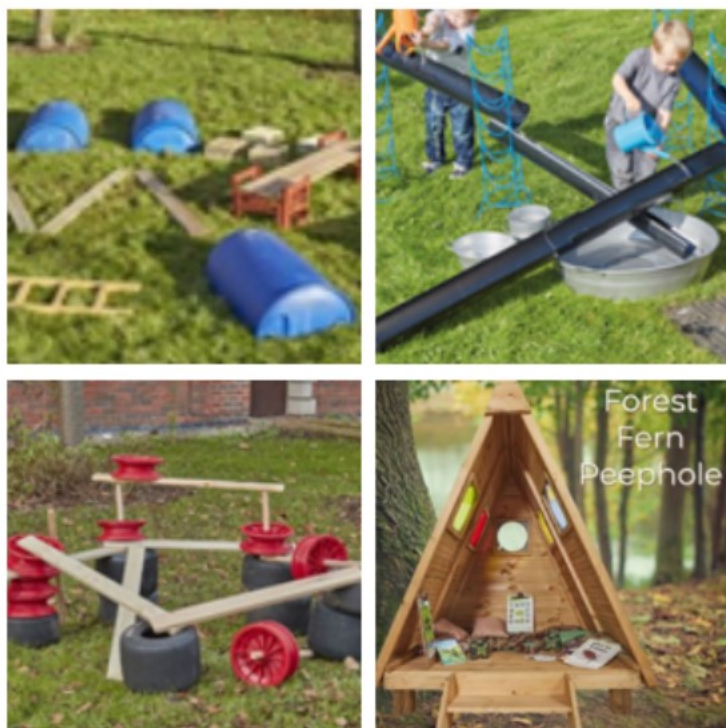


News from School!

It is wonderful to see the new shoots starting to poke through the earth and the days are getting longer. It is definitely time for a Spring Clean! We were delighted to hear that Mrs Grainger had a baby girl straight after half term. Mother and baby are both doing very well. We have had a really productive term with lots of learning, questioning and exploring taking place. I have really enjoyed reading the stories that Owls class have written, the whole class reading sessions in Kingfishers—you can hear a pin drop! As well as the setting descriptions in Doves which use such rich vocabulary and the retelling of stories and role play in Robins and Wrens. You can read more about the learning on the next page. There is an Open Classroom next Thursday so come in and have a look at your child's learning if you can.



PSA

Thank you!

As a result of the PTA fundraising, we have been able to buy some resources to be used outdoors which we know will support our children's physical development and be enjoyed by all ages.

If you would like to get more involved in this really valuable organisation, please talk to Mrs Fenton in the office. We are keen to do more fundraising to continue to develop our resources.

Coming Up

Thursday, 23rd March: Year 3/4 Trip to Cambridge AND Open Classroom at 2.40pm

Monday, 27th March: Early Years trip to Anglesey Abbey

Thursday 30th March: Outdoors Spring Clean Up
Help needed—see the poster for more details

Friday 31st March: Last day of term and Easter Service in church at 9.15am

Monday 17th April: BACK TO SCHOOL

The Events Calendar will follow shortly with next term's dates but if you have any ideas to share about how we can celebrate the King's Coronation, please let us know.

Attendance

The overall school attendance this term is 92.64%

Wrens	88.01	Robins	92.23
Doves	92.5	Kingfishers	91.9
Owls	94.15		

We are aware there have been a lot of winter illnesses but having a good education is important to ensure that they have the best opportunities in their adult life. They only get one chance at school, and your child's future may be affected by not attending school or alternative provision regularly.

Robins Class have immersed themselves in 'stories from the past'. We have looked closely at fairytales, concentrating on 'Little Red Riding Hood', the well-known legend 'St. George and the dragon' and the fable 'The hare and the tortoise'. The children now know that stories can change over time, and often do. We have looked at alternative versions of each story and looked at the messages and teachings that can be taken from them. We have used props, different dressing up clothes and our imagination to re-tell each story.

Doves Class have enjoyed learning all about Tanzania and Tanzanian animals. Gandalf, the giant African land snail, came to visit and we learnt about how giant African land snails and other Tanzanian animals are adapted to their environments. In maths this term we have been learning about money and multiplication which links well with our computing unit on sorting data. In DT we enjoyed sampling a variety of tropical fruits and creating our own Tanzanian fruit salad. In English we planned and wrote non-chronological reports about a Tanzanian animal of our choice.

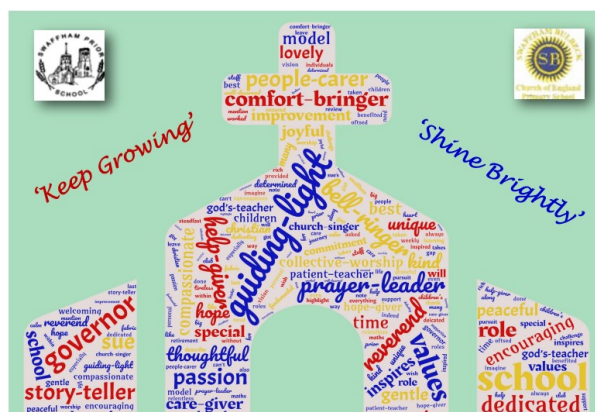
Kingfishers have had a busy term! In DT, we are looking at seasonal foods and this has involved learning how to chop and peel fruit and vegetables. As well as making fruit kebabs and fruit crumble. We also had a fantastic visit from Leo (Miller's dad) who is a chef and runs his own catering business; he taught us techniques for chopping and peeling as well as answering our questions. In English, we have written our own alternative endings to the story 'The Miraculous of Edward Tulane', with a focus on using correctly punctuated speech. They then moved on to writing a persuasive leaflet encouraging people to visit Cambridge. This term in Science we have finished our unit on electricity with the children creating a circuit to make a lighthouse light focusing on forces such as friction, push and pull and gravity. In a searching portrait artists and then have learnt how to draw the d Sugg (local artist) then came to demonstrate these techniques and our own portraits.



