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### Highlight of the week

Last week we spent some time getting to know our Lunchtime Team! They have been on the lookout for some great play during lunch and have been awarding their special golden 'Great Play Today!' stickers to children all across the school. Naomi said, "It's great that we can earn house points for our good behaviour in the playground!"

If you see someone wearing a sticker, why not ask them what they did to earn it?



### Forthcoming Events

#### Arty Party

Arty Party have been in this week and their latest creation will soon be unveiled!



#### Fairplay House

There are still some places for the Year 5 residential trip to Fairplay House (26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> February).

#### Half Term

- Friday 9<sup>th</sup> of February is the last day of school.
- School starts again on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February.



### Year 2 Race to the Olympic Park

Last week, Year 2 went on a thrilling boat tour in the Olympic Park.

As part of their geography unit on UK Rivers. The children have been studying how rivers and canals have been used for transport, leisure and industry.



The children were thrilled by the Skipper and his dog, who even got the children singing along to water-themed songs and raps!

### Attendance

Our school target is 96%. This week the whole school attendance was **95.3%**, an improvement on last week!

Congratulations to Angel class who achieved the highest attendance **AGAIN** this week with **100%**!

This week we had 8 classes with no late marks, keep up the great work!





## Views on the News



My favourite article this week in First News was Free Water. This was my favourite article because I think it is very important to look after our planet. On Earth we waste too much plastic.

In the article, it says that people can now get free water in coffee shops and some shopping malls. Sadiq Khan, the Mayor of London, also said that there will be more water fountains for people to drink from.



I think that now there is free water people should carry a water bottle everywhere and fill up their bottle instead of buying and wasting plastic bottles.

People have stopped wasting plastic bags and now they can slowly stop wasting water bottles. Even if we use plastic then we should recycle it so that it is not being wasted.

By Zaylee Rose  
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## Feeling Creative?

**Why not enter BBC Radio 2's '500 Words 2018' story writing competition?** There are lots of prizes on offer and the winning stories will be read out by celebrity guests on the radio!

**The only rule is...your story must be no more than 500 words!**

Look out for the posters around school. Any entries must be completed during half term and ready to type up with Miss Hall on Monday 19th February to be submitted.

Good luck!

## Stay Safe Online



Last week, we learned that there were over 12,000 counselling sessions more than 70% of parents have looked for advice about managing online risks.

This week's fact:

More than 1 in 4 children have come across racist or hate messages online.

**Please talk with your children about staying safe online.**



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