



Wonderful Windsor

YEAR 1 children had a fantastic visit to Windsor Castle on Thursday where they took a step back in time to explore its rich history. They took part in an interactive workshop, where they learned how castles were designed for defence and discovered how Windsor itself was built and developed over the centuries. They also enjoyed walking through the magnificent State Apartments and visiting St George's Chapel, taking in the incredible architecture and stories behind this iconic royal residence.



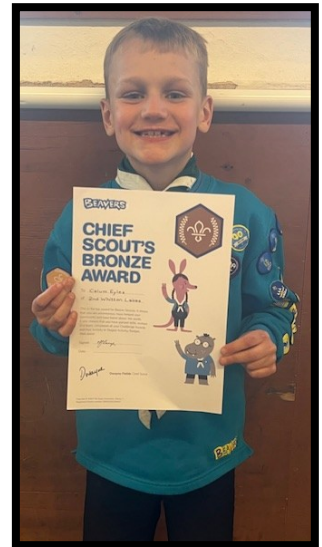
Dates for the diary

- 25th April—London Mini Marathon
- 28th April—Year 3 trip to Butser Farm
- 4th May—**BANK HOLIDAY SCHOOL CLOSED**
- 7th May—**SCHOOL CLOSED DUE TO LOCAL ELECTIONS**
- 11th May—Year 6 SAT's Week
- 18th May—Year 2 trip to The Wetlands Centre
- 18th May—Year 5 trip to Rural Life Museum
- 20th May—Class Photos
- 22nd May—**INSET DAY SCHOOL CLOSED**
- 25th—29th May—**HALF TERM HOLIDAY—SCHOOL CLOSED**

ACE Achievers



THIS week we are celebrating 2 amazing children who are part of the Scout movement. Joshua from Buffalo Class who has been awarded the Chief Scout's Silver Award which is the highest award you can receive in the Cubs section. Well done Joshua! Meanwhile, Calum from Meerkat Class has been awarded the Chief Scout's Bronze award which is the highest award you can receive in the Beaver Scouts section. Well done Calum! We are so proud of both of you!



A huge congratulations to Michael from Giraffe Class who plays for Ashford Town football team. He was awarded this super medal for being part of the winning team in a football tournament. Well done Michael!

If you would like to be part of ACE Achievers don't forget to send your photo and what you have been doing outside of school and send it to:

info@ashford-primary.surrey.sch.uk

April Reading Competition

WELL done and thank you to all the children who entered the April reading competition. They were asked to make a storybox or jar to represent their favourite story and we had some fantastic entries. We are delighted to announce the winners as Emmy—Kangaroo, Robyn—Panda, Louie—Rhino, Isla—Leopard and Elsie—Leopards. Congratulations!

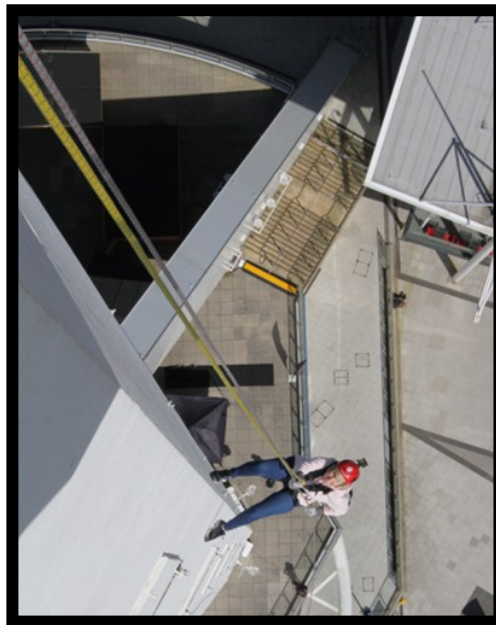


Finding our Courage

THIS week in worship we have continued to explore our value of courage. The children have been encouraged to reflect upon times that they had to find their 'inner brave,' in order to attempt a task that felt difficult.

We all experience these moments at different times in our lives and by working through these we can find a strength that wasn't obvious to us before. Our Bible verse for this half term, Joshua 1:9 reminds us that God is with us in all that we do which provides comfort at these times.

Two years ago, I was very fortunate to have been gifted an experience to abseil down the Spinnaker Tower in Portsmouth. As I approached the very high platform and started the climb down, my feelings of excitement quickly faded and were replaced by worries. Taking this slowly and step by step meant that I reached the bottom safely and can now reflect on how much I enjoyed it.



Has your child shown our value at home or outside of school? We would love to hear about it! Please send in any examples and pictures to the office using the normal e mail address.

WINNER

House Points: **601** **1300** **691** **970**

Ace Attendance Winners of the Week

The class with the best attendance this week is...

INFANTS: Panda—99.3%

JUNIORS: Rhino—98.5%

Our attendance target is 96% Whole school this week 94.5%

ACE Celebration Stars of the Week

	Name	Reason
Koala	Jayden S	For a fantastic improvement in phonics—well done!
	Mukundi	For great independent sentences this week
Kangaroo	Quincy R	For a superstar effort this week in all areas of learning
	Scarlett W	A wonderful improvement in phonics and blending longer words
Tiger	Joey C	For his exemplary behaviour on our trip to Windsor Castle
	Dominion	For always being a kind and caring friend to her peers
Panda	Ariella K	For beautiful writing using similes
	Zenaida C	For excellent behaviour on our school trip
Zebra	Carter C	For having a positive attitude to learning this week
	Alina T	For trying her best in maths this week when learning about fractions
Giraffe	Isabelle H	For excellent skills when working with clay during art
	Jackson-Hunter	For great imagination when creating a fantasy land in art
Lemur	Ismail R	For an outstanding descriptive paragraph on the eruption of Mount Vesuvius
	Vidit M	For always showing compassion & kindness to his classmates
Meerkat	Cristopher	For writing such interesting thoughts for a character in English
	Sabrina V	For her excellent understanding of the function of plant parts
Rhino	Zac P	For a fantastic effort in maths this week and showing resilience when faced with a challenge
	Freddy R	For a fantastic effort demonstrating our school value of respect and improving his behaviour for learning
Elephant	Calvin L	For making good progress with his writing using adverbials
	Faith P	For her excellent effort in maths learning about fractions
Llama	Poppy S	For her effective use of multi clause sentences in her writing
	Betsy B	For her fantastic focus and progress in maths
Buffalo	Angel	For a fantastic start to her time at ACE
	Isaiah K	For his fantastic writing in English using relative clauses
Panther	Wania T	For great progress in reading and demonstrating her comprehensions skills
	George W	For demonstrating excellent resilience and determination in maths
Leopard	Ibrahim A	For his fantastic progress and continued hard work in maths
	Max B	For his positive attitude and superb effort across all his mock SATs this week