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Attenborough Bulletin

<u>Message from Mr Chapman</u>

Welcome back to all of our families. 2020 in our school has been jampacked with purposeful and enjoyable achievement. So much has happened since our last newsletter in December and our school continues to grow stronger every week. For this, I would like to thank our incredible team of committed professionals who work so hard and also you as parents for your continued support which is vital for ongoing success. I'm pleased to introduce you to our new House System (further information can be found on our website which is being updated on a weekly basis). In summary, all pupils and staff are in one of our four teams: JK Rowling; Albert Einstein; Anne Frank and Greta Thunberg. The children have been showing their best-self to be awarded House Points for their team. Every half-term, our Team Cup will be awarded to the House with the highest total. We are now also celebrating collective achievement in Reading through our Houses. Children are awarded points by Accelerated Reader for successfully completing quizzes after each book. We are nearly at 2 million words read so I encourage you all to keep on reading every night!

Our celebration of individual learning and character success continues through Kingfisher, WE CARE and Merit Awards in our weekly Achievement Assembly and a culture of success, and appreciation for all, by all continues to embed in daily life and learning in school. Our commitment to partnerships continues. Much learning has come from Three Bridges in London and now here in Germany with the Gordeler. This approach continues to ensure all are flourishing and achieving their potential with a smile.

House Competition Updates TEAM CUP

ROWLING	EINSTEIN	FRANK	THUNBERG
296	357	321	384

TEAM READING CUP

ROWLING	EINSTEIN	FRANK	THUNBERG
95	119	93	78

Monday 27th January 2020

<u>Key Events</u>

Week beginning 27th January After-school clubs continue

Thursday 30th January Y5/6 swimming

Friday 31st January Achievement Assembly 1415hrs

Week beginning 3rd February After-school clubs continue

Thursday 6th February Y5/6 swimming

Friday 7th February Achievement Assembly 1415hrs

Week beginning 10th February After-school clubs continue

Wednesday 12th February Open afternoon Reading event

Thursday 13th February Y5/6 swimming

Friday 14th February TEAM CUP Assembly Last day of Half-term

Week beginning 17th February Half-term holiday

Monday 24th February School closure Day

Tuesday 25th February School re-opens

Sprechen Sie Englisch?

Our learning partnership with Gördeler Gymnasium began last week. Frau Lambrecht brought a group of German students to visit our school and take part in a series of fun, collaborative learning opportunities.

Our German friends were welcomed by Mr Chapman, Mr McCarthy and the Year 5/6 team. This was followed by a visit to our fantastic Forest School facility where Mr Cunningham "Broke the Ice" with some collaborative outdoor games and activities which required lots of communication. The Shelter Challenge required the children to re-cycle the donated Christmas trees as building material. After they had built a shelter and made themselves comfortable, Mr Cunningham treated the children to toasted marshmallows on an open fire. The time around the campfire also gave the children from both schools a great opportunity to practice their language skills further and develop relationships, sharing personal experiences of different cultures.

Next, everyone went to our new Design and Technology Studio to show off their creative talents by producing action art and nail designs. There was also a photo booth where the children from Gördeler were able to try on our Attenborough Prefect Blazers – something they were very excited to do!

After lunch, both sets of children said their goodbyes, but before they left, the Gördeler Gymnasium students were given a goodie bag to take on with them. These contained British treats like Refreshers and Salt & Vinegar crisps – something most German palettes are not quite accustom to!

It was a brilliant day for everyone involved, allowing the students of the Gördeler to see how we learn in our school while experiencing our unique environment within Sennelager Garrison.

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Our next partnership event takes place in early March when our Year 5/6 pupils will be visiting the Gördeler Gymnasium. Special thanks to Mrs Kopp for organising the day and the Year 5/6 team for being so accommodating to our guests.





Attenborough Early Years

In our Nursery, the children have been exploring and using their gross motor skills in the ball pit. They have also been using a light box to investigate colour as well as testing out the new sleeping pods.

Our Nursery is continually updating its resources and equipment, to provide a similar style of provision to what you would find in the UK.

Our Nursery currently has spaces available, if you are interested please contact the Main School and book an appointment to visit, the nursery team would love to see you!



The new sleep pods are a cosy place to nap



Community Notice

On Friday afternoon, we were informed by Garrison Command that both Playground areas on Löseke Strasse are now 'Out of Bounds' indefinitely - due to the requirement of remedial safety work to the playgrounds, ensuring they meet Health and Safety Requirements and keep our children safe. As a school, we strongly recommend that you follow the advice given and prevent your children from entering either of the Playground areas until further notice. The Playground Area on An der Grimke has been declared safe for children to play in under the usual guidance. Thank you for your understanding.





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Kingfisher Award - for outstanding conduct during break and lunchtimes:

Friday 10 th January	Friday 17 th January	Friday 24 th January
Nayomi Limbu and Freddie Boyle	Oskar Kopp and Zac Clibery	Joseph Kearns, Omar Jaiteh and
		Bella Hounsell

WE CARE - Headteacher Award Winners

Congratulations to the following learners for winning our WE CARE Headteacher Award

Friday 10th January:

Illyn Gurung, Oliver Hall, Keira Durbridge, Emily Tuivonovono, Tadeo Baleiwasawasa and Erin Eyles

Friday 17th January:

Joseph Kearns, Freya Suksiri, Lewa Ratabacaca, Nia Evans, Tyler Riley and Erin Chapman

Friday 24th January:

Bella Hounsell, Liam Edmeades, Caitlynn Edmeades, Freya Young, Oskar Kopp and Kelsey Gilbride

Uniform Update – New Green Attenborough Polo Shirts

We have now taken full delivery of our new green polo shirts. These shirts will become an official part of our school uniform from September 2020, however can be purchased and worn in school in the meantime. We are currently selling the shirts at a reduced cost price of ϵ 7.00.



Class Attendance Awards

Well done to the following classes for winning our Highest Attendance Awards in recent weeks:

Week beginning 6th January



Paderborn (100%)

Yours sincerely,



Mr. Chapman Headteacher



Detmold (100%)

Week beginning 13th January

