



Frittenden CEP School

Welcome back



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After a wonderful six week break it has been lovely to welcome back familiar and new faces to Frittenden CEP.

The children have been very excited to share their tales of adventures at home or further away.

Potter Class are now full time and have settled in well. They had some mysterious visits from Pete the cat during the first 2 weeks. He was very naughty and made a terrible mess in the classroom. The children helped Pete by advising him how to be tidy and treat Potter Class.

They have also enjoyed making flapjack, using their café and blackberry picking.

Wells Class have thrown

themselves into reading The Iron Man and have produced some very creative art work based on the description that the author gives. Year three have settled well and are rising to the challenge of their new class and curriculum.

Shakespeare Class are enthralled in Beowulf and are enjoying some of the rather more gruesome aspects of the Anglo Saxons. They have even reenacted some scenes in the paddock.

Year 1 have been enjoying their new classroom and getting to know their new classmates. This week they have written some wonderful stories based on Traction Man, which is

their class text. They have also been investigating materials and have particularly enjoyed handling a badgers skull (don't worry it is clean!).

We are very excited to have everyone back, including Mrs. Farr, who has returned from maternity leave, and a huge welcome to all our new starters!

I am sure that Mums and Dads in the playground will help to make new parents feel welcome and offer some play dates.

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Events for week beginning 16/09/19

Monday 16/09 – Ms Costello and Mrs Wichall not in school a.m. – Mental Health Training.

Wells Class Information Session

Tuesday 17/09 – Potter Class Information Session

Wednesday 18/09 – Dahl Class Information Session

Thursday 19/09 – Shakespeare Class Information Session

Friday 20/09 – Jeans for Genes

Mrs Thomas not in school

Please do check out our new school website:

www.frittenden.kent.sch.uk

Friday Forest School

Year 5 began Forest School two weeks ago and they are really enjoying the space and freedom that the woods afford them. They spent the first week exploring but last week they were much more interested in using tools and being creative.

Sadly, our fire pit area was vandalised during the summer vacation and all the planks that link the oak surrounds were broken, and our mallets taken. Thankfully Caitlin helped me to make new mallets. If any parents have any scaffolding planks or similar

that we can use to replace what was vandalised, we would be very grateful.



Jeans for Genes

We are supporting this very worthwhile charity on Friday 20 September. This national charity supports individuals and families affected by a genetic disorder. In exchange for a donation (suggested amount £1) children may come to school wearing denim (jeans, shirts, skirts, jackets). Please just make sure clothes are suitable for school and the weather.

Information Sessions 17th – 20th Sept

You are invited to attend an information session with your child’s class teacher.

The teacher will provide information about the curriculum, and how to support your child’s learning. Children will not be present in the classroom during the session. Please note these sessions are not consultations, if you have any other concerns about your child, please ask Mrs Kneller to make an appointment with the class teacher.

Head Boy and Girl Appointments

Congratulations to our new Head Boy and Head Girl, as well as the deputies. The decision this year has been a difficult one: there are so many of the children that deserve it for a multitude of reasons. However, there are only four badges available. As I told all the children today: they should be proud of themselves for applying and talking so eloquently about why they wanted the role. They are a credit to themselves, their parents and the school.

The selection was based on a number of factors: these children are kind and compassionate to all of their peers; each of them will go the extra mile to help their friends and any adult; they have shown consistently that they are worthy of trust and they make good choices. We believe that each of these children will be fantastic in their new role.

Head Boy – James Gray

Head Girl – Holly Winter

Deputy Head Boy – Rafferty Chapman

Deputy Head Girl – Daisy Stanley

Stars of the Week:

Arlo
Lily S
Will O



Head Teacher Award

Ezra—for helping his little brother settle in. Ezra has shown kindness and compassion towards his little brother who has a poorly arm.

Attendance

WHAT IS GOOD ATTENDANCE?					
190 LEARNING DAYS EACH SCHOOL YEAR.					
175 DAYS FOR FAMILY TIME, HOLIDAYS AND SHOPPING.					
190 days	184 days	182 days	178 days	176 days	160 days
100%	96.8%	95.8%	93.6%	92.6%	84.2%
Good		Worrying		Serious Concern	

Last year’s attendance and punctuality are as follows.

Potter	96.5
Year 1	94.3
Year 2	95.9
Year 3	93.5
Year 4	95
Year 5	94.6

Potter	347
Year 1	1024
Year 2	391
Year 3	2417
Year 4	461
Year 5	592

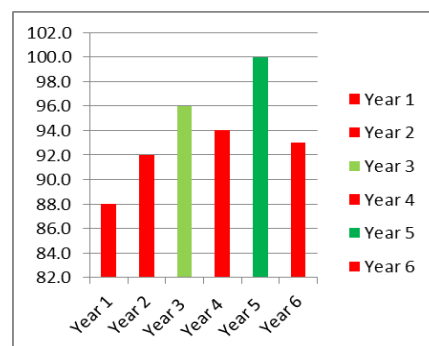
As a school community we must strive to get pupils in the door on time every day. It is very disruptive to the learning of all pupils when there are late arrivals.

Genuine illness cannot be avoided, but it is already evident that there are patterns emerging in a minority of pupils’ absence. We will be asking for medical evidence if absences persist and we will be involving the Attendance and Inclusion Officer for West Kent if attendance does not improve.

Term time holidays should be requested in writing, and will be granted only in exceptional circumstances. Parents are at risk of being fined: £60 per parent, per child.

Last weeks attendance:

Well done to Year 5 for 100% attendance



and Years 2, 3, and 6 for being punctual every day.