



Newsletter 22

Friday, 23rd February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that this newsletter finds you and your families well. Page 4 includes a flyer for the PTA Easter Bingo Evening on Wednesday 27th March. Please try to support this fun event as it will allow us to raise additional funds for the children. We would be very grateful if every child could bring in at least one item for the Bingo hampers.

Spotlight on the Curriculum: PE – Year 5 – Greek Dance

The children in Year 5 listened to five pieces of music. They thought about how they felt and which Greek God could be matched to the composition. The children then designed their Greek dances around their chosen piece of Music. Many thanks to the children and Mrs Petty for organising this outstanding Dance work.



The 5 pieces of music were:

- Vida la Vida by Cold Play
- Die Walkure by Richard Wagner
- Proud by Heather Small
- Gladiator by Hans Zimmer
- Now were are free by Hans Zimmer and Lisa Gerrard

Year 5 choose this piece to create their dance to: Gladiator - Now We Are Free Radio
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zaBChd3cyZ8>

This piece of music is how Year 5 made all the adults feel: Heather Small Proud
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pQsr3-fY1Rg>

Headteachers' Awards

Today, we celebrated: **Poppy S** and **Berry** (Acorn Class); **Rosa** and **Poppy N** (Y1); **Freya** and **Edward** (Y2); **Evie B, Alex** and **Lillie-Mae** (Y3); **Bobby** and **Alexander** (Y4); **Hollie, Ryan** and **Kason** (Y5); **Tommy Br, Josie** and **Akshaj** (Y6). Huge congratulations to these children who have displayed **Community (team work)** during this week and are role-models for us all.

Resilience, Aspiration, Kindness and **Respect** form our other core Values.



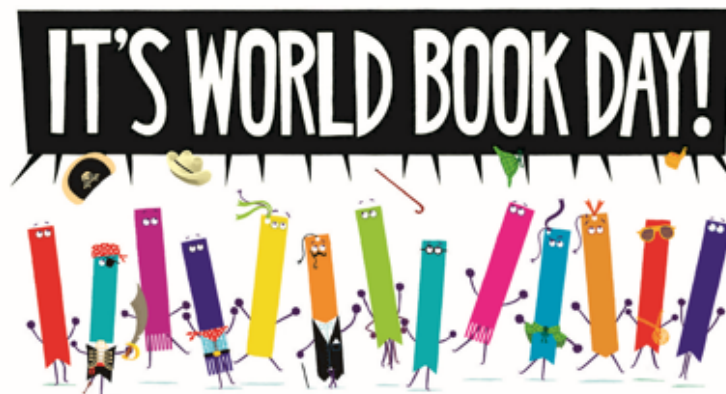
Book at Bedtime

Wednesday 6th March 2023

To launch our World Book Day celebrations, Children are invited to join their teachers for a special Book at Bedtime evening on **Wednesday 6th March**. Children can come back to school in their **pyjamas** to enjoy a selection of favourite stories.

Children should **arrive at School at 4.25pm**, ready for a 4.30pm start. Children to be **collected at 5pm**.

The School Hall will be open for parents/carers who would like to wait on site.



Don't forget – children are invited to come into school dressed up as a book character on **Friday 8th March**.

There will be prizes for the best costumes!

Today, **Red Team** won the trophy for achieving the most Team Points and they had an extra playtime this afternoon. Very well done.

Team Points Cup				
Date: 23.02.24				
	Green	Yellow	Red	Blue
Y1	2	4	3	1
Y2	4	1	3	2
Y3	1.5	3	4	1.5
Y4	2	1	3	4
Y5	2	1	3	4
Y6	1	3	4	2
	12.5	13	20	14.5



Class Attendance Cup – every week we have a competition that celebrates the class with the highest attendance. Congratulations to **Beech Class** who are the winners for the fourth week running (a school record) with an impressive attendance of 98.1%.

Attendance Cup		
Date: 19/02/24 - 22/02/24		
	Class	pts
1	Beech	7
2	Acorn	6
3	Cedar	5
4	Willow	4
5	Maple	3
6	Hazel	2
7	Ash	1

Attendance Matters



Every Day Counts....

Attendance Cup Spring Term League Table

	Class	pts
1	Beech	28
2	Hazel	16
	Cedar	16
4	Willow	15
	Ash	15
6	Acorn	13
7	Maple	9

Safeguarding – Online Safety

As part of our commitment to help you keep your child(ren) safe online please look under the Safeguarding tab in our Online Safety section - <https://woodlands.wilts.sch.uk/safeguarding/online-safety/>

Please click here for the latest **Online Safety Newsletter – February 2024** -> [Woodlands Primary School and Oak Tree Nursery.](#)

Spotlight on the Curriculum – Reading Y2 Book Review

This week's book review comes from Year 2. Nawa has chosen to review George's Marvellous Medicine by Roald Dahl. Many thanks to Nawa for giving up her time to write this excellent book report.

A book review by: Nawa

Book title: George's marvellous medicine

What is the book about?
A boy called George is frustrated by his Granma and decides to make her a special medicine. It does amazing things.



Who are the main characters?
George, his mum, dad, Granma and some animals.

Where is the story set?
The story is set on the family's farm.

What did you like about this book?
I liked when George put the ingredients into the pot.

Rating: ★★★★★

Draw your favourite part of the story.



Woodlands Easter Bingo

Wednesday 27th March 2024

Doors open 6.00pm – eyes down 6.30pm

For prizes for the winning lines we need donations for the following hampers – please bring what you can of **any category** to your child’s class. There will be a prize for the class who bring the most items (numbers of pupils in class will be taken into account!).

New toys

New children’s books

Adult and Children’s Stationery

Gardening items

Men’s and Ladies’ Toiletries

Unused Christmas Gifts

Chocolates

Car Cleaning Items

New, Factory Sealed DVDs

Food items – in date until at least end of April 2024

Dates for the Diary

Non-School Uniform Day - £1 donation	Friday 23 rd February	all day
Book Week	Monday 4 th – Friday 8 th March	all week
PTA Meeting	Monday 4 th March	2.15pm
Book at Bedtime	Wednesday 6 th March	4.30pm-5.00pm
Book Week Dressing Up Day***	Friday 8 th March	all day
Y5 Mini Police Session	Wednesday 6 th March	1.20pm-3.00pm
Red Nose Day – wear something red to school	Friday 15 th March	all day
Year 6 Residential – Osmington Bay	Wednesday 20 th – Friday 22 nd March 2024	all day
Easter Bingo Evening	Wednesday 27 th March	6.00pm doors open 6.30pm Start
Last day of Term 4	Thursday 28 th March	3.00pm finish
Easter Holiday	Friday 29 th March – Sunday 14 th April	
First day of Term 5	Monday 15 th April	
Y5 Mini Police Session	Wednesday 17 th April	1.20pm-3.00pm
Y5 Mini Police Session	Wednesday 5 th June	1.20pm-3.00pm

***** Please note that at Woodlands we are having our Book Week dressing up day (and assembly) on Friday 8th March and not on the Thursday because several members of the teaching staff are not in class on the Thursday morning.**

Kind regards,
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