

## Value of the month – Friendship

### Dear Parents and Carers

#### Covid Update

Our covid numbers are on the decline and I hope that the holiday will afford us all some time for rest. My thanks to Miss Morris, my Senior Leaders, the Office Staff and all our Teachers and TAs for their flexibility and commitment in managing staffing and absence in what has been a very challenging three weeks. In the background, Brad, our Kitchen Staff and Cleaners have also worked hard to manage their areas of school life and keep things going – thank you.

We all hope that the holiday provides a bit of a 'circuit break' on the spread of the infection.

#### Head Girl Photography Competition

Please **scroll down** to see the details and rules for the **Head Girl's Photograph competition**.

#### Safer Internet Day 2022

This week the children took part in E-Safety lessons as part of National E-Safety Day. Please do discuss keeping safe online with your children at home. Help for Parents is readily available through sites such as:

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/guides> - sign in for free downloadable guides for parents

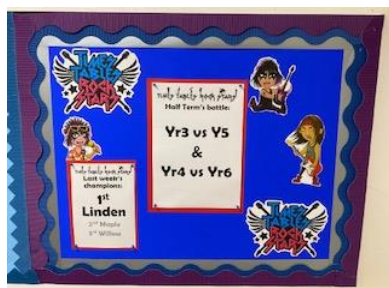
<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

#### Times Table Rockstars Competitions

The children are all enjoying the Times Tables Competitions we are having. Well done to Linden for winning the NSPCC Tables Challenge last week. The Half term challenge is **Y3vY5** and **Y4vY6** – don't forget to **log in during the holiday and join the challenge!!!**



#### Mental Health Week

This week was also National Mental Health Awareness week and the children took part in various activities and lessons to support their understanding.

Finally, the Staff and I would all like to thank you too for your support and help this term, especially during few weeks of Covid disruption, it is very much appreciated. Let us hope for a more settled second half of the term.

Best wishes, for a wonderful holiday with your families.

Mrs Wheeler and Staff

## Head Girl's Photograph Competition!

Children from across the school are invited to take part in a photography competition.

The theme is nature and we are looking for wonderful pictures from the outside, maybe in the local park and you see some ducks, maybe you go on a walk on Box Hill and you take a picture of the view- anything to do with the outside.

There are a few rules:

- In all pictures there should be no faces, house numbers, or number plates- we need to keep everyone safe
- No harm should come to anything through your picture taking
- Please do not draw on your pictures or add special effects
- Try to take your picture by yourself

When you enter your picture, you will need:

- full name and class on the back
- It should be handed into Miss Morris

When do you need to bring your picture in by?

- All entries need to be in by Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February
- There will be 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place announced for Infants and Juniors separately
- Winners will be announced in Celebration Assembly on March 4<sup>th</sup>.

Happy photo taking and good luck!

From Your Head Girl

## Calendar Dates

8 <sup>th</sup> February	Safer Internet Day
11 <sup>th</sup> February	Inset Day- School Closed to Pupils
14 <sup>th</sup> - 18 <sup>th</sup> February	School closed for Half Term
21 <sup>st</sup> February	School reopens 9am