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We are so proud!

Katy, Year 1 teacher, presented at an international conference on Wednesday at the Excel.

https://uk.bettshow.com/speakers/katy-turner

Katy has led a number of projects in her teaching career, including working internationally with a partner school in Tanzania. Katy is also our Maths School Improvement leader. Katy was one of the UK teachers who took part in the Co-Learn Erasmus project together with primary and secondary teachers from the Netherlands, Sweden, Finland and Denmark. The project investigated blended learning pedagogy in a post-Covid context. Katy's classroom action research within the project included developing a whole school approach to an asynchronous learning style in mathematics lessons, alongside developing solo taxonomy strategies to enable deeper learning outcomes in the classroom for all pupils.

Absence during term time

We have noticed an increase in absence in term time due to travel abroad. Absence during term time is strongly discouraged. **Research shows a direct link between attendance and levels of attainment.** Missing lots of school might mean that your child doesn't do as well at school as they could. The school will only agree to authorise the absence in exceptional circumstances. If a child has an unauthorised holiday then penalty notice letters can be issued immediately. Penalty notices payable by each parent are £60 per child.

"From the first day of term to the last, the small moments in a school day make a real difference to your child. #AttendanceCounts"

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Congratulations to these children who have really impressed their Teachers this week.

| | reactions time week. | |
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| 1 COBRA | 1 DUGONG | 1 SUNBIRD |
| Cole and Rhea | Leah and Kelani | Amelia and Reggie |
| 2 MANATEE | 2 MONGOOSE | 2 HUMMINGBIRD |
| Frankie and Oscar | Flynn and Kit | Munro and Leo |
| 3 JAGUAR | 3 MACAW | 3 ANACONDA |
| Mark and Poppy | To be announced next week | Jamarley, Queyana, Arthur and Oona |
| 4 HIPPOPOTAMUS | 4 FLAMINGO | 4 CHEETAH |
| Rosie and Levi | Reece and Penny | Laurene and Jaxon |
| 5 KINGFISHER | 5 HEDGEHOG | 5 OTTER |
| Jack and Shanel | To be announced next week | Theo and Oren |
| 6 ORCA | 6 PUFFIN | 6 WOLVERINE |
| Jamelia and Theo | To be announced next week | Rueben and Baxter |

Dates for the Diary

Monday 29th January – 1 Cobra trip to Puppet Planet

Tuesday 30th January – 3 Jaguar Class Assembly and Open Morning 9:15am – 10:15am in the main hall

Tuesday 30th January – 1 Sunbird trip to Puppet Planet

Wednesday 31st January - Reception and Year 6 Height and Weight Measurements

Thursday 1st February – 6 Orca trip to Streatham Faith Trail

Thursday 1st February – 4 Hippo Class Assembly and Open Morning 9:15am – 10:15am

Thursday 1st February - Year 2 Divergent Drama Transport Then and Now Workshops

Thursday 1st February – 1 Dugong trip to Puppet Planet

Friday 2nd February – Year 4 trip to Chislehurst Caves

Wednesday 7th February – Year 1 Wandle Reading meeting 2:30pm main hall

Year 1 Parents/Carers Phonics Session

In Year 1 we have recently launched the Little Wandle Reading sessions. We would like to invite you to a meeting, where we will explain how the reading sessions are taught and what you as parents can do to support your child with their reading.

The meeting will take place in the main hall, on Wednesday the 7th of February at 2:30pm. The slides will be sent to all parents/carers after the meeting.

We look forward to seeing you then Laura Jewitt (Assistant Headteacher) and Lauren Carter (English School Improvement Leader)

Updated Measles Guidelines

The NHS have updated advice and guidelines for parents/carers. Click here for that information:

nhsmeasles.co.uk

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FEBRUARY WARM UP FRIDAYS



Friday 2nd February

Friday 9th February



HOT CHOCOLATE, TEA, COFFEE, SWEET TREATS

> after school, main playground







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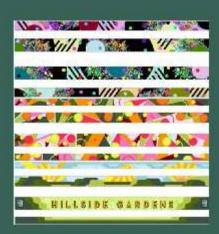
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Vote for the Hillside Park Mural Design

Artist STATIC will be painting murals on the walls above the multi-use game areas and tennis courts on the playground side of Hillside Gardens Park. STATIC have created three design - vote for the one you like best, using the QR code below. The project is funded by the Arts Council.





Deadline: 16th February







