

Academy Newsletter

Friday 20th January 2023
Spring Term
Issue: 3



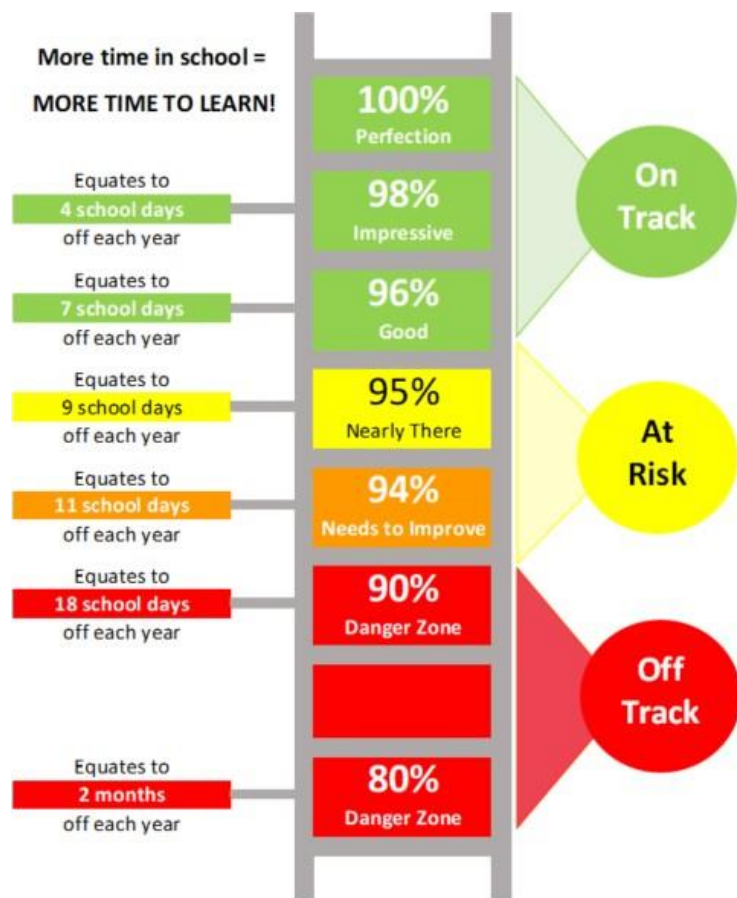
This week Year 6 visited Orpington library. All classes will be going on a visit to the library to help the children become more engaged with reading for pleasure. The Year 6 class were very fortunate that their visit involved an author experience.

The choir participated in Young Voices on Wednesday. This is the largest children's choir in the world. The pupils fully enjoyed themselves at the O2 and even got to perform with Heather Small. The behaviour of the children was excellent, especially as it was such a long day.

I am sure you have heard in the news that the NEU is declaring strike action in February and March. I do not have much more information at the moment, although I do have guidance from the DfE which provides advice on taking all reasonable steps to keep the school open for as many pupils as possible. As soon as I have more information as to how this may affect our school will update you. The first projected strike day is Wednesday 1st February 2023.

Have a great weekend everyone and best wishes.





Attendance

EYFS	97.29
Year 1	96.67
Year 2	92.0
Year 3	96.13
Year 4	96.56
Year 5	92.22
Year 6	94.85
Whole School	95.11

The winning class this week was **EYFS** gaining 2 stars in the space race. Unfortunately, no other class gained a star as they did not achieve over 97%.

Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

VIRTUES AWARD – VIRTUES TO LIVE BY



“For we walk by faith, not by sight.”

(2 Corinthians 5:7)

Lara and Eren	EYFS
Thomas	Year 1
Maya	Year 2
Cass	Year 3
Chloe	Year 4
Soleil	Year 5
Lize-Mari	Year 6

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Delaney – EYFS
Alexander – Year 2
Pollyanna – Year 4

Nursery Star of the Week



Mia





Christmas Jumpers and Decorations

Thank you for all of your donations, we will continue to collect Christmas jumpers and decorations through the month of January!

We look forward to hosting our very first Christmas Jumper Sale at the end of the year!



