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This week, we've taken last week's theme of competitiveness a little further, using Mimi's remarkable London to Paris achievement as a basis for our discussion. Being competitive, setting oneself personal targets, aiming to beat a personal best or wanting to be recognised for something can really focus us, encourage us to try our hardest and to push ourselves. It makes no difference whether it is wanting to be the youngest girl to cycle London to Paris, or whether you want to move to the next marathon mile, read a book that your friend is able to read, pass your cycling proficiency, be elected to the School Council or achieve a higher mark in your next maths test.

Stars of the Week

Reception: **Margot**—for listening carefully and joining in with lots of interesting things to say.

Years 1&2: **Max** - for very careful observation when sketching his leaf in art lessons.

Years 3&4: **Cici** - for settling in so well to Year 3 and for being such a positive role model.

Years 5&6: **Cecily** - for working hard and showing good focus in lessons.

Mimi's 470km London to Paris

We were delighted but also very surprised to see Mimi quite literally bounce through the school gate on Monday morning. If you hadn't been told you would never have known that Mimi had just days before cycled from Greenwich Park in London to the Eiffel Tower in Paris, covering 460km! Mimi was driven by her determination to raise vital funds for Dravet UK, a charity that helps children with Dravet Syndrome like her younger cousin Dominic, and also by her passion to set herself big challenges! We knew it would be quite a challenge as no other 10 year old girl had ever completed the long route, so she was also set to make history too. Mimi reports that Wednesday was the toughest day, with terrible weather and fifteen long and steep hills. Friday's hills were even longer, but the rewards in France, stopping for delectable meals and treats made the hills worth it! We all enjoyed tracking Mimi and her team and could not be more proud of her achievement, commitment, compassion and dedication. Well done Mimi!

Club Pick-Ups—Reminders

Please could we remind everyone that club finish times are 4:15pm and not 4:30pm. Many club staff are regularly being delayed waiting for some children to be collected. Please wait on the green for club pick-ups and children will be brought out to you. The exception is for High Flyers pick up which is 4:30pm from year 1 and 2 door. Thank you all for helping to keep our children safe and clubs enjoyable for all.

Please Bolt The Gate

A reminder that the gate must be closed and bolted at all times between 8:45am and 3:10pm. A number of parents this week have left the playground and shut the gate but haven't bolted it. This is a significant part of our safeguarding procedure so it must be adhered to please. Thank you!



Good Manners' Champion

This week's Good Manners' Champion is **Lily** in **Year 5**. Lily is kind, inclusive and considerate to children throughout the school. She is clearly fun to play with in the playground and is always seen playing with different children and playing different games. Miss Northcote told Lily, "Lily is a really kind person who is always polite to her friends and teachers. Lily has a beautifully calm presence that puts everyone at ease around her. She treats everyone she meets with warmth and understanding. Lily, your kindness and lovely manners really brighten everyone's day and we're so lucky to have you in the class!" Lily's friends went on to add; "You are very nice to your sisters and play with them lots..." "You were nervous when you started but soon made friends..." "When we are playing 'it' you always have fun and do not mind what part you are in the game. You never sulk..." "You always say yes if we ask to join your games..." "You are so kind" "...In the playground you introduce your sisters to others that they might like to play with..." "You are super kind and nice to your friends!" Lily, it is very clear that your kind, gentle and caring manners are impressing everyone around you! Well done—you should feel very proud!



Dates Coming Up

Tues 15th Oct	Parents' Evening Yr 1—6 4-7pm Preloved uniform sale age 4-7 3:15-4:30pm
Wed 16th Oct	Parents' Evening Yr 1—6 3:30-6:30pm
Thurs 17th Oct	Flu Vaccine Clinic in School
Fri 18th Oct	Food Bank Friday!
Tues 22nd Oct	Preloved uniform sale age 8-12 3:15-4:30pm
Wed 23rd Oct	U9 + U11 Cross Country Competition CNPS
Fri 25th Oct	INSET Day
28th Oct—1st Nov	HALF TERM
Mon 4th Nov	Back to school
Wed 20th Nov	U11 Netball Tournament CNPS
Fri 22nd Nov	Year 5/6 Street Dance Workshop
Wed 27th Nov	Charcoal Workshop All Years
Tues 3rd Dec	AIM Art
Sat 7th Dec	Great Tew Church Carol Service 5-6pm
Thurs 12th Dec	Christmas Nativity Play—Reception, Year 1&2 Performances at 2pm and 6pm.
Tues 17th Dec	The Christmas Feast
Fri 20th Dec	End of term Christmas Service, Great Tew Church 9am End of term at 12 noon
Mon 6th Jan	Inset Day
Tues 7th Jan	Back to school—Spring Term begins
Fri 10th Jan	Year 5 and 6 Swimming Lessons Commence
Wed 15th Jan	Swimming Gala CNPS
Wed 29th Jan	U11 Hockey Tournament CNPS

