



Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have had a fantastic second week back at school, immersing themselves in their learning. With the sun continuing to shine, they have also enjoyed playing on the field and making the most of all that our OPAL activities have to offer.

As part of the National Year of Reading, TGJones in Deal (formerly WH Smith) is running a national children's book review competition to celebrate the wonderfully funny and creative ways children talk about their favourite stories. The great thing about this competition is that children can celebrate their love of reading and may even win a prize, not just for themselves, but for the school as well.

The competition is split into three age groups, with gift cards of up to £200 available. In addition, books and stationery will be awarded to the schools of the winning children. All children need to do is explain, in no more than 25 words, why their favourite book is the best book ever!

Entries should be submitted online at www.TGJonesonline.co.uk/bookworms by Friday 5th June. If your child chooses to enter, we would also love them to bring a copy into school, as we are planning to create a display in our library, which will be updated over the summer. To find out more, please visit: <https://www.tgjonesonline.co.uk/help/policies/competitions-terms/bitesize-bookworms>

On Saturday, work was carried out on our pond area as part of the National Education Nature Park grant programme. We will continue to develop this project over the coming months, working towards our goal of creating a fantastic learning environment where children can explore and learn more about the nature and habitats on our school site. Members of the PTFA have also continued to work very hard to expand the garden and growing area.



On Friday, representatives from Year 5 joined children from the district at the inaugural 'film in a day' workshop at Dover College. The children thoroughly enjoyed learning about the process of film making and having the opportunity to create their own film on just one day. Their challenge was to make a dynamic 1 shot film taking inspiration from the recent Ed Sheeran concert film. Thank you to Dover College for hosting and inviting us to this event.

We hope you have a lovely weekend and that the sunshine lasts a little longer. We look forward to seeing the children on Tuesday 5th May.

Zoe Cooper

Dates for your diary

- ❖ PTFA Fab Fridays – Starting on Friday 1st May
- ❖ Year 5 Media Event – Friday 1st May
- ❖ Year 1 Geography and English Trip – Tuesday 5th May
- ❖ KS2 SATS – Monday 11th May - Thursday 14th May
- ❖ End of Term 5 – Friday 22nd May
- ❖ Start of Term 6 – Monday 1st June

Attendance

Whole school

93.89%

Year group of the week
Year 3

Book Recommendation

This week's book recommendation comes from Ducklings Class.

Book: Farmer Duck by Martin Waddell & Helen Oxenbury.

"We have really enjoyed the story, exploring themes of fairness, teamwork, and kindness. We discussed the characters, especially how the animals worked together to solve a problem and have also taken part in a range of activities including retelling the story, role play, and simple writing linked to the text."

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Next Weeks Lunch Menu
Week 3

