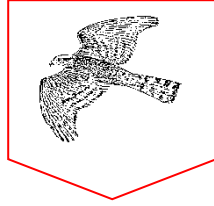


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Dear Parents,

We had an absolutely wonderful day on Monday when children from Reception to Year 4 went to visit the Folkestone Triennial. Each year group visited different parts of the Triennial learning about a wide range of art. This week in school all year groups have followed up their visits to the Triennial by replicating some of the art or creating new art in the style of the artist. It has been super to hear children talking about the art they have seen and which they preferred (and the pieces they did not like too!)

I was lucky enough to have been able to accompany the Reception classes on their visit. The children were SO excited to get onto a double decker coach, their excitement and 'wonder' they showed on the journey to St Peter's Church was so touching – it made me feel quite emotional! There was MUCH excitement when a couple of children spotted a dolphin swimming in the Harbour (!) followed by other sightings of whales!! Once the children reached St Peter's Church they were in awe of being in the building itself and then seeing the mythical creature hanging from the roof. There were a couple of members of the public in the church at the time who complimented the children on their behaviour and thought it was wonderful that we had brought them to see the art work! I felt very proud!

Crosskeys were the coach company who ran us backwards and forwards to Folkestone on Monday and were absolutely amazing! Nothing was too much trouble for them and they were so friendly to the children!

The reception children have now completed their first full week at school and have really settled in well. It is lovely seeing them in their classrooms/the outdoor classroom really busy learning and getting to know each other!

Yesterday lots of our Year 6 pupils took their Kent Test! It was a long day of tests – they managed them so well! We were very impressed!

If you have not got any plans this weekend it is Hawkinge Summer Fest (see over leaf for more info) on Saturday 11:00am – 4:00pm. I am reliably informed that it will be going ahead whatever the weather. Lots of time and energy has gone into planning the event, so please support it if you are about.

Have a nice weekend