



Friday 7th June 2024

A **Beyond** ACADEMY  
SCHOOLS TRUST

## Important Dates:



### Year 4 trip to Fort Amherst:

4T & 4OK: Thursday  
13th June  
4H & 4B: Friday 14th  
June

### Year 6 Enterprise fair:

Friday 21st June

### Break the rules day:

Friday 28th June  
(please see poster sent  
out yesterday)

### Transition Day (meet your new teacher)—

Thursday 4th July

### Sports day: Friday 5th July

### Year 6 Leavers'

Festival: Friday 12th  
July



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## This term's value

Even in the chaos  
of everyday life,  
moments of  
gratitude remind  
us to hold on to  
the good things.

Our value this term is **gratitude**, which is defined as the act of recognising and acknowledging the good things that happen, resulting in a state of appreciation. We will be promoting this value in assemblies and will make links in lessons where possible, to help pupils develop an understanding of what the value means.

### Year 4 and 5 explore some local landmarks!

Our pupils in Year 4 and Year 5 have been learning outside the classroom this week, as we have made the most of some of the wonderful landmarks that our local area has to offer.

Year 5 improved their map reading skills by taking part in orienteering activities at Capstone Park, enjoying the beautiful scenery while they worked!

Year 4 are learning about how the Medway towns have been shaped by invasion and the threat of invasion, incorporating trips to the Guildhall Museum and Rochester Castle into their curriculum. Head over to Instagram to see some lovely photos of the trips!



### Year 4 Multiplication check

Year 4 pupils have been working hard to prepare for their multiplication tables check, which will be coming up next week. Rapid recall of times tables facts makes a big difference to pupils calculation skills and accuracy and the check is a great way for us to assess which areas each pupil is confident with while supporting in areas that need work. Good luck Year 4! There is information for parents and carers here if you would like to know more: [Multiplication tables check: information for parents - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)

### Well done!

Congratulations to Libby in Year 6, as she has achieved great success in a recent gymnastics competition. Libby was awarded two silver medals in bars and vault, as well as bronze on the beam and a silver overall in her age group. She also scored the highest overall marks in her squad. Well done Libby, we are so proud of you!



### Electric scooters

We have been asked by the Road Safety team to share the following information with you to ensure you are fully informed about electric scooters.

E-Scooters are classed as motor vehicles and are required to be taxed and insured. It is not possible to get insurance for privately owned e-scooters, which means it is illegal to use them on the road or in public spaces, such as pavements. The police are obliged to take action against anyone who is caught repeatedly using an e-scooter illegally or in a way that causes a nuisance to others. In these circumstances, the police have the power to seize the e-scooter. You risk a £300 fine, six penalty points endorsed on your driving licence and the E-Scooter being seized. Kent Fire and Rescue Service have issued a safety warning on the use of lithium-ion batteries following several battery related fires across the county. Lithium-ion batteries are commonly found in many items including mobile phones, laptops, e-bikes, hover boards and e-scooters. Firefighters are urging the public to take care when storing and using these types of batteries, and to think twice before purchasing items from non-reputable suppliers. You can find out more about this via KFRS website here: [KFRS issues battery safety warning | Kent Fire and Rescue Service \(fire-uk.org\)](#)

## Achievement Award



Well done to the following pupils for receiving this week's Achievement Award!



3L: George	3M: Luca	3P: Emily	3H: Beth
4H: Riley	4B: Alisha		
5H: Spencer	5K: Ayaan	5C: Poppy	5R: Evelyn
6K: Jagveer	6L: Gloria	6Ma: Ava	6Mo: Frankie

