House - 390  
Tattersalls House - 372  
Severals House - 345  
Hyperion House - 320



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## Attendance



### *This week's Year Group Attendance*

Reception: 95.64%    Year 1 - 98.71%    Year 2 - 98.67%

Year 3 - 98.71%    Year 4 - 97%    Year 5 - 99.29%

Year 6 - 99.29%    Whole School Attendance - 98.19%



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## Diary Dates

*Tuesday 21st January - Year 2 Forest School*  
*Tuesday 28th January - Year 3 Forest School*  
*Tuesday 4th February - Year 4 Forest School*  
*Tuesday 11th February - Year 6 Forest School*  
*February Half Term - Monday 17th - Friday 21st February*  
*Tuesday 25th February - Year 5 Forest School*  
*Tuesday 4th March - Year 1 Forest School*  
*Tuesday 11th March - Vision Screening for Reception*  
*Tuesday 11th March - Year 2 Forest School*  
*Week Beginning 17th March - Year 5 Bikeability*  
*Tuesday 18th March - Year 3 Forest School*  
*Tuesday 25th March - Year 4 Forest School*  
*Tuesday 1st April - Whole School Forest School*  
*Friday 4th April - Last day of Term*