

Dear Parents,

It seems fitting that this newsletter is written while the sun is shining outside. As we have now reached May and better weather is on the way, we hope that we can continue to improve attendance and make progress with our learning. With this in mind, I am sure that you will all join me in wishing our Year 6 and Year 2 pupils everything of the best in their SATs. These are national tests that all children in Year 2 and 6 are required to sit and you can really support them by making sure that they attend school everyday. Next week all Year 6 children are invited to arrive early to enjoy a free breakfast to help set them up for the day.

By now you may have seen our lovely **GOLD** Level Rights Respecting Banner outside the school office. With current world events going on it is more important than ever that children know their rights. This term we are focussing on **TRUST**.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes
Ms Von



Year 4 Colchester Castle

As part of our Global Treasures topic this term, Year 4 visited Britain's first city, Colchester. Colchester was the capital of Roman Britain and we went to see a Roman castle in the centre of the town. We toured the museum looking at Roman artefacts; we were even allowed to touch some of them! We travelled deep underground into the Roman vaults and even got to build a Roman villa and Celtic roundhouse.



Top tips for Sats Week:

Next week is the KS2 SATs exams. It's an opportunity for our year 6 pupils to showcase all their learning. Top tips to be SATs ready include: Going to bed early! No devices in the bedroom - a restful sleep is essential for top performance. Make sure set your alarm and come to school at 7:30am. A nutritious breakfast is available - vital brain food. Revise for no more than a few hours each day. Try not to worry - speak to a friend or adult. You've worked so hard, you can do it!

Uniform

We understand that times are tough right now and that some parents may be struggling with uniform. If you could benefit from some support, please make an appointment to see Mrs Clarke. We are planning to start a uniform recycling program and may be able to assist you.

