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Friday 1st February 2019

The Coastal Alliance 'Blue Planet' exhibition opened last night at the Horsebridge, Whitstable. The opening event was a great success and a wonderful example of collaborative work involving very talented and creative people. Our pupil ambassadors were a credit to the school; they spoke with confidence and knowledge about the messages portrayed through the art work. My personal thanks go to Mrs Rogers who played a key role in coordinating the project. Her endless passion and enthusiasm inspires so many of our children.

ATTENDANCE

	Attendance %	No. of Lates
Year 3	95.7	12
Year 4	95.5	11
Year 5	94.9	1
Year 6	93.7	4

Currently 240 pupils with 98% or above
(130 pupils with 100%)

BEHAVIOUR

I have reminded the children today of the school's behaviour expectations. Our Behaviour and Discipline policy can be found on the website.

DAILY MILE AWARD

The winners of the Daily Mile award this week are 5SB.

ROCKING READERS

This week's Rocking Readers winning class is 4HO.

PTA COIN COLLECTION

Thank you to everyone who sent in money for PTA coin collection. We are pleased to say that 4HO (£199.90) and 3HH (107.54) are the overall winners and will go to Herne Bay High School on Wednesday 13th February for a roller disco! Classes 6SE and 4JN each raised over £100 and they will both have a movie afternoon including a snack, bought by the PTA, on the same day.

MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

Next week, beginning the 4th February is Children's Mental Health week and the theme is 'Healthy: Inside and Out'. The children will be learning how to be healthy physically and mentally. Every class will be talking about mental health and well-being and will have lessons related to this subject. If you would like to find out more, look at the 'Place to Be' website

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/> and 'Time to Change' <https://www.time-to-change.org.uk/>

We would also encourage you to talk to your children about the week - after all, we want to encourage them to talk honestly and openly about their mental health.

SAFER INTERNET DAY

Tuesday 5th February is Safer Internet Day. The theme this year includes the message 'Asking for Consent'. Mrs Keam will lead an assembly on Monday where she will support the children to explore the topic in relation to keeping safe online.

LIBRARY NEWS – a message from Mrs Cornish

I have been overwhelmed by the enthusiasm and friendliness of the pupils and staff since I joined the school as a Librarian in November, and keeping up with the book requests is becoming a full-time job!

I am going to be producing a Library Newsletter every term, starting next month, to keep you all up to date with what we've been doing. It will include book reviews, competitions, local literacy events, and contributions from pupils. Information for pupil submissions will be given shortly.

Thank you so much to the parents, carers and pupils who have generously donated books for the library, we really appreciate it.

Competitions...

BBC Radio 2 launched the 500 Words story writing competition this week, go to bbc.co.uk to find out more, or ask in the library. Closing date: 8th March.

The Henrietta Branford Writing Competition is certainly worth looking into for budding writers under 19. Go to branfordboaseaward.org.uk to see more information, or ask in the library.

I have received some amazing entries so far for the Library Book Cover competition, remember to bring your artwork to the library by **Monday 25th February**, see the school website for more information or pick up a leaflet in the library.

HERNE BAY INFANT SCHOOL

Mrs Lax, Headteacher, announced her retirement this week. She will be leaving Herne Bay Infant School at Easter. We wish her well for the future.

WHY DON'T YOU.....

Go along to The Horsebridge in Whitstable and have a look at Our Blue Planet Exhibition showcasing the work that the

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schools in the Coastal Alliance have created. Opening times are:

Monday – Saturday 9am – 6pm

Sunday 10am – 5pm



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Term 2

Monday 4th February - Young Voices Concert 02 Arena

Wednesday 13th February - Year 6 Parent's Evening 5pm – 8pm

Thursday 14th February - Year 6 Parent's Evening 3.30pm – 6pm

Thursday 14th February - End of Term 3

Friday 15th February - Staff Development Day

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STAR OF THE WEEK

YEAR 3	
3HH	Ruby Senft
3CC	Ava-May Cook
3AR	Iyla Maling
3CH	Ella-May Beale
YEAR 4	
4HO	Oscar Wolstenhulme
4JW	Maizie Couzins
4LS	Jude Senft
4JN	Holly Acors
YEAR 5	
5MR	Alex Scott
5SB	Ewan Lawn
5PP	Lily Kupperblatt
5BK	Liam Pughe
5CW	Wednesday Hill
YEAR 6	
6SE	Casey Judd
6AT	Matthew Chen
6KO	Jaydon Crome
6PC	Alfie Baddiley

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