PUPIL PREMIUM

PARENTS WITH EYFS AND KS1 PUPILS AUTOMATICALLY GET FREESCHOOL MEALS, BUT YOU DO NEED TO APPLY TO GET THE ADDITIONAL GRANT. IF YOU ARE RECEIVING ANY OF THE BENEFITS LISTED, CHECK YOUR ELIGIBILITY.

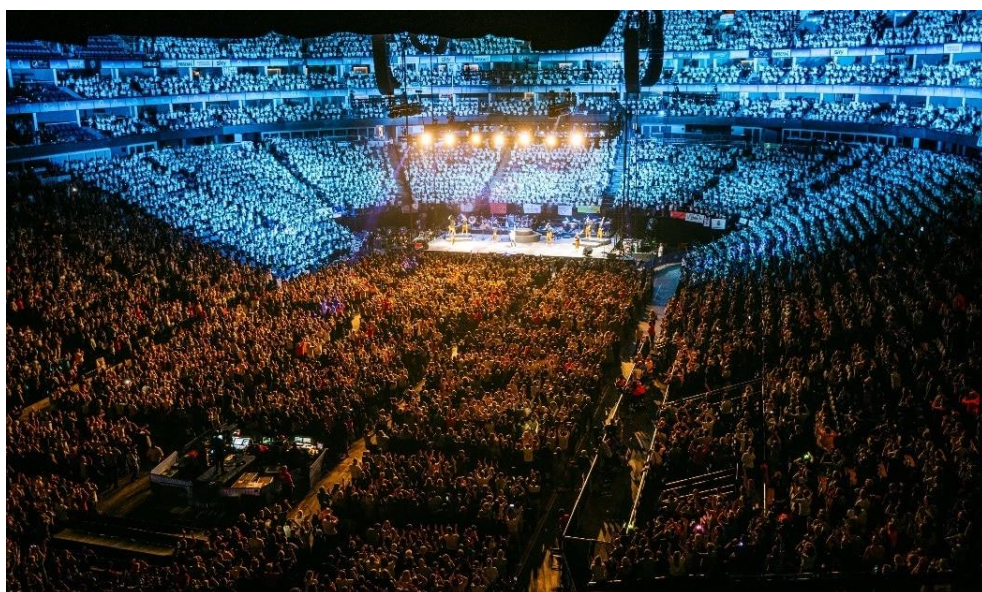
We could receive £1385 to support your child's learning.

IS YOUR CHILD MISSING OUT?

- Income Support
- Income Based Job Seekers
- Child Tax Credit
- Asylum Seeker
- Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit

The process is easy. Go to www.bromley.gov.uk/benefits/free-school-meals-1

Successful applicants will receive: Free school meals in KS2; food vouchers during the holidays; a £50 supermarket voucher or credit in their school account and a reduced rate for extra curricular clubs held at our academy.



