

ARNETT HILLS JMI SCHOOL



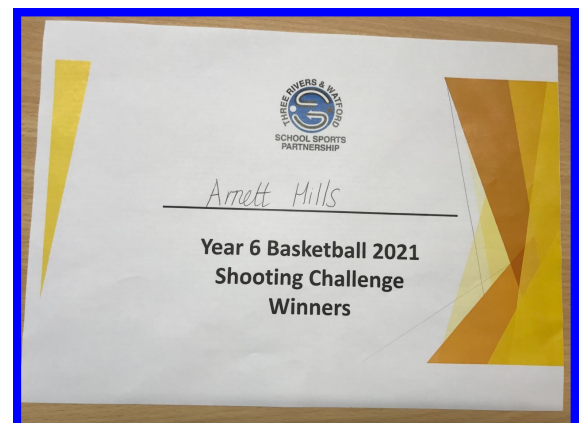
Friday 12th November 2021

Dear Parents,

This week we completed one of my favourite activities—showing prospective parents around school. This is always a joy for me as it is a true pleasure to 'show off' our school. As usual there was a real bubble of learning atmosphere as we moved around school, children were happily engaged in a wide range of learning activities. It was particularly rewarding to see children taking their learning outside more, in this instance, for phonics and spellings learning. As one parent left she commented: "You must be so proud of this school and to work here." I have had this feeling every day since September but it was nice to have it echoed by an external visitor.

Year 6 Basketball tournament.

We were thrilled that this managed to go ahead as there was a last minute venue change. The children worked extremely hard in 4 extremely fast paced, intense basketball matches against other schools. They lost to St John's 0-3, beat Ricky Park 2-1, lost to Tanners Wood (the tournament winners) 0-3 and beat Little Green 1-0. This was a particularly interesting game as my daughter was on the Little Green squad! We finished a creditable 5th out of 8 schools. There was also a competition running for how many baskets your team could score in the allocated 5 minutes—of which we were the winners, scoring 24 baskets. Myself and Ms Seymour were impressed by the resilience, teamwork, communication and effort put in by our players.



Year 2 visited the park this week to get some first hand experience for their writing and learning how to use time connectives. They had a fun morning and we were impressed with their writing upon their return. I was particularly impressed with the neat cursive writing in this example.

First we excitedly walked to the park.
then we climbed and we ^{were} was happy.
next we went on the zipline and it was so fun.
later we went on the slide

Year 4 trip to Verulamium
Another great trip out for year 4 bringing history to life. They learned more about what it would be like to live in Roman times.



COVID UPDATE

Please remember
ANY SYMPTOM = PCR test

LFT tests are not for children and never replace a PCR test.

For advice on close contacts please see the government guidance

Dates for next week:

Wednesday 17th Whole school stay active day—please ensure all children have PE kit in school.
Thursday 18th Nasal Flu Vaccinations
Thursday 18th Year 5 Fun Run at The Reach

Upcoming Dates:

Thursday 25th Year 6 Football Match Friendly against St Peter's (home fixture)
Monday 29th Occasional Day—School Closed
Wednesday 1st December—Yr 6 visit to Music Performance
Thursday 2nd December—KS2 French Day
Monday 6th - December Year 3 Egyptian Day
Thursday 9th/ Friday 10th December KS1 Christmas Production

Communication sent out this week:

We have a digger—all
Covid Update - all
Cookery Club collection
Up levelling Year 3 (Covid)

