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Well it's crazy to think that we're half-way through this half-term already! There has, as always, been lots going on in school so please make sure you keep up to date by following us on our various social media sites. On Tuesday, I had the pleasure of joining 56 children and 6 staff members at the O2 in London where our choir took part in Young Voices. We joined lots of other schools at the concert where we were backing singers for Heather Small (I'm hoping it's not just me who is old enough to remember her!!). Huge thanks to Miss Cronin and Miss Howard for organising this fantastic opportunity for the children and for giving up so much of their time to rehearse with the choir. Also, thanks must go to the staff who accompanied me on the trip – it was a long day! I'm sure the children really enjoyed this amazing experience – not many people can say they've performed at the O2!

Parent feedback: Thanks to Liz Toft for organising the coffee morning last week. We decided to run these instead of the parent forums, which sadly were not well attended. It was great to meet some new parents at the coffee morning and to hear from them about our school. We will hopefully run these monthly so please do feel free to pop in as it's a great opportunity to speak to myself and other members of the leadership team and provide us with some feedback about how you feel things are going. We are always keen for parent feedback (positive as well as things you think we could do better) so this is a good way to get your voice heard.... If we don't know, we can't change!!

Parents Evening: Thank you so much to the 156 parents who took the time to respond to our survey about our Spring Term consultation evenings. 55% said you'd prefer a face-to-face meeting in school while 45% said you would rather the meetings stay online. We will be discussing with staff the best way to move forward and will take all of your comments on board. So many of you were really considerate in your responses, saying how you will do whatever is best of the teachers so thank you for thinking of them! A letter explaining how the next set of meetings will be organised (which are due to take place on 21st and 23rd March) will be sent out soon with the usual booking details etc.

Parent volunteers: I am really pleased that we now have a number of parents/grandparents who have volunteered to help out in classrooms with hearing readers/practising maths/helping in the LRC etc. This really does support the staff in giving the best support to our children with their learning. If you would be interested in coming in to help in any way, please can I encourage you to come in initially for an informal meeting with me. Following this, the compliance team from The Prospect Trust would get in touch regarding some documentation they need you to fill in.

Clare Wright

Fundraising!

Last year, myself (Miss Morgan) and Miss Howard both decided to set a goal for 2023 and enter a marathon. Our training is well under way and our marathon days are fast approaching!

Whilst going through the tough challenge of training for a marathon (I don't think we realised quite how far 26 miles is!!!) we are both raising money for incredible causes.

We wanted to share our causes with you as we would like to raise as much as possible for these amazing charities.

Miss Morgan is running the Farnborough half marathon on Sunday the 22nd February and Brighton marathon on Sunday 2nd April for Cancer Research UK and her page is:

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/emmas-giving-page-326809810>

Miss Howard is running the London marathon on Sunday 23rd April for Children With Cancer and her page is:

<https://2023tcs londonmarathon.enthuse.com/pf/chloe-howard?fbclid=PAAaZxnoa62inN6DvApGqBmYmBRDg5R2Y9him9tOTaqUH6NI8dOC6yEQC4F74>

We would be extremely grateful for any donations no matter how big or small and will keep the Frimley spirit of perseverance and resilience in our hearts!

Many thanks

Miss Morgan and Miss Howard

Huge Congratulations

Huge congratulations to Oscar in Year 3 who was a runner-up in Alexandra Strick's competition last month.