EYFS

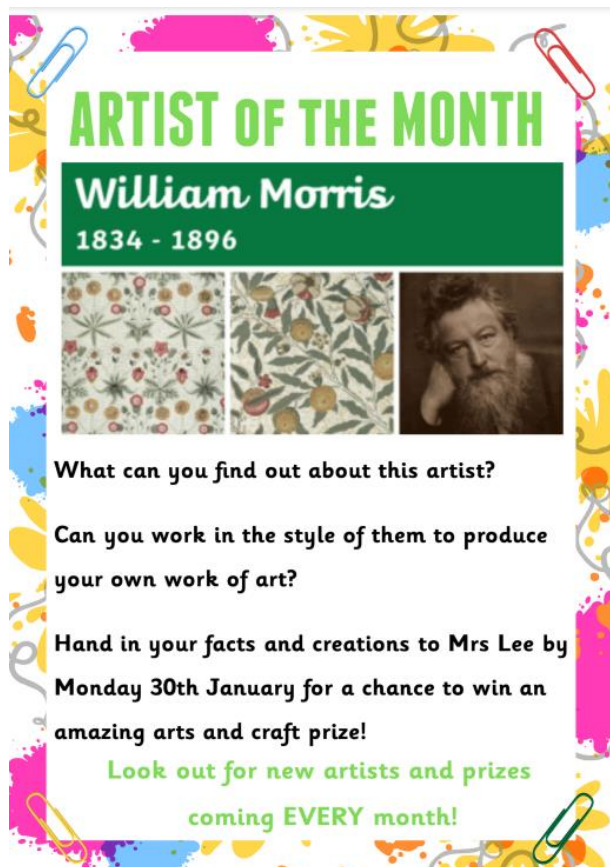
Drop in session
on

26th January 2023









ARTIST OF THE MONTH

William Morris
1834 - 1896

What can you find out about this artist?

Can you work in the style of them to produce your own work of art?

Hand in your facts and creations to Mrs Lee by Monday 30th January for a chance to win an amazing arts and craft prize!

Look out for new artists and prizes coming EVERY month!

New Dates for Your Diary

Please note the below dates for your diaries:

BANK HOLIDAY Monday 8th May 2023 – King's Coronation

This falls within the year 6 SATs week and therefore the first set of set of tests will be on Tuesday 9th May 2023.

Please ensure your child is in school.



INSET Day Friday 21st July 2023 (None Pupil Day)

**INSET
DAY**

Music Lessons

3 Flute/Clarinet/Recorder spaces available

I am pleased to inform you that there are spaces available for Woodwind lessons this term. You have the option to have 1-1 lessons or in a small group. The cost for group lessons is **£6.83** per lesson (shared lessons are subject to availability at the school) and 1-1 lessons start from **£10.25** per lesson. Spaces will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

The recorder is available to pupils in year 1+, the flute to years 2+ and the clarinet to years 3/4+ (adult front teeth needed).

Hiring an Instrument: Instrument hire is available through BYMT at **£55** per term. Recorder pupils are asked to supply their own recorder (which can be bought for under £10), I can give advice on this.

If you're interested, please apply using the link: <https://ukbromley.speedadmin.dk/registration#/>

Or if you would like to contact the school's woodwind teacher directly to discuss lessons you can email Lois on lois.nicoll@hotmail.co.uk.

Diary Dates

Amendments are in **Blue** and Cancellations are in **Red**.

Please note the lists of dates below are subject to change and we encourage you to look each week for any changes.

Spring Term 2023

Monday 23 rd January 2023	Year 5 Orpington Library Visit (more info to follow)
Tuesday 31 st January 2023	Year 5 Horniman Museum Visit (more information to follow)
Friday 3 rd February 2023	Year 3 Orpington Library Visit (more info to follow)
Monday 6 th February 2023	Year 4 Orpington Library Visit (more info to follow)
Monday 6 th February 2023	Start of Children's Mental Health Week
Thursday 9 th February 2023	Year 6 Our Lady of the Crays
Friday 10 th February 2023	Last day of half term
Monday 20 th February 2023	Back to school
Monday 20 th February 2023	Year 2 Orpington Library Visit (more info to follow)
Monday 20 th February 2023	Parent Consultation Meetings (more information to follow)
Wednesday 22 nd February 2023	Ash Wednesday (more information to follow)
Wednesday 22 nd February 2023	Year 5 Swimming restarts
Friday 24 th February 2023	Oliver Twist Theatre Company (more information to follow)
Monday 27 th February 2023	Holi Festival Assembly
Monday 27 th February 2023	Year 1 Orpington Library Visit (more info to follow)
Monday 27 th February 2023	Parent Consultation Meetings (more information to follow)
Tuesday 28 th February 2023	Year 4 Ancient Egypt Day (more information to follow)
Thursday 2 nd March 2023	World Book Day (more information to follow)
Thursday 9 th March 2023	Year 3 Our Lady of the Crays
Monday 13 th March 2023	Circus Science – Whole School Performance (Science Week)
Friday 29 th March 2023	Year 3 and 4 Easter Passion TBC
Friday 31 st March 2023	Easter Mass TBC
Friday 31 st March 2023	Last Day of Term – finish at 2pm