

### Koala Class trip to the Living Land

This week Koala class enjoyed their trip to the 'Living Land' show at Detling showground, which showcases Kent farming and food. Our children were a credit to the school, showing impeccable behaviour and enjoying all of their activities. These included seeing how sausages are made (and tasting them too), shaping dough into bread rolls, watching sheep being sheared and comparing Kent apples. Apparently the dancing sheep show was also quite amazing—although I've never seen a sheep doing the moon walk, Koala class have!

### Heart of Kent Hospice appeal

Also this week members of our School Council presented our cheque for the Heart of Kent Hospice. We were pleased to have raised a total of £432.60, which is enough to fund meals for the hospice's inpatients for 10 weeks.

Enjoy your weekend. *Ruth Austin*  
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## Diary Dates

**Mon 8 May**  
KS2 SATs week

**Wed 17 May**  
Dolphin class assembly  
9.05

**Mon 22 May**  
Outdoor learning week

**Fri 26 May**  
Last day of term

**Mon 5 June**  
Term 6 starts

**Sat 10 June**  
PTFA Summer Fete  
1-3pm

**Thurs 22 June**  
Sports Day and Open  
Evening

Complete dates are at  
[www.ryarsh.kent.sch.uk](http://www.ryarsh.kent.sch.uk)

Please send in any **Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers** that are lurking in book bags, on (or under!) fridges and in the bottom of your Bags for Life! Vouchers will be collected until Friday 23rd June when they will be counted! Vouchers mean more fantastic equipment for our children for the playground and outdoors areas so please ask aunties, uncles, grannies and granddads to search high and low! Thank you :) Miss Lucas

## Our favourite Learning by Orang-utan class

This term we have been learning about Roy Lichtenstein's art work.

We learnt that he uses onomatopoeia to create cartoon explosions and we tried recreating a piece of his work using Ben-day dots and block colour. This appeared to be quite hard as the Ben-day dot had to be equal in each direction and the same size. Also we used bright colours to make it stand out.

By Millie and Megan



## Superstar Corner

Congratulations

- Hannah (Y2)**  
Bronze swimming award
- Luke & Aaron (Y4)**  
Lexia superstars
- Sienna (Y2)**  
15m swimming award
- Lenny (YR)**  
Duckling swimming award
- Siena (Y1)**  
Gymnastics medal



## Attendance this week

|         |          |         |        |       |         |            |
|---------|----------|---------|--------|-------|---------|------------|
| Dolphin | Seahorse | Penguin | Lion   | Koala | Leopard | Orang-utan |
| 93.3%   | 92.9%    | 100.0%  | 100.0% | 97.9% | 100.0%  | 99.5%      |

Congratulations to Penguin, Lion and Leopard class for their 100% attendance this week.

|            | What have we been learning this week?   | What will we be learning next week?  | Ask your child  |
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| Dolphin    | Take a look in the Learning Journal!  | Maths—we will be recapping addition and subtraction and 3D shapes. English—we will be writing our own version of The Hungry Caterpillar. We will also be practising for our assembly which will be the week after next!  | Can you practise dribbling a ball?  |
| Seahorse   | In English this week we have been learning how to add the suffix -est to adjectives. We have written some of the longest, smartest, funniest pieces of work!<br>In Maths we have been recapping our adding skills and using our number bonds to help us add 3 numbers together.   | Next week in English we will be reading and comparing different versions of Jack and the Beanstalk including Jack and the Jellybean stalk and Jack and the Baked Bean Stalk. In Maths we will be learning about Money to add totals and find change. <b>***Please collect and bring in natural materials for Friday 12th May eg sticks, stones, leaves, pine cones.***</b>   | What mini beasts are we keeping in class?<br>What should they turn into?  |
| Penguin    | In English this week we have been looking at the different Katie Morag stories. We have been finding out what type of character Katie is and how cheeky she can be! In Maths we have been solving multiplication word problems using an array drawing to help us. We have also been reminding ourselves how to use a ruler to measure length.   | Next week we will be writing our own Katie Morag stories. I wonder what adventures she will end up going on! In maths we will be revising work to do with fractions of shapes and number and using the language of rotation. It would be helpful if your child was secure with clockwise and anti-clockwise.   | What type of character is Katie Morag?  |
| Lion       | This week we have revisited time and money. We have solved lots of different word problems and have found the change from given amounts.<br>In English we have performed scenes from the Stone Age Boy and have planned and recreated our own version using paragraphs, time adverbials, adjectives and powerful verbs. They are amazing stories!<br>In Science we have made our own fossils! | In Maths we will be learning all about shape and right angles. In English, we will be creating a non-fiction book about the Stone Age. We will research facts and organise our research using sub-headings.<br>In Science we will continue to learn about rocks. In DT we will be making paper mache caves. If you have any spare newspapers please send them in! Thank you. | I have 5 coins.<br>The total amount is £1.67.<br>What coins do I have?<br>Name some time adverbials you used in your story. |
| Koala      | We had a great time during our class trip to 'The Living Land' to learn all about various aspects of Kent life. We have also been completing the first draft of our newspaper article and improving our skills in using fractions.  | Next week in English, we will edit and improve ours newspaper articles.<br>In Maths, we will be trying hard to solve different types of problems where we have to find fractions of amounts.   | Tell me about your trip to 'The Living Land'.<br>How do you find a fraction of an amount?                                   |
| Leopard    | We have been reviewing our understanding of fractions including adding, subtracting and multiplying. We have started thinking about the features of instruction writing and looked at instructions for games, pictures and recipes. We have also been working really hard on our Bikeability training!  | We will be looking at the links between fractions, decimals and percentages. We will also be finding out how to convert between metric and imperial measures. We will be developing our own sets of instructions using the features we have talked about.  | What can you tell me about how people use the River Thames?   |
| Orang-utan | This week we have been working very hard on revising the different grammar and punctuation which we have covered this year. In maths we have been developing our skills and knowledge with algebra and BODMAS.  | Next week we will be doing our Year 6 SATs tests.<br>In English we will be creating recipes for 'Mocktails' which we will be trying out on Friday.   | What is the inside of a Gurdwara like?  |