Owls have been very busy this term. We have finished our study of World War II, undertaking a variety of linked challenges, such as writing a historical narrative, interviewing local historians and watching an engaging gunfire display. In Science, we have worked scientifically to investigate air and water resistance, making links between our knowledge of friction and gravity to help us understand these new concepts. In maths, we have been tackling new areas of learning such as area, algebra and ratio, using real-life resources to support us. In addition to this, we have been revisiting prior learning to keep our knowledge 'On the Boil'.

Farewell Reverend Sue

It was with great sadness that we said goodbye to Reverend Sue. She made a massive contribution to the schools as a governor in addition to her day job. She will be sorely missed.



World Book Day

We had a fantastic World Book Day based on the stories of Judith Kerr. It inspired lots of lovely writing and artwork and everyone participated in a very exciting quiz! A great day was rounded off with everyone receiving a book. We hope they enjoy their books as much as they enjoyed giving them. Thank you all for your generosity.



Premier

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Here's what's on near you:
SWAFFHAM BULBECK PRIMARY SCHOOL

TUESDAY - YEARS R-6 GYMNASTICS - 3.15pm-4.30pm
Tuesday 18th April - Tuesday 11th July 2023
(Club limited to 16 children)

WEDNESDAY - YEARS R-6 SUMMER SPORTS - 3.15pm-4.30pm
Wednesday 19th April - Wednesday 12th July

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ARTS & CRAFTS
WITH
MRS KENT
AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Every Thursday
20th April - 25th May
3:15 - 4:30pm

£5.50 per child

EARLY BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL AS SPACES ARE LIMITED.
PLEASE BOOK VIA PARENTPAY

RECEPTION - YEARS 6

GAMES CLUB
WITH
MRS JARVIS
AFTER SCHOOL
EVERY MONDAY
17TH APRIL - 22ND MAY
£5.50 PER CHILD PER WEEK
3:15-4:30PM

BOARD GAMES, LEGO AND CARDS

EARLY BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL AS SPACES ARE LIMITED.
PLEASE PAY VIA PARENTPAY

Good News!

We are very pleased to announce an improved range of after school clubs starting after Easter. We hope there is something for everyone. Book early to secure your place.

PLACES ARE LIMITED!

KINGFISHERS & OWLS
ORCHESTRA CLUB
WITH
MRS ANDREWS

Every Monday
20th April - 25th May
3:15-4:30pm

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY
BRING AN INSTRUMENT OR USE ONE IN SCHOOL
ALL WELCOME!

£5.50 PER CHILD
PAYABLE VIA PARENTPAY

GET CREATIVE

KINGFISHERS & OWLS
ART CLUB
WITH
JAMIE SUGG
AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

THURSDAY 20TH APRIL - 25TH MAY
3:15 - 4:30PM

£5.50 PER CHILD

LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE, BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT.
PLEASE BOOK VIA PARENTPAY

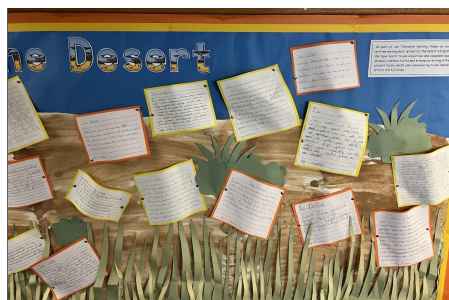
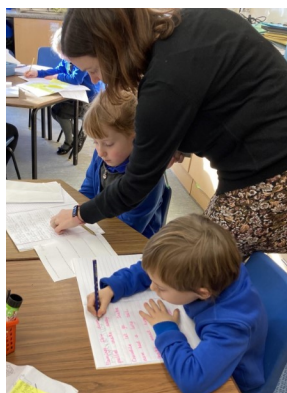


Parking at school is always a nightmare. Now that the days are brighter, please encourage your children to walk, scoot or cycle. It's a great way to wake them up in the morning ready for learning!

Punctuality a reminder that the gate opens at 8.35am ready for a prompt start at 8.45am. Now is the time to break old habits and start anew!

Pipes and paraphernalia! Offcuts of trees / branches / tree stumps / netting / half and full drainpipes / shells / plants / pallets / rope / tyres / wooden cable reels etc. If you are having a spring clean at home or work and have things you're getting rid of, please let us know as we are always on the lookout for additional resources for both our indoor and outdoor areas.

From hard at work in the classroom, to out and about in our community and even venturing to London to visit the Houses of Parliament and the National Gallery.



Top Tips for Regular Attendance

- Positive framing—positivity breeds more positivity
- Celebrate the small things with your child
- Look on the bright side—reassure them
- Breakdown the times into manageable chunks
- Establish consistent routines
- Talk to us—if there's an issue we can help
- Trust us—most children will have a very positive experience when they are in school. If we have concerns, we will contact you.

ATTEND TODAY
ACHIEVE TOMORROW



The cake sale in aid of DEC Earthquake Appeal raised £76.

Your donations towards the Red Nose Day appeal raised £71.