

TOWER HILL TIMES

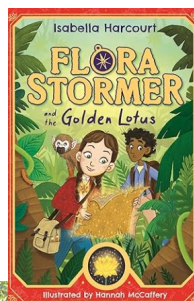


Newsletter
9.5.2025

Dear all,
Today we had a visit from a real life author, Isabella Harcourt, who writes about the exciting adventures of 'Flora Stormer'. The children were fascinated to listen about how she comes up with her ideas for the stories, how she structures them into an engaging narrative and also how her ideas are illustrated. The children were able to ask lots of interesting questions and find out about life as an author and of course to ask about her cat, *Freddie Witchfinder*. Isabella also shared with the children that she has a condition called Tourettes and also Autism. The children were able to ask questions about this and develop some understanding of these aspects of neurodiversity. If you would like to buy a signed copy of one of her books you can still do so on Arbor.

Our outdoor learning club members were able to enjoy the Foxes Hollow area of the school this week where they made some dream catchers!

Miss Ovenden, Headteacher



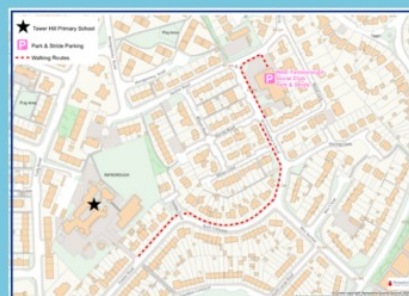
This week has seen the commemoration of the 80th anniversary of VE day and Mr Collins has led assemblies for both Key stage 1 and Key stage 2 that involved learning about VE day and footage of the fly past over Buckingham Palace on Monday. Our Year 6 children have been part of an initiative called VE mail (you may have seen coverage of this on the news) that has led to Tower Hill receiving a letter from a VE day veteran. We shared Bombardier Tom Jones' letter with the Key Stage 2 children at the end of assembly. The children were



incredibly respectful and were amazed that Bombardier Jones was 103 years old! As the years pass and there are fewer and fewer veterans to share their memories, we felt that it was a powerful way to share their legacy with the children and pay respect to those who served and those who continue to do so.

Walk to School Week 2025 will take place from Monday 19th May to Thursday 22nd May.

At Tower Hill Primary School, we're pleased to have partnered with West Farnborough Social Club to offer free parking during drop-off and pick-up times. If driving is your only option for the school run, we strongly encourage you to take advantage of this facility. Below you will find a map showing you the advised route, which is a 5 minute walk to school. On Monday 19th, Miss Prior and Mrs Ward will be walking to school from West Farnborough Social Club at 8:30. We are hoping you will join us for our big walk to school. Then on Tuesday 20th, we've got a special guest—Basil, the Hampshire walking mascot! He'll be joining us for another big walk, and we can't wait to see you there!



**West Farnborough Social Club
Park & Stride**
25 St Christopher's Rd, GU14 6AH

The social club has kindly let our school community use their car park as a Park & Stride, for drop off and pick up during school term time.

Please can we ask all parents and carers who drive to school to either use this car park or a local road away from the school entrances. This will help to create a safer environment outside our school at the beginning and end of the school day.

When using this car park, please do so safely and with respect for local residents and other users.



Our Headteacher's star spotters this week are Aariz & Isla
Well done to Dhannjot & Atheethan who won the smart award.
Congratulations to Petronas and Statosphere Class who won class of the week for good attendance.



Values Award Winners!

Achievement: Aria & Vanessa

High Expectations: Ellis & Eloise

Friendliness: Mia & Ted

Confidence: Henry & Esmae

Respect: Harry & Toby

Fairness: Isabelle & Casey



Upcoming dates.....

- Monday 12th May—SATs week for Year 6
- Thursday 15th May—Year 5 trip to Charmouth
- Thursday 15th May—Induction evening for new Year R parents
- Friday 16th May—Macau Class Assembly at 9.15am
- Thursday 22nd May Year 4 trip to Ufton Court
- Thursday 22nd May—Spinnaker Class Assembly at 9.15am
- Friday 23rd May—INSET Day—no school for children
- Week beg 26th May—HALF TERM
- Monday 2nd June—Back to School
- Tuesday 3rd June—Year 3 visiting Farnborough Hill
- Thursday 5th June—Year 6 start swimming
- Friday 6th June—Non-Uniform for Summer Fayre
- Friday 13th June—SPORTS DAY
- Friday 20th June at 9.15am—Petrin Class Assembly