

Dear Parents/Carers,

## A message from the Headteacher

What a fantastic final week of term we have had here at South Borough! Our youngest learners in Early Years and Year 1 enjoyed a very special visit from some real-life heroes—the Kent Police. They spoke brilliantly about how they help keep our community safe, and the children were especially thrilled to get a look inside an actual police car!

On Tuesday, it was a pleasure to welcome our Governors into school. We spent the morning reviewing the excellent progress made toward our school development priorities and celebrating the latest assessment outcomes, which show our pupils continue to thrive across the curriculum. It was also wonderful to see our KS2 children representing us in local football matches and tournaments, putting their skills to the test with such great spirit and determination.

Looking ahead, next term is set to be action-packed! We are excited for the official launch of our new Computing curriculum and the opening of our brand-new Computer Suite. We will also be holding parent consultations to update you on your child's progress, and I am personally very excited to launch our World Book Day celebrations.

I hope you all have a wonderful and restful half term. I am off to Wales to visit relatives, keeping my fingers crossed that the sun might make an appearance and offer a glimmer of hope for more sunshine and fewer downpours in the days ahead!

Mathew Currie  
Headteacher

## Sensational Light Parade in Magical Maidstone

On the evening of Friday 6th February the Performing arts club took part in the Light up Maidstone parade. It was a fantastic evening filled with amazing, creative lanterns, a giant chinese dragon and a local samba band. The club who represented South Borough took three weeks of after school workshops to make their diamond shaped lanterns. They were decorated with red and purple stars to match the red piping on the school uniform and our Power of purple award.





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Primary school

# Reads for Seeds

*Turn your old stories into new sprouts!*

**Dates:** Tuesday, March 3rd & Wednesday, March 4th  
**Time:** 3:15 - 3:30  
**Location:** The School Playground

**We need your books!**  
 Please drop off any used books in good condition for donation to your child's classroom. All proceeds raised will be put towards planting flowers to enhance our outdoor area.

## Staff shout out!



### Miss Webb

We want to give a huge shout-out to Miss Webb, our exceptionally talented specialist art teacher. Stepping across the threshold of her amazing art classroom is like stepping into a magical world for our children. Miss Webb models the very best art techniques, teaching every child across the school how to make creative choices and apply skills to the best effect. Her passion for her subject is infectious. Because of her dedication, our children's sketchbooks and final pieces are nothing short of amazing—all of which is showcased in our sensational end-of-year art exhibition. We are so proud to have her on our team!

## Celebration corner... Bettie's incredible swimming success!



We are proud to share with you a perfect example of determination this week. Bettie (Y5) was working towards her 400 metre swimming badge. During the lengths, her teacher decided to push her further and Bettie achieved 600 metres instead! Wow, Bettie - what a great achievement!

## FOOTBALL FRENZY...

A busy week for South Borough football teams. Year 3/4 mixed team went to Greenfields school. Although they lost 5-3 they put in a very good second half performance. Year 5/6 girls team played in a tournament at Thamesmead stadium. After a slow start they put in a great performance in their final game winning 2-0. Unfortunately they were unable to progress from the group stage. Yesterday afternoon the 5/6 mixed team came back from 1-0 down at halftime to win 4-1 vs Arch Bishop Courtenay.

## Sewing club's sensational projects

Sewing club this term made felt donuts for their first project. They all enjoyed creating and learning new skills. They used three different types of stitches to create their donut. Have a look at the pictures of these amazing works of art...



# Power of Purple Awards

We are so proud to let parents know children across the school who have been awarded one of our Power of Purple Awards.

Nursery RJ C	
Reception A Annabelle D	Reception B Amelia M & Jensen L
Class 1A Wilf E	Class 1B Reuben H
Class 2A Thea S	Class 2B Mikayla M
Class 3A Zofia L & Artur S	Class 3B Amelia I
Class 4A Antonia P & Rory G	Class 4B Elsie R & Simona V
Class 5A Regina T	Class 5B Alice C
Class 6A Emilis M & Haadi A	Class 6B Isabella B-F & Rochelle K
Staff n/a	

## RESIPISCENCE



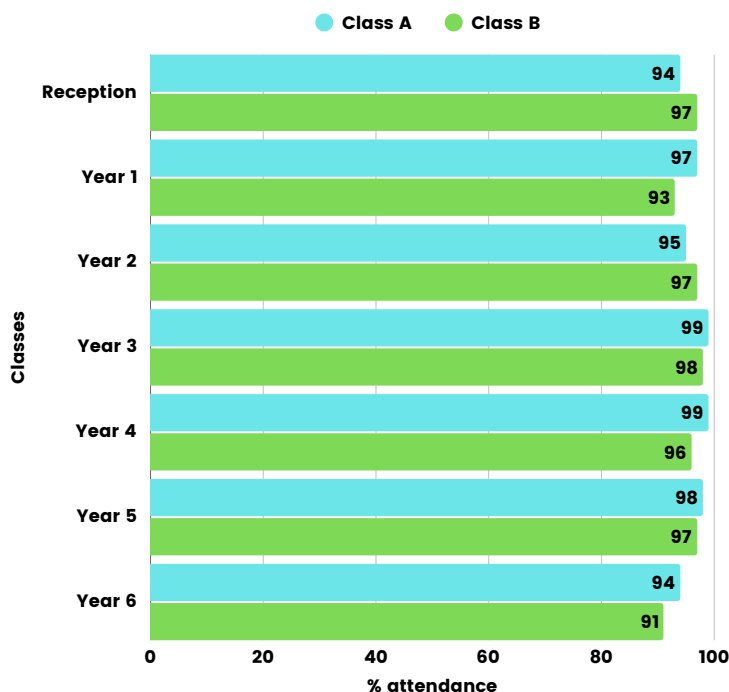
This word mean:  
**A return to a better state of mind; a moment of rest and reflection.** *Half term is a great time to give our brains some resipiscence!*

# ATTENDANCE

Take a look at last week's class attendance figures. Classes who achieve 96% or above attendance get to roll the dice in our

Classopoly game in assembly.

Congratulations to **RB, 1A, 2B, 3A, 3B, 4A, 4B, 5A** and **5B** this week!



Whole school attendance up to 96.2% last week from 95.8%... keep up the great work!

## Celebration corner... Meeting Bluey!!



On Saturday, Adam, Mackenzie and Oscar enjoyed meeting Bluey at the Spa Valley Railway. Adam and Oscar really love trains and Mackenzie and Oscar love Bluey. We all enjoyed a steam train ride from Tunbridge Wells West to Eridge and back despite the wet weather. What a great adventure was had by all!