



Bryony School Newsletter

Spring Term

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Space Assembly



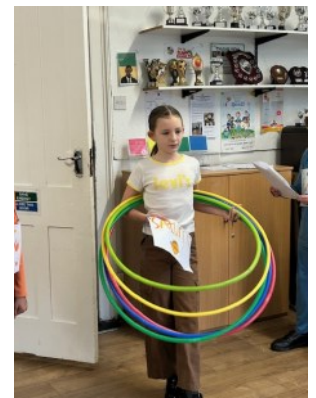
On Friday 17th January, Year 5 performed a class assembly on space as this is their science topic. Two children were 'arguing' about whether what they could see from their beds was a planet or a star when an alien came along.

The alien whisked them off in her space ship to teach them all about planets and dwarf planets.

The children enjoyed dressing up, singing and teaching us all about the solar system.

Many thanks to Mrs Kilbourne and Miss Jug too.

Mrs Atkins



MYG Swimming

Last Friday, we attended and entered a team into the MYG Swimming Competition at Medway Park. The children produced the best swimming, giving their all.

Well done children. We are proud of you and you showed real commitment to the cause and worked together as a team.

Mr Johnson

Art & Mindfulness

Year 4 have made Greek vases as part of their Topic work this term. The children made the vases using paper Mache and then painted and decorated them with their individual designs.

They really look fantastic.

Mrs Kilbourne



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Young Voices

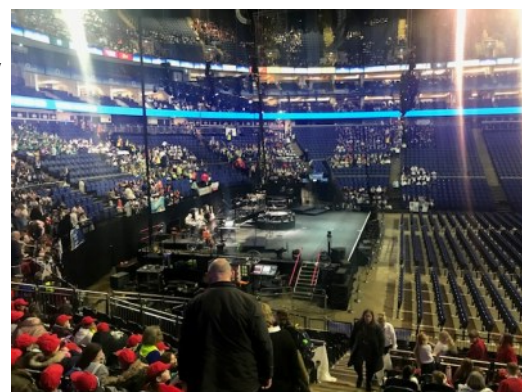


This week our School Choir attended Young Voices 2025 at the O2 Arena in Greenwich. This is one of the highlights of our year with the children taking part in one of the largest school choirs in the world. The day involves attending a long afternoon rehearsal with a fantastic concert in the evening where the children perform with a professional band as well as some famous singers. This year the children sang with Tommy Blaise, a well known backing singer on Strictly Come Dancing. This year the children sang many songs including Birdhouse in Your Soul, Lean on Me and a medley of songs from Hairspray and a medley of songs on the theme of dance. The children also always enjoy the Pop Medley which this year included Benson Boone's Beautiful Things.



Well done to all the children for representing the school and we look forward to further Young Voices in the future. Special thanks to **Mrs Atkins, Miss Jug and Mrs Kilbourne** for accompanying the children and giving their time, for which these events would not take place without staff commitment. Also, thank you to the parents who attended the concert. We hope you enjoyed it.

Mr Johnson



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Introducing Computing with Miss Hills

I am thrilled to share the exciting progress happening in our computing classes over the past weeks. Our students in years 3, 4, 5, and 6 have been diving deep into the world of information technology and its impact on our daily lives. It has been inspiring to witness their engagement and eagerness to learn more about the tech that surrounds us.

In particular, our year 6 students have been focusing on creating a positive digital footprint and understanding the implications of their online presence. The enthusiasm and curiosity shown by all year groups have been truly excellent and I am pleased with the progress they are making.

In the upcoming weeks, the children will delve into topics such as comparing media with and without technology and exploring digital scenarios related to online safety. I look forward to continuing this enriching journey with all our students in years 3, 4, 5, and 6.

Kind regards,
Miss Hills

Computing for the Future!

Year 5, during Tuesday's computing lesson, the children delved into the realm of futuristic ideas by exploring life with and without digital devices. The discussion included comparing the process of writing a piece about a futuristic idea by hand versus using Google Docs on Chromebooks.

Through this exercise, the pros and cons of digital devices for work were explored, shedding light on how technology can either aid or hinder our writing.

The children discovered that Google Docs proved to be a valuable tool in assisting them with aspects such as grammar, sentence structure, punctuation, and spelling.

However, they also acknowledged the unpredictable nature of technology, recognizing that it may not always meet our expectations.

One standout piece emerged from Inés, who envisioned how TV experiences could potentially evolve in the next 50 years, providing a glimpse into a future where entertainment takes on new dimensions.

This exercise sparked creativity and critical thinking among the students, inspiring them to ponder the endless possibilities that lie ahead in our increasingly digital world. One idea was from Ines, for a 'Projector Chair' - see below.

Miss Hills

Projector chair

My futuristic idea is a projector that projects a film in 3D instead of TVs. This will make an effect of the film in your actual room. It will make you feel like you are actually inside of the film. It will be better because you can have more fun whilst watching your film instead of your TV. Also it comes with an extremely comfy chair. You can now be comfy and have an incredible view of a feeling about being inside of a film. The extremely comfy chair it comes with has been connected with the projector so when you press the steam button there will be a bunch of steam in your room, when you press the smell button if there is a fire in the film you can smell an actual fire and if you press the move button your chair will feel like you are moving so you can imagine you are following the characters in the film. Your film is like a million times better now you also can turn up the volume and there's a footstool that when you press a button and your feet go up. It can be millions of times better than an old, boring, plain and terrible TV. It is now millions of times more realistic.

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Year 3 & 4 PE Lesson Progress Update

It is wonderful to be able to share with parents and carers the fantastic progress our children in years 3 and 4 have made in PE this term. The level of engagement and enthusiasm displayed during our ballroom and Latin American dancing lessons has been truly remarkable.

