

Governors' Newsletter

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Sadly we say goodbye to Jacky, but welcome her back in the Autumn term, with her therapy dog, Gertie. Governors have been entertained by the music concert, laughed at the fantastic Year 6 performance of The Amazing Adventures of Super Stan and have even turned their hand to a bit of pottery in Creative Arts Week and seen the amazing work and art displays at the open afternoon.

Sarah Lilly, Chair of Governors



Enriching Trips

The children of Mandeville are very lucky to have their curriculum enriched with many trips. From Nursery to Y6, the children have enjoyed visits such as Shepreth Wildlife Park, Paradise Wildlife Park, Mersea Island and Aladdin and governors have been on them all, lending a helping hand and even getting muddy as they dug on the beaches of Mersea!



Hi-Viz Modelling

Surely walking is just a case of putting one foot in front of the other, isn't it? Well, Yr 4 will beg to differ. Three governors have been trained by HCC to take groups of 4 children out at a time and teach them the correct way to cross a road, the best places to stand and point out all those potential hazards. We take so much for granted as adults.



Walking the Maths Walk

A group of us met up for another Maths Learning Walk, visiting several maths lessons. As you may know, Maths is a key focus, and the school has adopted the 'Mastery Approach'. This means that children (and hopefully governors) are now getting a deeper knowledge and understanding of maths, using tools or manipulatives.

Fond Farewell

It's always sad to say goodbye to our Yr 6s, but what a fantastic opportunity and time they had at Kingswood, the residential outward bound centre they go to after their SATS. Barry Young was also spotted there too, in his red Mandeville hoodie

All in a Day's Work

Jacky Pfister and Annelise Furnace have conducted pupil interviews on Maths and have met with Sarah Whisker, the EYFS Leader to learn about how the school has developed the outdoor area to encourage writing for Early Years' boys in particular. It's very impressive – do have a look if you can. Meanwhile Sarah Lilly has reviewed Science, Computing and PHSE.....

Walking Week is Coming Back

Dust off your trainers and dig out some green, as the Sawbo Travel Challenge will be back from 25th-30th September. That trophy will be Mandeville's...