

# Newsletter

Term 6

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# Ark Little Ridge wins the 'Walk to School Week' challenge!

Two very special visitors came to school this week; Georges Gouet, from Active Hastings, and Councillor Andrew Batsford, from Hastings Borough Council, were here to present the annual Walk to School Challenge trophy to Ark Little Ridge! The trophy was presented to our Year 2 classes who had the highest number of walkers during Walk to School week and was received by birthday boy, Oliver Poole, on behalf of the school.

The children said they had come to school via a variety of means and enjoyed the challenge. Councillor Batsford congratulated the children on their achievement of having the highest number of walkers out of 10 competing schools and spoke to them about the significance of what they had achieved and how small steps such as walking to school can really have an impact on improving the future health of our planet.

The school will now receive 6 special lunchtime play sessions run by Active Hastings.

A huge thank you to everyone who supported the children to achieve this!



## PSA Summer Fair - Saturday 29th June

Our PSA are looking for lots of volunteers from our school community to help at the Summer Fair on **Saturday 29**<sup>th</sup> **June**. If anyone is able to spare some time, please leave your name at the school office. Many thanks!

### **PSA Talent Shows**

If your child would like to take part in this year's Talent Contest, you need to complete an entry form and hand it in to Mrs Hrabi by Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June. It will cost 50p per child to enter, please send the money together with your form in a sealed, named envelope (Groups together in one envelope please). If you are using music the CDs must be provided. Further information can be found in our calendar dates.

Inset Day Monday 24th June – school closed to pupils



ParentPay

Please be aware that if Rocking Ridger bookings aren't made by 9am on required days, with sufficient funds

available to cover the required hours, the child's name and booking drops off the ParentPay system and the child's name will not appear on the club register. When this happens, school staff are not then aware that you need your child to attend the club on that day. help us to ensure the safety of our children by ensuring careful bookings are made.

The same applies for school dinner bookings. For ALL children wanting a school meal, a booking MUST be made via ParentPay (there is no charge for children in YR/1/2) so that the child's name appears on the dinner registers and adequate meals are cooked. Thank you for your support with this.



# **Y6 Visit Dungeness**

As part of their topic on land use and the human and physical aspects of geography, our Year 6 classes visited Dungeness and Romney Marsh. They visited Dungeness Power Station for a workshop covering a basic understanding of nuclear power and its use, travelled on the Romney, Hythe and Dymchurch Railway and visited the Romney Marsh Visitors Centre. Emma Mullin, Y6 Cambridge said, 'At the power station we found out how the plant makes electricity and were taken on a tour of the

visitor centre. When we went to Romney Marsh Visitor Centre, we explored different wildlife such as moths, bees, dragonflies and different plants. We also saw a blue Damselfly which was beautiful!' Take a look at what they got up to on our Facebook pages.

# Attendance and Safeguarding

#### Attendance this week

Registration groups		94.5
and % attendance		92
95.3	Y4 Cardiff	93.3
96.6	Y4 Chichester	90.6
90.6	Y5 Aston	92
98.3	Y5 Leeds	99.6
96.3	Y6 Oxford	95.8
98	Y6 Cambridge	94.4
	Chester (SLC)	87.5
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#### **iContact East Sussex Parent Carer** Autism Survey 2019:

We would like to invite parent carers with autistic children of all ages who live in East Sussex to take part in our 2019 survey. It is completely anonymous and anything that may identify an individual will be removed. It will take about 10-15 minutes depending on your answers (if you leave comments it may take longer). You can complete the survey more than once if you have more than one child on the autism spectrum to reflect your experiences with each child. Click the link below to complete the survey:

https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/953JG7Q

This week's Achievers						
Class	Name of pupil	Award	Class	Name of pupil	Award	
Canterbury	Demi Youens Talia Gilbert Daniel Cornwall	Determination Achievement Achievement	Surrey	Whole class Edward Collins Erin Poole	Determination Achievement Achievement	
Goldsmiths	Isabelle Stevens Freddie Loftus Eloise Jackson Woodley	Determination Achievement Achievement	Sussex	Jacob Gurney Jacob Knapp Kai Akerman	Determination Achievement Achievement	
Bath	Florence Loynes Theo Winn Emmie Crouch	Determination Achievement Achievement	Exeter	Fraser Dobson Esme Burgess Rocco Rose	Determination Achievement Achievement	
Brunel	Damien Kavanagh Ryan Stone Pelen Suleiman	Achievement Achievement Achievement	Kingston	Sophie Ellis Laurie Gurney Kayleigh Tilbury	Determination Achievement Achievement	
Cardiff	Jacob Catt Jacob Jennings Riley Winn	Determination Achievement Achievement	Chichester	Ashton Cruikshank Skyla Martin Alisha Flaherty	Determination Achievement Achievement	
Cambridge	Umar Ahmed Josh Perfect Edward Chan	Determination Achievement Achievement	Oxford	Jai Coleman Sophie Wadmore Grace Milham	Determination Achievement Achievement	
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KS1 winners: Y2 Bath (278)

KS2 winners: Y6 Oxford (335)

**CONGRATULATIONS!** 

# Little Ridge Avenue road crossing



We are still seeking a crossing patrol officer to see children across Little Ridge Avenue. In the meantime, if you a driver, please drive with care around the vicinity of the school; there have been a few near misses! If you are a parent of a child who needs to cross this road, please remind them of the road safety rules to help ensure they cross as safely as possible.

## Safety of pupils before and after school

Can we please remind all parents that children being taken to school and not attending Breakfast Club should not arrive before 8.40 am. We are seeing increasing numbers of children left unsupervised on site prior to this time, and regrettably this led to an accident befalling one pupil this week which resulted in a hospital visit for treatment to a serious injury. We are unable to supervise children prior to 8.40am, and therefore ask parents not to leave children at school unsupervised prior to this time.

We have also received a few concerns about children riding bikes, scooters etc on the school playground during drop off and pick up times. Whilst is lovely to see children being active to and from school, for health and safety reasons, can we ask that children refrain from riding around the school site when the playgrounds are very busy.

# **YR Sports Morning**

Congratulations to our Reception pupils in Canterbury and Surrey classes on completing their very first sports morning at Little Ridge! It was fantastic to see them enjoying themselves on this beautiful sunny morning, taking part in team games. The overall winner was the RED team with 240 points. 8 children will be awarded special sports day certificates in today's assembly. Well done to everyone – <u>take a look</u> at some of today's pictures on our Facebook page.









# Diary dates

Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> June	INSET		
Tues 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Y6 Oxford visiting Buzz Active Watersports	i <u>nformation</u>	
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Y1 visiting Blue Reef Aquarium	<u>Information</u>	
	KS2 Talent Show	<u>Information</u>	
Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup> June	KS1 Talent Show	<u>Information</u>	
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Y6 Cambridge visiting Buzz Active Watersports	<u>information</u>	
	Years 1+2 Sports Morning	<u>Information</u>	
Sat 29 <sup>th</sup> June	PSA Summer Fayre 12 – 4pm	Information to follow	
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Years 3+4 Sports Morning	Information to follow	
Tues 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Years 5+6 Sports Morning	Information to follow	
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Wimbledon themed school lunch	<u>Information</u>	
15-19 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Bikeability Course 9.15 – 11 am – course now full		
Mon 15th July	Pupils meeting their new teachers during the afternoon		
	Y6 production performance 1	6 pm information to follow	
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 production performance 2	6pm information to follow	
Thurs 18th July	Y6 Graduation ceremony	<u>Information</u>	
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of term for pupils		
	No Rocking Ridgers after school care club		









