



Bryony School Newsletter

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Young Voices 2023



Last Friday the **Young Voices Choir**, made up of children from years 4,5 & 6 had a fantastic time at the O2. They were part of **8605** 'beautiful stars'



singing and dancing at the 26th annual Young Voices concert. The children were led by conductor **David Lawrence** who, during the day, had given the children their parts and harmonies for the evening performance. Songs included a '**Don't Worry Mashup**', a '**Pop Medley from Trolls**' and the chorus of '**Proud**' as well as some songs written especially for young voices, '**Rockstar**' being one of the children's favourites.

Heather Small the lead singer of '**M People**' accompanied the children and introduced the other artists of the night. She sang '**Moving On Up**' and her solo debut '**Proud**' which was recorded with the Young Voices choir, who joined in with the chorus. The single is due to be released during next month's Place2Be week. All the proceeds from the sale are going to this Children's Mental Health Charity.

We were left in awe when award winning violinist **Anna Phoebe** came to the stage with her 'Rock and Roll' performance backed by the amazing **BeatBox Collective** who provided the music with no instruments at all!

The children had a fantastic time singing with the Beatbox Collective and dancing with Street Dancers '**Urban Stride**' who wowed the audience with their moves.

We are so proud of the children, it was a long day and they were a real credit to the school. They behaved well and enjoyed every minute of the day.

Thank you to the parents and families who came along to support the children.

Thank you to **Mrs Atkins, Miss Jug, Mrs Kilbourne and Mrs Kunwor** who accompanied the children on the day and to **Mrs Prenter** for organising the trip. An absolutely massive **THANK YOU** to

Mr Johnson for putting together our choir, teaching our children the songs and dances and having a thoroughly good evening on the night!



Mrs Twigg



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Politics Day

While some of the junior children were at Young Voices the children from years 4, 5 & 6, had a



Politics Day in school. They learnt about the different political parties; how an MP is elected and how Prime Minister's Question Time works in parliament.

Then the children were divided into mixed year groups to devise policies on a range of topics such as healthcare, employment, elderly care, childcare and education and defence to name just a few.

During the afternoon, the groups learnt about how everything is paid for through taxes and National Insurance.

Afterwards, they had to present their policy ideas to the treasurer (Mrs Ware) to get an allocation of funding from the treasury budget.

The children thoroughly enjoyed starting **The Bryony Political Party** and gained a valuable insight into British politics.

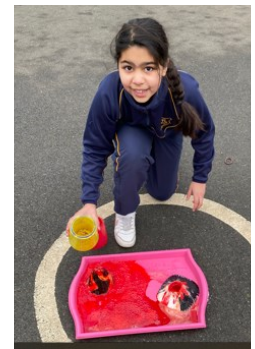
Mrs Ware

Volcanic Eruptions

In **Year 4**, we have been learning about instructions, reading them to create our own volcanoes and then write our own instructions.



Some children made their own volcanoes as part of their home learning and this week we erupted them!



Indoor athletics

This week a team of Bryony athletes competed in the Primary School Games Indoor Athletics event at Medway Park. The children all took part in various relay events on the track as well as field events such as vertical jump, bounce mat jumping and ball chest push.

Of the 12 schools that competed, Bryony came 3rd. The children competed well as a team as well as showing great fair play. Well done children!

Mr Johnson and Mrs Atkins



Thank you families for your support with this and well done Year 4. **Mrs Kunwor**

Helping Hands

Week commencing 6th February is **Place2be** Children's Mental Health Week and all the juniors have been thinking of people who they can talk to and who can help them. They have drawn round their hands and written five names of people who could help. This has made a beautiful display. Mrs Atkins did a very thought-provoking assembly on who can help you and strategies to help yourself too.

Mrs Foot



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Theatre School Stars

Congratulations **Gracie and Lyla** who both received star of the week on Saturday at Razzamataz class for their dancing and singing.

Well done to you both!



Over the last 3 weeks some of our Year 6 children have taken part in

The Department for Transport Bikeability training. Below they are pictured with their bikes. The children faced some wet and very cold weather but persevered and they will receive a badge and certificate for completing the course. Thank you to Medway Council and also to **Mrs Saroya** who played a huge part in looking after the children while at the Infant site. **Mrs Twigg**

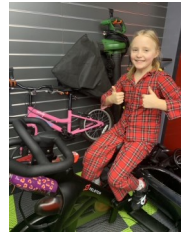


Well Done Darcy !



