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Shining Bright, Aiming High

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Miers Court Matters 28

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

Attendance – Well done Puffin Class (Year 3) for achieving 98.7%, Kingfisher Class (year 3) for achieving 97.8% and Falcon Class (Year 5) for achieving 97.4%. These classes are this week's top attenders!

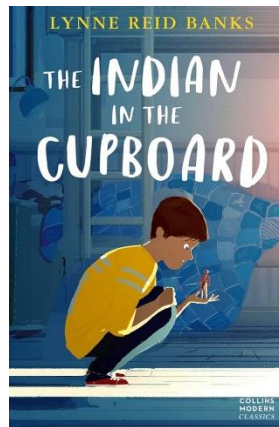
This year's attendance to date **94.3%**

Bronze Award – Congratulations to Jack B and George in year 1, Scarlett, Willow, Daniel A, Ezio and Evie W in Year 2 for earning a Bronze award for achieving 50 learning points.



Year 4 Book Talk!

In Year 4 this term we are reading 'The Indian in the cupboard' by Lynne Reid Banks



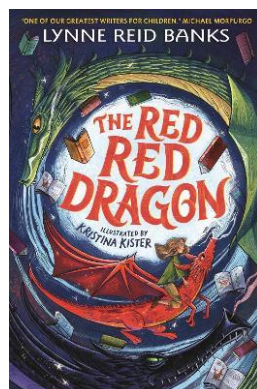
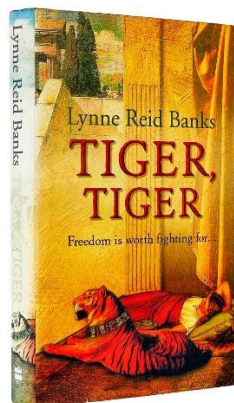
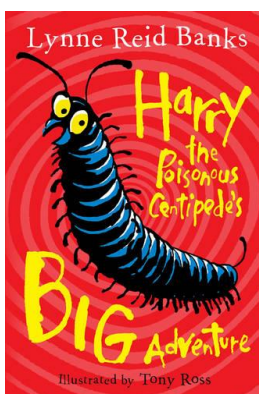
The Indian in the cupboard synopsis

At first, Omri is unimpressed with the plastic toy that he is given for his birthday. But when he puts it in his old cupboard and turns the key, something extraordinary happens. For Little Bull, the Iroquois Indian Brave comes to life!

Daniella says: 'I like the book, and I love the part when the Indian stabbed Omri with his tiny knife because it showed the bravery of the small figure compared to a giant person. I also loved that the cupboard brought toys to life, and I would love a cupboard like that too!'

Ethan says: 'I do like the book because I love the fact that the small Indian came to life in the magic cupboard and is really imaginative. It links to our Native American learning, and the Iroquois tribe that the toy 'Little Bull' came from.'

Other books by Lynne Reid Banks:



Recommended reads for our age group at the moment include:

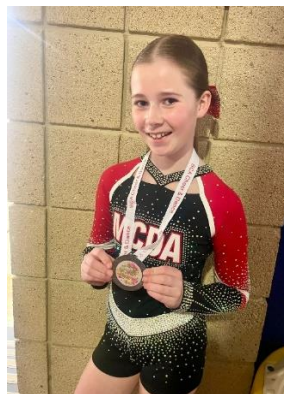
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Congratulation to Sophia year 6 - We would like to say a huge Well Done to Sophia in Year 6 for a brilliant result at her first cheerleading competition with her squad **Mystique, MCDA.**

Sophia has only been cheerleading for 8 months but took part in her first National competition over the Easter holidays, competing against squads from all over the country. Mystique did amazingly well and were awarded 3rd place! What a fantastic achievement. Lots of hard work, practise and perseverance went into many rehearsals - Congratulations Sophia!



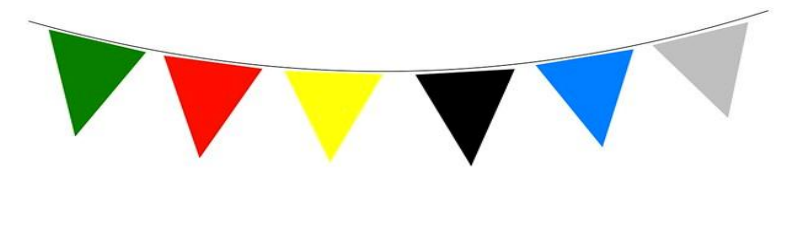
Hearing the exciting news has brought back fond memories for Mrs Doherty, who used to compete in the very same cheerleading squad when she was (much) younger! Here's a message from Mrs Doherty;

"Finding out that Sophia was off to her first cheerleading competition with a squad I used to cheer with brought back many happy memories and filled me with excitement for her. I loved my cheerleading days and went on to qualify as a cheerleading coach, coaching my university squad while I was training to become a teacher! Each routine

comprises of a combination of dance, stunts and gymnastics, with lots of technical moves, jumps and transitions. Watching Sophia's routine has filled me with nostalgia and I would like to share the joy cheerleading brings with the children at Miers Court."

