



Lowerplace Newsletter

Monday 2nd March 2026

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A message from the Ms Martin, Headteacher

As we step into March and the days become longer, I wanted to take a moment to thank our families for their continued support.

As we entered Spring 2 last week, it was lovely to see how well our children returned to school and engaged in their learning. Thank you for encouraging them, supporting their routines and working in partnership with us.

For many of our families, this is a special time of year as they observe Ramadan. Over the past week it has been wonderful to see many of our older children talking thoughtfully about their intentions for fasting and how they plan to participate safely and responsibly. We are incredibly proud of the mature and respectful way they are approaching this special time. Our staff are on hand to support any children who are fasting, ensuring that their wellbeing remains our top priority throughout the school day.

To help pupils who wish to pray or take a quiet moment for reflection at lunchtime, we have introduced a Ramadan Prayer Space. This space is available each day during the lunch break, supervised by staff and provided a calm, respectful space for those who wish to use it. It is lovely to see some of our pupils leading the prayers. We hope it offers our pupils a meaningful way to practise their faith during the school day.

As always, we remain committed to celebrating the diversity of our school community and helping all children feel seen, understood and supported.

To everyone observing, we wish you a peaceful and blessed Ramadan.

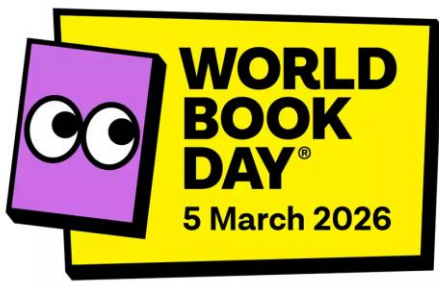


With best wishes,
Ms K Martin
Headteacher



Lowerplace Average YTD	94.4%
National Average YTD	94.6%

**We are keeping in line with national
for our attendance - well done
everyone.**



You will have received our Literacy Newsletter which sets out our plans for our World Book Day celebrations.

As a reminder I have included some of the details here.

This year we are challenging our pupils to come to school dressed as an interesting word or a favourite book character that starts with a specific letter assigned to their year group. When put together, our school will spell out fabulous word!

You can always think of an adjective to describe the character your child is dressing up as.

Take the time to talk to your child about the book/books their character is from. Can they talk about the book?

Year Group	Letter	The Character Examples	The Vocabulary Example
EYFS	R	Red Riding Hood, Rusty (from Starlight Express), Rainbow Fish, Rabbit (Winnie the Pooh)	Radiant (bright and happy!)
Year 1	E	Elmer the Elephant, Enormous Crocodile, Emily Brown	Enormous (very, very big)
Year 2	A	Alice (Wonderland), Ariel (Little Mermaid), Anansi the Spider, Alex Rider	Adventurous (brave and bold)
Year 3	D	Dorothy (Wizard of Oz), Dennis the Menace, Danny (Champion of the World)	Determined (not giving up!)
Year 4	I	Iron Man (Ted Hughes), Icarus (Greek Myths), Ivy (Ivy + Bean), Indiana Jones	Inquisitive (asking lots of questions)
Year 5	N	Nana (Peter Pan), Neville Longbottom, Nancy Drew, Narnia (The White Witch)	Nefarious (wicked or villainous)
Year 6	G	Gandalf (The Hobbit), George (Famous Five), Gulliver, Grandpa (Grandpa's Great Escape)	Grandiose (means impressive or over the top)

Dates for your diary

We hope you find the calendar of upcoming events helpful.
Please pin this to your fridge/add the events to your own calendar.

Spring Term	
Dates	Event/Activity
Mon 5 th January	INSET Day
Tues 6 th January	Children return to school
Thurs 8 th January	Y1 Parents Meeting re Phonics Screening at 3.30pm
Fri 23 rd January	Y1 Parents Meeting re Phonics Screening at 9am
Wed 28 th January	Class 4A Assembly 9am
Wed 4 th February	Class 4B Assembly 9am
Tues 10 th February	Internet Safety Day
Wed 11 th February	Class 4C Assembly 9am
Fri 13 th February	Young Voices Trip
Mon 16th February – Fri 20th February Half Term	
Tues 24 th February	Y2 SATs Parent Meeting at 3.15pm
Thurs 5 th March	World Book Day
Mon 9 th March to Fri 13 th March	Science Week
Tues 17 th & Wed 18 th March	Parents Evening
Fri 20 th March	INSET Day
Mon 23 rd March – Fri 27 th Mar	Y6 Mock SATS Week
Mon 23 rd March – Fri 27 th March	Careers Week
Tues 31 st March	Class 2B Recorder Performance at 9.15am
Thurs 2 nd April	End of Spring Term
Fri 3rd April – Fri 17th April Easter Holidays	

Date is being rearranged as many of our families will be opening their fast.