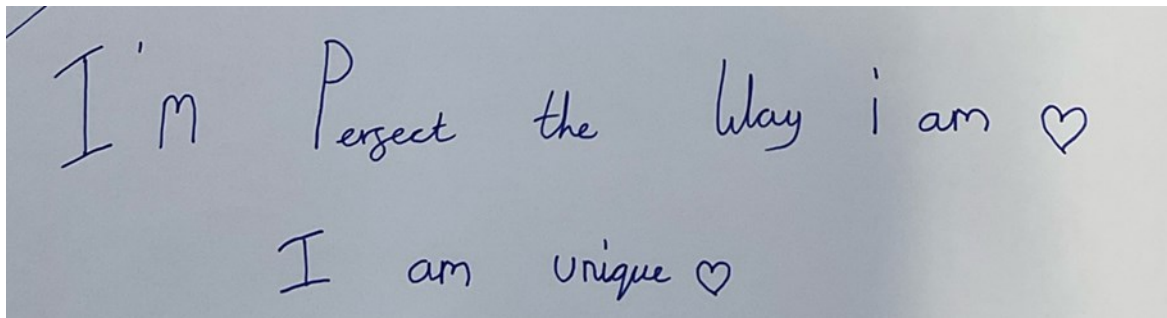
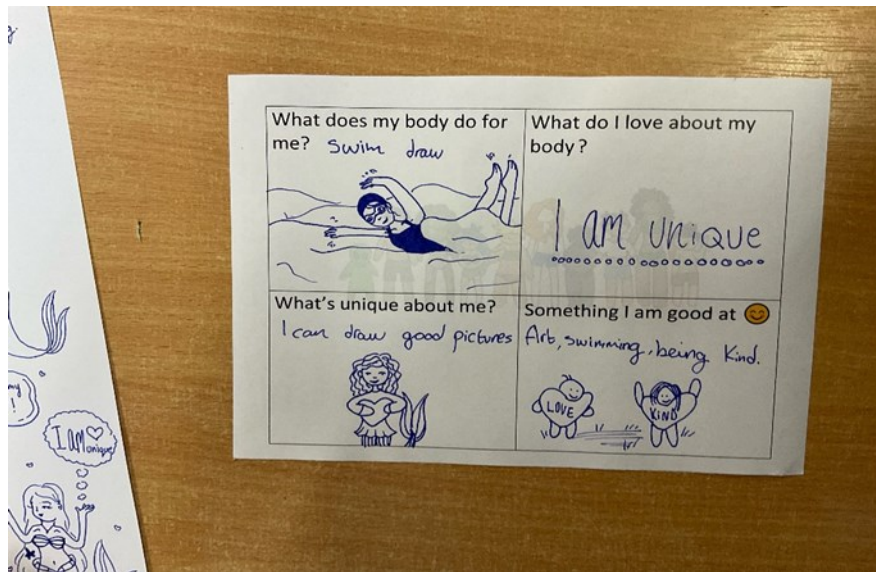
He will be receiving a copy of Alex's new book "We Can" as soon as it comes out.

Here is his winning photo.



Over the past couple of weeks, Year 5 and Year 6 have taken part in a workshop run by the MHST, on perception, body image and self-esteem. They watched videos on how easy it is to manipulate images and how our perceptions of people online can be distorted. We ended the workshop by writing positive affirmations about ourselves. Over the next couple of weeks Year 3 and 4 will have workshops on how they can support their emotional well-being.

The parent workshop last week was a success, and we will continue to run these workshops in school. If you have any ideas for future workshops, or how they should be run, please email letstalk@frimley.surrey.sch.uk



Swimming Gala

On 11th January twelve year 5 and 6's represented our school at the SHSSPA swimming gala. There were many races including relays and individual. We were up against 5 different schools and overall came third. Although many of the children were extremely nervous for this big event they performed extremely well. They showed great enthusiasm and team spirit along with some fantastic stroke technique. Their behaviour was exceptional and the event was enjoyed by many parents. Thank you to all of our supporters.

Dates for your diary

Date 2023	Event
26th January	Year 5 Space Dome
3rd February	Enrichment Day
10th February	School finishes normal time for half term
20th February 8.40am	Start of term
2nd March	World Book Day– details to follow
21st March	Parents Evening 5.30—8.00
23rd March	Parents Evening 3.40—6.00
22nd March	Author Visit—Bonnie Bridgman
31st March 2pm	Finish for Easter Holidays

‘Help your child be their best’

Active Surrey will be running a free and online ‘Help your child be their best’ workshop in conjunction with YMCA East Surrey’s Community Wellbeing Team, giving tips on how parents can help their children reach their potential physically and mentally. Parents will learn about the Tree of Wellbeing and the links to activity, nutrition, hydration and sleep.

The course is for parents/carers of primary aged children.

Dates of the workshops will be:

Thursday 19 January 2023 | 18:30-19:30

Thursday 9 February 2023 | 18:30-19:30

Booking form: [Helping your child be their best Tickets, Multiple Dates | Eventbrite](#)