Mrs Doherty, and Assistant Coach Sophia will be running a cheerleading club during lunchtime on Tuesdays, initially for children in year 6 with the intent of widening the offer to other year groups in the future. There are 20 spaces available and names have been drawn for those wanting to participate to make things as fair as possible. A waiting list has also been compiled. The club will commence on Tuesday 30th April and run through the remainder of term 5 and continue into term 6. Watch this space for updates on how our new squad gets on and a competition we will be running to decide our squad name!

MYG Netball - Miers Court's cup team did a fantastic job at the Netball Mini Youth Games. Despite the weather, they all showed amazing resilience and teamwork skills. They were an absolute credit to our school and should be very proud of what they achieved today. Well done ☆



Sports Day Reminder – Just a reminder that our sports day will be held on **Wednesday 19th June 2024**

- **KS2 9:00 – 12pm (year's 3,4,5 and 6)**
- **KS1 1:15pm – 3pm (year's R,1 and 2)**

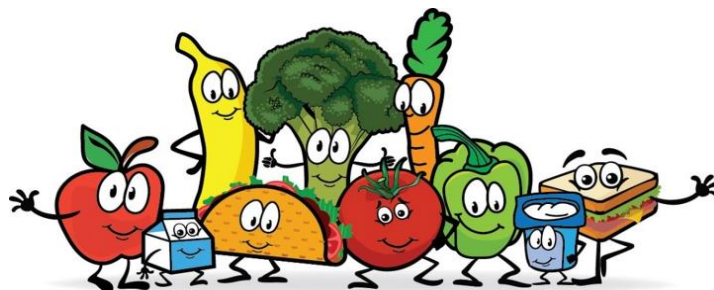


Battery Recycling – This week we have collected **284** batteries!! Fantastic total, thank you.

We submit our total to the Duracell website each week. To find the national running total go to:

https://www.bigbatteryhunt.co.uk/?utm_source=NSP&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=DUR4&utm_content=DUR4-029 Please send your used batteries into school.

Ask your family and friends and bring theirs in too!



Meal Balance reminder – Please can we remind you to keep an eye on your child's meal account, and top up when needed. Thank you.

Also, if your child has school dinners and there is still money owing on your child's account, please can this be paid as soon as possible.

Please remember that, if your circumstances change, your child may be eligible for Free School Meal Support. You can apply on line for this and we are always happy to help if you are finding it a little tricky. The link will take you to the application page and you will get a decision really quickly.

https://www.medway.gov.uk/info/200164/school_information/354/free_school_meals



We have been asked to share the following with you. There is some further information attached to this email as well.

Let's Ride – Active kids, healthy minds –

With summer just around the corner now is the perfect time for everyone to get out and enjoy some fresh air, and what better way to do that than to ride a bike. Whether you ride a new or old bike, Cycle King is here to help.

We are offering all schools in our area the chance to save a little extra on new bikes and repairs to the older ones. With many great vouchers to choose from there's no reason not to come down to Cycle King.

Please note children will need to have completed a cycling proficiency course if they are planning to cycle to school.

Soccer Club – Harvey's Soccer Academy (poster attached to email)

Strive PE and sport Half Term club - May Half Term Holiday Sports & Enrichment Activities for Young People - We are super excited to announce our 5-star rated multi-activity camps for the May half term. We pride ourselves on having the best venues to engage young people to different activities. We are also a 'Teacher Led Organisation' currently working in schools. Our venues include Brompton Academy, Rainham Mark and Strood Academy (new venue special offer) this half term!

Dates for the Diary

02.05.24 – Dragonfly Class assembly 9am

6.05.24 – Kestrel class assembly 9am **NEW DATE**

13 – 16.05.24 – KS2 SATs

23.05.24 – Skylark Class assembly 9am

24.05.24 – Community Picnic – more information to follow

3 – 14.06.24 – Y4 Multiplication Check – the children take these assessments in small groups – more information will be shared

10 – 14.06.24 – Phonics screening week

19.06.24 – Sports Day – KS2 9am-12pm (**year's 3, 4,5 and 6**) KS1 – 1:15-3:15pm (**Year r,1 and 2**)

20.06.24 – Hummingbird Class assembly 9am

27.06.24 – Nightingale Class assembly 9am

04.07.24 – Robin Class assembly 9am

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