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Newsletter 06

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Dear Parents and Carers

We have had a lovely end to a wonderful half term in school. Thank you for making me feel welcomed into your community. I greatly appreciate your kind words and support.

A HUGE thank you to my brilliant staff team. You go above and beyond each day for our children and I am thoroughly enjoying working together.

Kindness & Positivity Day has been a great opportunity for us to think about the meaning of our EPS values and to learn with children from other year groups. The care and kindness poured into the biscuit decorating today was impressive!

Teamwork makes us stronger and I am looking forward to planning more events which enable us to work together, hopefully with parents involved next time.

Have a relaxing half term break. I look forward to seeing you all refreshed and ready to learn on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February.

Best wishes

*Ellie Green*

Miss E Green - Head Teacher

In this week's newsletter you will find information about the following:

- EPS Values Celebration
- Staff News
- EPS Star Awards
- EPS Healthy Eating Awards
- House Points
- Homework Tip

- Moments Matter – Attendance Counts
- Class Corner: Tamarind

## EPS Values Celebration

**Respect – Resilience - Kindness -  
Positivity – Honesty**

Congratulations to EPS Values Award winners. It is my favourite moment of the week to hear the teachers talk so enthusiastically about the amazing achievements and values of our children.

**Banyan:**

*Sabiha - Kindness*

**Ginkgo:**

*Deo - Positivity*

*Darlina - Kindness*

**Hornbeam:**

*Layyana - Positivity*

*Danna - Respecyt*

**Oak:**

*Rayyan - Positivity*

*David - Kindness*

**Pine:**

*Nansi - Kindness*

*Darius - Positivity*

**Redwood:**

*Lawrence - Kindness*

*Raima - Positivity*

**Tamarind:**

*Faatimah - Positivity*

*Stefan - Kindness*

*I am very proud of you all!*

Thank you to all of the grownups and little ones who came along to support today. It means a lot to us all.

## EPS Star Awards



**Reading Stars:**

*Summayyah - Redwood*

*Muhammad - Ginkgo*

*Amelia - Banyan*

*Tom - Pine*

*Cosmo - Tamarind*

*Nabiha - Oak*

*Mahia - Hornbeam*



**Spelling & Handwriting:**

*Nathan - Redwood*

*Nicole - Ginkgo*

*Larissa - Banyan*

*Tamera - Oak*

*Zainab - Hornbeam*

*Rayyan - Tamarind*



### Times Tables & Number Rock Stars:

- Humaid - Gingko
- Daryna - Hornbeam
- Aleksander - Redwood
- Hasan - Banyan
- Matei- Tamarind
- Aydin - Pine
- Madhi - Hornbeam

### Gold Awards were presented to:

Humaira, Easa and Nuh - Redwood;  
 Mohib, Yasin - Pine, Milosz, Haitham - Oak  
 Zayyan, Aydin, Jannah, Mustafa - Tamarind,

### Staff News

I am delighted to share that Ms Gozen will be returning to teach full time after the half term break, following her maternity leave. She will teach Redwood Class.

I would like to thank Ms Plunkett for teaching Redwood Monday-Wednesday each week for the past few months. We wish her well in her next assignment.

### EPS Healthy Eating Awards



- Pear:** Nasar & Carter-Rose
- Banyan:** Zirwa
- Gingko:** Kanzaddine
- Hornbeam:** Amin
- Pine:** Yasin & Alvin
- Tamarind:** Safwaan B.

Please remember we are a healthy school. Crisps, sweets or chocolate bars are **not** allowed.

### House Points

Our winning house this week is:

**Ruby**



### Homework Tip

**Presentation matters.** Encourage your child to present their work neatly. It is vital that wonderful ideas are clear to read. In fact, Year 6 assessment criteria states that children must be able to write in a legible, neat and consistent cursive style. Help your child to get into this habit early.