Having had the privilege of competing in championships at Blackpool Tower as a child, I am delighted to introduce these dance styles to our children. It warms my heart to see their dedication and passion for learning these intricate routines.

I am confident that by the end of this term, our students will have perfected their routines and be ready to showcase their skills. I applaud all the children in years 3 and 4 for their hard work and commitment. Keep up the fantastic work!

Kind regards,
Miss Hills



Young Cooks Competition



The poster is framed with a decorative border of kitchen icons. At the top left is the SEK Schools logo with the tagline 'A BETTER MEDWAY Easier ways to be healthy'. To the right is the 'Young Cooks!' logo featuring a cooking pot. Below that is the Medway Food Partnership logo. The main text asks 'Do you have what it takes to be crowned the next Young Cooks Champion?' and provides details about the competition, including a live final at Mid Kent College and a prize of £500. It also mentions a finalist will cook at a Showcase Lunch and attend a masterclass. At the bottom, it states the close date is 31st January 2025, provides a QR code to scan, and a link to the competition page. A small image of a dish is shown in the bottom right corner of the poster.

SEK Schools
A BETTER MEDWAY
Easier ways to be healthy

Young Cooks!

Medway Food Partnership

Do you have what it takes to be crowned the next Young Cooks Champion?

Are you aged 6 - 19? Do you have a flair for flavours and a passion for cooking?

You are invited to take part in our Young Cooks cookery competition with a live final at Mid Kent College and the winners receiving a share of £500!

In addition, a finalist will be selected to cook at a Showcase Lunch and may have the opportunity to attend a masterclass!

Close Date 31st January 2025

Scan or visit for more details & entry

Enter Here

[sekgroup.org.uk/support/sekschools/young-cooks-competition](http://www.sekgroup.org.uk/support/sekschools/young-cooks-competition)

Social Enterprise Kent are running a Young Cooks cooking competition for pupils aged 6 to 19 years old.

The deadline for entries is **31st January 2025**. For further details and to enter please scan the adjacent QR code or visit :

<http://www.sekgroup.org.uk/support/sekschools/young-cooks-competition>

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Reminders

Registration

Please be reminded that registration for years Reception to Year 6 is at 8.45 a.m. and children are expected to be in school by this time. Please let the school office know if you are going to be late as the gates often close at this time.

Uniform

Please make sure your child returns to school wearing the correct uniform. Uniform is available at **Schooltime, Chatham**
<https://schooltime.co.uk>

Academic Diary

Our academic diary is on our website. Please scan the QR code to view it.



Morning and After School Care

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

Diary Dates

January

Tuesday 28th - Year 6 Swimming, Medway Park

Thursday 30th - Year 3 & 4 PSG Sports Hall Athletics, Medway Park

February

Monday 3rd - 9th - Place2Be Children's Mental Health Week

Tuesday 4th - Year 6 Swimming, Medway Park

Wednesday 5th - MYG Table Tennis, Medway Park

Tuesday 11th - Safer Internet Day 2025

Tuesday 11th - Year 6 Swimming, Medway Park

Wednesday 12th - Parents' evening - Year 3, 4, and 6 at Meresborough Road

Monday 17th - Friday 21st - Spring Half Term Holiday

Tuesday 25th - Year 6 Swimming, Medway Park

Thursday 27th - Year 3 & 4 HSSP Multi Skills Festival, Howard School

Thursday 27th - Parents' evening - Year 5 at Meresborough Road

Junior Clubs

Day of the Week	Lunchtime/ After School	Type of Club	How to Sign Up	Teacher
Monday	Lunchtime	Crochet Club	Via ParentMail	Ms Jug and Mrs King
Monday	After School	Archery	ParentMail	Mrs Atkins
Wednesday	Lunchtime	Art and Mindfulness	Mrs Kilbourne	Mrs Kilbourne



Congratulations to

Darcy, Isaiah & Rosie

who celebrate their birthdays this week !

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

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Practising your spellings will always help you when you have your spelling tests...

- Year 1 :** 1st - **Sybil**
2nd - **Katarina**
- Year 2 :** 1st - **Shawn**
2nd - **George**
3rd - **Ted**
- Year 3 :** 1st - **Obarinsola**
2nd - **Beau**
3rd - **Holly**
- Year 4 :** 1st - **Evelyn**
2nd - **Jovan**
3rd - **Laith**
- Year 5 :** 1st - **Jack**
2nd - **David**
3rd - **Sylvia**
- Year 6 :** 1st - **Safet**
2nd - **Tyler**

Well done to all the children who used the **SpellingShed** program.

The more you practise the better you will become!

- Year 1 :** 1st - **Sybil**
2nd - **Katarina**
- Year 2 :** 1st - **Shawn**
2nd - **George**
3rd - **Rihanna**
- Year : 3** 1st - **Obarinsola**
2nd - **Leah**
3rd - **Holly**
- Year 4 :** 1st - **Siobhan**
2nd - **Evelyn**
3rd - **Jovan**
- Year 5 :** 1st - **Lyla**
2nd - **Jack**
3rd - **Sylvia**
- Year 6 :** 1st - **Safet**
2nd - **Olivia**

MathShed is a great way to help you learn and practise your Maths skills.



House Points Term 2



Weekly House Point Scores.

<u>Place</u>	<u>House Team</u>	<u>Total Points</u>
1st	Sapphire	100
2nd	Zircon	81
3rd	Emerald	50
4th	Ruby	38

Sapphire are leading for the week and the term
with the most House Points.

Well done to everyone that has gained **House Points** this week!

Running House Point Scores.

<u>Place</u>	<u>House Team</u>	<u>Total Points</u>
1st	Sapphire	774
2nd	Emerald	660
3rd	Zircon	526
4th	Ruby	367