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CELEBRATION NEWSLETTER

Here is the final Celebration Newsletter of 2020. We hope you've enjoyed reading about the amazing achievements of our fantastic children this term. Have a wonderful festive break and see you in 2021!

Mr Doody

South Downs Virtual Cross-Country Race

In October 2020, our children competed in a virtual 1.5km cross country race against lots of other schools across Sussex. In total over 1800 children took part and we are so proud of all our Meridian children who gave it their best. Children who came in the top 200 were all congratulated in assembly. However we would like to celebrate the achievements of two children in particular.

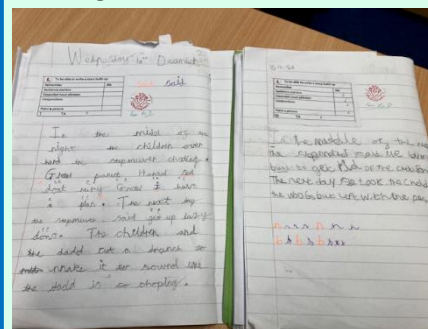
Ruben Tovey in year 5 came **1st!** In response to the result Reuben modestly said *"I don't quite believe it to be honest – it's a shock. But now I want to train even harder at football so I can get even quicker."*

Freiya Drury in year 6 came a very respectable 23rd overall and was our highest placed girl.

Both children were presented with their medals in Thursday's virtual whole school assembly. Two athletes to keep an eye on in the future. Well done to all the children who competed. 😊

It was a pleasure to read some of **Year 2's** stories based on Hansel & Gretel.

Skyla and **Mia** from 2P both enjoyed reading their versions to me. The children have made amazing progress with their writing. Well done **Year 2!**



Reception Commendation Celebration

RE: Summer has been working her socks off. She tries so hard with her learning and is always finding things to do to grow her brain. Summer is a great friend and always helping others.

RW: Sophie has worked incredibly hard in maths this week and has been practising counting and adding during independent learning.

Year 1 and Year 2 Commendation Celebration

Year 1

IT: Ethan has become a more focused learner. He is working hard at school and at home on his handwriting. Ms Treglown is very proud of his effort.

1HS: Poppie is a pleasure to teach in Blue Tang Class. She always tries her hardest in everything she does and even when things are tricky she doesn't give up. In particular, Poppie's writing has improved so much her teachers are very proud and she has enjoyed going to show Mr Doody her amazing progress! 😊

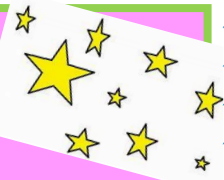
Year 2

2P: Poppy has been a writing superstar. She has made lots of progress over the last few weeks. Her presentation is beautiful and she has listened very carefully to feedback and improved her writing. At the end of every English lesson, she is extremely proud and keen to show off her work.

2M: Jacob has really matured this term and applied himself to his learning. He has been working hard in both maths and English and is eager to share what he has achieved. Keep it up!

Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 Commendation Celebration

Congratulations to these superstar learners this week:



Year 3

3B: Riley for great learning in Guided Reading this week He has identified effective words and phrases and explained why they are effective. Well done, Riley!

3D: Betsy for showing perseverance and strength during independent writing. Betsy described the senses using noun phrases. Fantastic writing, Betsy!

Year 4

4Y: Isaac for an impressive 'beat the monster' story. He listened carefully and used his imagination to create some beautiful images. Excellent writing, Isaac. Well done.

4M: Sienna for showing kindness when supporting her talk partner. Sienna is always respectful to other children and demonstrates our school values. Well done, Sienna.

4PS: Summer for an excellent first term at Meridian Primary. She has persevered in all lessons and consistently demonstrates our school rules and values – it's like she's always been here! Super start, Summer!

Year 5

5P: Ella for making a great start on her independent writing non-chronological report about Sikhism. She has used brilliant language and edited her writing to improve it too. Well done, Ella!

5B: Reuben for amazing running in the virtual cross-country event, well done, Reuben! We are all very proud of you!

Year 6

6DP: Bobby for working incredibly hard over the last two terms. He gives every lesson his best and works so hard in all lessons. Well done, Bobby!

6H: Charlotte for being a kind and supportive talk partner. She collaborates well and engages fully in discussions. Charlotte has supported her talk partner to edit their writing and made thoughtful comments.

The Behaviour Cup

2M

(111 fish)

Attendance Award

2P – 99%

Singing Superstars!

In Monday's virtual whole school assembly all the children were treated to some beautiful singing from **Gracie Fossey** and **Kaycey Lawrence** in year 6. The girls chose to sing Wake Up by Julie & the Phantoms and received a rapturous applause.



Musician of the week!

Our Christmas musicians of the week are from 1HS. This week, most of the children in the school have been doing drumming lessons - and Poppie and Pip were outstanding! They showed excellent listening skills to understand the rhythms they needed to play, and were very accurate in their complicated performance of a variety of African drumming rhythms. Most of all, Poppie and Pip demonstrated that they knew when NOT to play as well as when they SHOULD play. That's excellent musicianship girls - well done from Mr. Mole!