## Moments Matter – Attendance Counts EPS Celebrate Good Attendance

Week beginning: 10/02/25

Class:	Team Attendance:	
Pear	96.6%	
Banyan	94.7%	
Gingko	100%	<b>1st</b>
Hornbeam	93.2%	
Oak	92.2%	
Pine	96.8%	
Redwood	97.2%	<b>3rd</b>
Tamarind	98.8%	<b>2nd</b>
<b>Whole School</b>	<b>96.3%</b>	

### Weekly Attendance Awards:

Well Done to this week's attendance champions – **Gingko Class**, with a spectacular 100%!

**Whole school attendance since September is 95.5%**



### Diary Dates: Spring Term

- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February – First day of the Half Term
- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March – **World Book Day**
- Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March - Y4 & 5, Science Museum
- 13<sup>th</sup> March - 19<sup>th</sup> March - **Book Fair**
- Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March - Y6, Imperial War Museum
- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March Y2 & 3, Natural History Museum
- Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March - **Parent/Carer Evening**
- Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March - **Parent/Carer Evening**
- Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March – Y1, William Morris Centre
- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April - Last day of the Spring Term

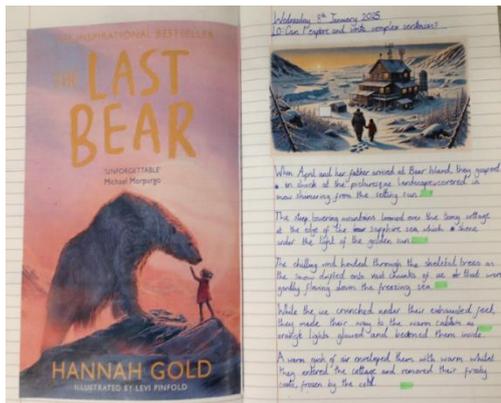
### Diary Dates: Summer Term

- Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April - First day of the Summer Term
- Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May to Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May – **KS2 SAT Week (Year 6)**

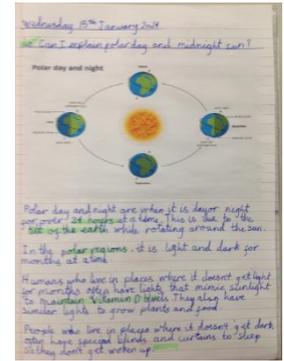
# Class Corner: Tamarind

This half term, Tamarind Class has been on an incredible learning journey, filled with polar explorations, creative crafting, and some fascinating scientific discoveries! Here's a look at what we've been up to:

## English & Reading – The Last Bear



We have been completely captivated by *The Last Bear* by Hannah Gold. Through our writing and reading lessons, we have explored the beautiful yet fragile world of the Arctic and followed April's incredible journey. From writing heartfelt diary entries to crafting persuasive leaflets about protecting our planet, Tamarind Class has truly brought this story to life! The passion in our writing has been as fierce as a polar bear's roar! We finished the term with some poetry inspired by the Arctic and April's adventure. Please have a read of our class free verse poem.



## Design Technology – Stitching Up a Storm!

Needle and thread in hand, we've been busy designing and creating our very own stuffed toys. From bears, frogs, stars and even watermelons each toy is unique and full of character! It's been wonderful to see our sewing skills develop, and even the trickiest stitches couldn't stop us from making fantastic creations.



## Geography – Exploring the Polar Regions

Our geography lessons have taken us on a thrilling journey to the coldest places on Earth! We've discovered how animals and people survive in the extreme conditions of the Arctic and Antarctic. Did you know that Emperor Penguins can stay underwater for over 20 minutes, and the Arctic experiences daylight for 24 hours a day? We do now! Tamarind Class are now true experts on icy landscapes and the challenges they present!

## Science – Classifying Creatures and Yeast Experiments!

In science, we've been investigating the classification of living things and their habitats. We've learned all about mammals, reptiles, amphibians, and more – and we now know exactly where a polar bear fits in the animal kingdom! We also became real scientists by conducting an experiment to find out which food yeast prefers. It turns out that yeast is quite the sugar lover! Who knew that tiny organisms could be so interesting?



It's been a truly exciting and busy half term for Tamarind Class. With so much amazing learning under our belts, we're ready for the next adventure!