

And now the end is near... it's been an amazing year at Estcourt!

This week sees the end of an era... we say a sad but immensely grateful farewell to Mrs Murray as she embarks on her retirement. I am sure you will join all of the Estcourt family in wishing her a happy and relaxing time. Looking back through the archives of photographs, it's clear that Mrs Murray has been a huge part of Estcourt for more than two decades and the positive impact she has had on young people is immeasurable. We really can't thank her enough for all her hard work. Mrs Murray you will be sorely missed by all!

On a personal note, I would also like to thank everyone (parents/carers, children and staff) for making me so welcome at Estcourt. I feel both humbled by everyone's support and privileged to have had the opportunity to teach and lead at our academy. I look forward to coming back and visiting to see how everyone is getting on and I know you will make Mrs Hewitt just as welcome in September.

Finally, I would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Small for taking over the newsletter earlier this year. I am sure you will agree that the improvements made have been really positive.



We said goodbye to our old class with a Pirate Picnic and welcomed our new children into F2. We enjoyed meeting them and can't wait until September!



This week we have been getting to know the new Penguins. We have celebrated Bastille Day by making flags, Matisse inspired art, tasting French food and using different thicknesses of brushes to create paint effects! Make sure you follow us on twitter @penguinsclass



It's been a mixed week in F1 with a large number of children leaving us for taster sessions in F2...there have been tears (parents, you need to hold it together!) we miss them already! On the other hand, our youngest children have enjoyed the extra space and loved exploring new activities! Look at this amazing line of animals! Thank you for all of your support over the last year; it has been a pleasure teaching your little superstars! Mrs Hutchinson.



This week the new Butterflies were let loose with a camera. They enjoyed taking their photos.

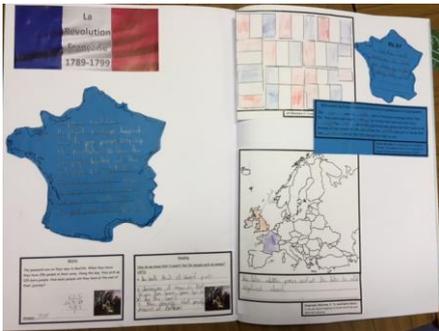
## Behaviour - Traffic Lights

At the Academy we use a 'Traffic Light' system to warn children if their behaviour is not of the acceptable standard. The aim is for the children to stay in green. The totals below show how many children have achieved this each week.

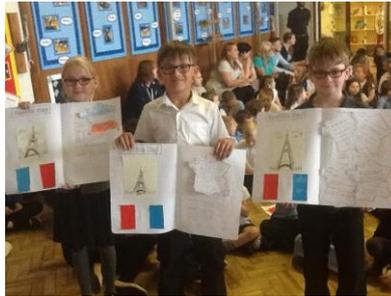
This week 289 children out of 289 have stayed in Green.

**Well done!**

Frogs	Spiders	Penguins	Rhinos	Lions	Butterflies	Meerkats	Ants	Sharks	Tigers	Panthers	Leopards
23/23	24/24	22/22	21/21	23/23	26/26	34/34	32/32	20/20	27/27	18/18	18/18



This week the new Meerkats year 4's have worked amazingly hard to produce a topic double page in just two afternoons. We have learnt a lot of information all about the French Revolution and Bastille Day.



What a great 2 day transition for the new Tigers in year 4/5! They have worked really hard to present their work on France and research lots of information about Bastille Day. They have also learnt new skills in their art work in order to draw the Eiffel Tower.



The new Leopards class had a great 2 days experiencing year 3. This week we celebrated the culture and history of France and Bastille Day. C'était fantastique!



The new Eagles class are already setting their expectations high as Year 6 pupils. A wonderful couple of days getting 'stuck in'.



The Ladybirds have had a great time in Year 1 this week! They all showed super green behaviour.

Frogs 92.0% 0 lates	Spiders 89.6% 0 lates	Lions 89.1% 1 late	Penguins 98.9% 2 lates	Butterflies 93.3% 1 late
Rhinos 98.8% 2 lates	<b>ATTENDANCE AND LATES</b> WHOLE SCHOOL 95.2% 14 LATES Attendance target for year is 96.5%. Year to date is 95.4%			Meerkats 93.8% 4 lates
Sharks 98.9% 1 late	Ants 94.2% 0 lates	Tigers 98.6% 3 lates	Panthers 100% 0 lates	Leopards 98.6% 0 lates



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