Darcy completed her 50 mile cycle in her birthday week on Sunday and has raised **£1128** for Children's

Cancer Charity 'My Shining Star'! We are really proud of your determination and stamina as well as your generosity.



Chinese New Year

This week we celebrated Chinese New Year in Pre school. They tried some Chinese foods and was able to dress up in traditional costumes.



Mrs Oliver & Mrs White

Art & Mindfulness

Some of the art & mindfulness children with their creations.



Mrs Kilbourne

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Online Safety

Here is a poster from this weeks #wakeUpWednesday with some great advice to help you and your children stay safe while online. This week there are 12 top tips for building cyber resilience at home.

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/>



Diary Dates

February

Thursday 2nd - Year 3 & 4 PSG Sports Hall Athletics Festival, Medway Park

Thursday 2nd - Year 6 Swimming, Medway Park

Friday 3rd - NSPCC Number Day

Monday 6th - Sunday 12th - Place2Be Childs Mental Health Week

Tuesday 7th - Safer Internet Day

Thursday 9th - Year 6 Swimming, Medway Park

Thursday 9th - MYG Table Tennis, Medway Park

Monday 13th - Friday 17th - Spring Half Term

Monday 20th - Second Half of Spring Term Begins

Thursday 23rd - Year & 4 HSSP Multi Skills Festival, Howard School

Thursday 23rd - Year 6 Swimming, Medway Park

Friday 24th Year 6 Visit to Sky Academy Studios, Osterley

Reminders

Parking

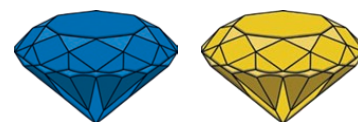
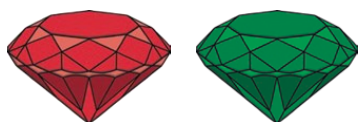
A reminder following the ParentMail sent earlier this week that it is illegal and dangerous to park on double yellow lines and school zigzag lines. **PLEASE STOP**

Uniform

Uniform is available at **Schooltime** 23 Railway Street, Chatham ME4 4HU. 01634 831684 or order online at: <https://schooltime.co.uk>

Morning and After School Care

If you require morning or after school care please complete the ParentMail form, in advance.



Weekly House Point Scores.

<u>Place</u>	<u>House Team</u>	<u>Total Points</u>
1st	Sapphire	308
2nd	Zircon	303
3rd	Emerald	266
4th	Ruby	250

Week 3 and **Sapphire** are still top for the week with **Zircon** holding the top spot for the term...

Keep earning your points and make sure they get counted.
Well done everyone!

Running House Point Scores.

<u>Place</u>	<u>House Team</u>	<u>Total Points</u>
1st	Zircon	862
2nd	Emerald	794
3rd	Sapphire	772
4th	Ruby	750

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Congratulations and best wishes to:-

Rosie & Freya

who celebrate their birthdays this week !



Last week of Spelling Shed results, who will be top next term?

Year 1: 1st - **Obarinsola**
2nd - **Roman**
3rd - **Ollie**

Year 2 : 1st - **Evelyn**
2nd - **Mireya**
3rd - **Magdalena**

Year 3 : 1st - **Lyla**
2nd - **David**
3rd - **Jack**

Year 4 : 1st - **Isabelle**
2nd - **Isabella**
3rd - **Joshua**

Year 5 : 1st - **Billy**
2nd - **Ava**
3rd - **Jeevat**

Year 6 : 1st - **Bridget**
2nd - **Ayo**

Well done to those who have been learning your spellings on **Spelling Shed** and have a place in the top 3! **Only 2 children from year 6 signed in, well done Bridget and Ayo.** Maybe a full house next week?



Don't forget to sign in to MathShed for a place in the top 3!

Year 1 : 1st - **Obarinsola**
2nd - **Sienna**
3rd - **Roman**

Year 2 : 1st - **Evelyn**
2nd - **Magdalena**
3rd - **Meera**

Year 3 : 1st - **Lyla**
2nd - **Charlotte**
3rd - **David**

Year 4 : 1st - **Ava**
2nd - **Isabella**
3rd - **Joshua**

Year 5 : 1st - **Jaiveer**
2nd - **Jedidiah**
3rd - **Brendan**

Year 6 : 1st - **Bridget**
2nd - **Josh**
3rd - **Gracie**

Well done everyone, we have a **full house** . We are so proud of you all for taking the time to log in this week! Fantastic work