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Message from the Head of School:

Dear Families,

Finally, the sun is shining and our little patch on this Earth is drying out and warming up. Today I went with Holly class to see the development of the Power Station site. All of us had a great time and the children were simply fantastic with their questions and answers; they were great Ambassadors for Buildwas 😊 One of the tasks was to design the school of the future and the children came up with some fab ideas such as sensory gardens and rooms, and some really wacky ideas including ice cream vending machines and slides to get you from the top to the bottom of the school. Harworth, who are clearing the site, talked about careers in construction and that there is a big drive to attract more women into construction. I can't wait to see how the site develops; it was a really fantastic morning.

In other news:

I have been talking to Holly class this week and they have been telling me about Whatsapp groups and how nasty these groups can be. I know that I have written to you all about behaviour in the online environment before but please can you regularly check phones and look at what they are writing to each other online. The UK Safer Internet Centre has loads of advice about cyber bullying, it is worth a quick read: <https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/cyberbullying-advice-for-parents-and-carers>. Remember our behaviours should be the same in the real world and in the online world.

Buildwas Rocks:

This week in **Willow** class we have continued our journey through space by looking at constellations. We then made our own constellations using the initial of our names. We have continued to look at the story 'Gigantosaurus' in our literacy lessons thinking about what the dinosaurs like to eat, even with a little tea party! In maths we have recapped our knowledge on number bonds to 10 and ordering numbers to 10 when writing them. Preschool have continued to look at 2D and 3D shapes which they have really enjoyed, creating bridges and stacking the shapes up high. We enjoyed working with the other children one afternoon this week building a structure out on the field and within forest school. The children met the challenge in trying to make sure that they would stay dry inside the structure if it was to rain. This week we have looked at the Makaton sign 'bubbles' we were also amazed to find that we have learnt 25 different signs, WOW!





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Beech Class has had a very busy week again! We were very excited to create our final art sculptures this week. We followed our plans and showed amazing problem-solving skills when it got a little bit tricky. This was by far our favourite art topic! We also really enjoyed our English lessons this week. Our favourite task was working groups to think of reasons why the last wolf, bear and lynx from our class story should or should not eat Red Riding Hood. Once we discussed in our groups and wrote our reasons in our books, we created a conscience alley. Miss Lockley walked through the middle of us and we each shared our fantastic reasons why Little Red should or shouldn't be eaten! On Wednesday, our history lesson was a little bit different. We looked at what school was like for children in Victorian times but instead of writing about it, we experienced it! We had to sit in rows, stand up to answer questions and we had no books to write in! This week has also seen an incredible end to a fantastic achievement the Year 2s have made – SATs are over! I can honestly say that the Year 2s have shown incredible resilience, fantastic determination and magnificent hard-work these past two weeks. I could not be prouder of them for stepping up to such a challenge with bright, happy and smiley faces each day!

Oak class represented the school wonderfully at the MAD event at William Brookes on Wednesday. All the children demonstrated a high standard of behaviour and sportsmanship, playing tri golf and orienteering. We even won two certificates! We have planned and written our own versions of the events of "When the Giant Stirred" from a first person perspective this week in English. We have focused particularly on the dialogue that we include, trying to remember to put the sentence punctuation inside the inverted commas and using synonyms for "said" to make our sentences more interesting. The hundreds group have been adding and subtracting fractions in maths and the thousands group have been partitioning decimals. We learnt more about Hinduism in RE and thought about the key events on a Hindu's life journey. In computing, we enjoyed finding online Easter eggs and comparing different sources of information to find out how we can check for accuracy.

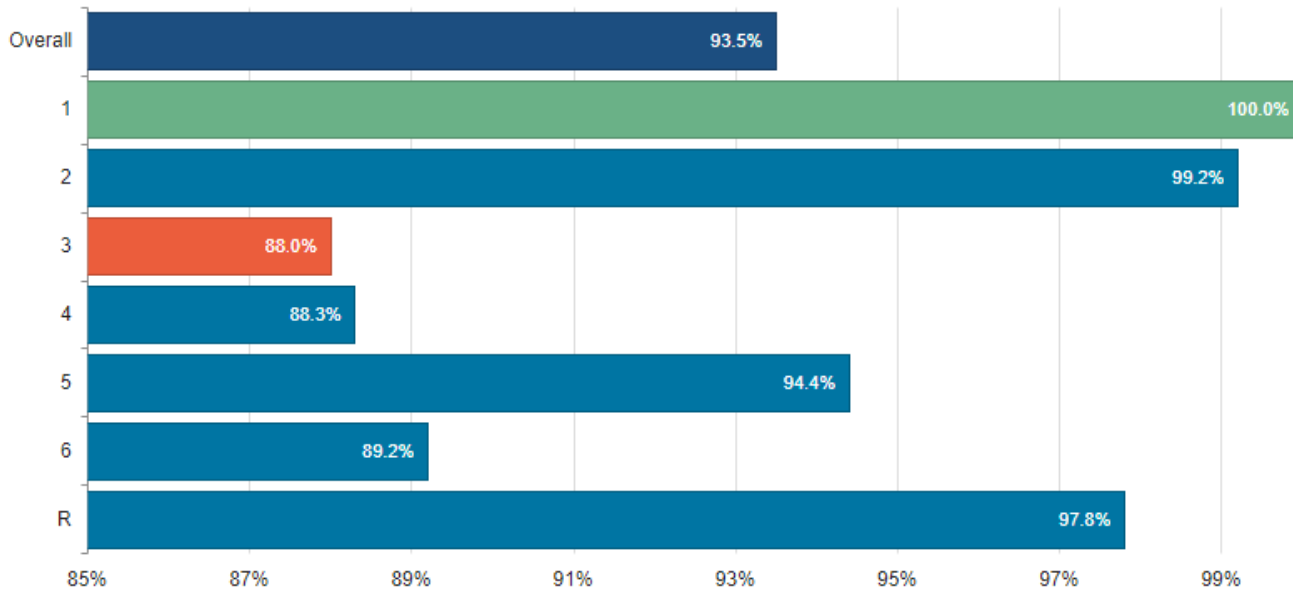
What a wonderful week in **Holly** Class! We have ended the term with a lovely trip to the Ironbridge Power Station Site. It was an incredible experience and I hope all enjoyed the morning! We have also been very busy writing reviews in English, which some have been particularly humorous to read!





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This week our class attendance is:



Please remember to check this week's class diary sheets as there are some changes to PE days.

Finally, I hope you all have a fabulous and safe half term and that the weather holds for us all 😊

Take care and have a great break.

Mr Millington

