



How quickly time goes! I can hardly believe that we are half way through the academic year.

A reminder that teachers do not set any homework over the half-term. We want the children to have a well deserved rest. However, we would like everyone to read regularly, practice number facts and get involved in our World book Day competition.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

After a strong start to the term, our attendance in the last few weeks has been below our school target of 96% and this week fell to 93.5% which was below national data for last week (94.2%).

Most absence this term have been because of illness. However, children who have a cold can still attend school as can those who are taking antibiotics.

I would also like to remind parents that any holidays taken in term time will be unauthorised.

WORLD BOOK DAY

We are looking forward to celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March.



On that day children will be able to come to school dressed as their favourite book character and complete lots of book related activities. Children who do not want to get involved should wear their school uniform as usual. Willow PE will be on Friday that week.

Dressing up ideas can be found at https://www.worldbookday.com/dressing-up-ideas/

Children will be bringing home a £1 token on the day. This can be used to get a completely FREE World Book Day book or £1 off any full price book or audiobook. The token can be redeemed at many booksellers. Please note that it cannot be used online.

The children have bought home details about our World Book Day competition today. We would like as many children as possible to get involved.

16th February 2023

STARS OF THE WEEK

Friday 27th January





Well done to: Ann-Marie, Darcey, Anna, Zach, Henry, Charlie, Myla, Even, Jake, Jacob and Willow.

Thursday 16th February

Theme— Teachers Choice

Well done to: Lenny, Chloe, Rosa, Harley, Grace, Dexter, Olivia, Max, Bethany, Megan and Elliot.

ACCELERATED READER UPDATE

We celebrated the success of Ayra, Myla, Dexter, Ruby and Elliot today in our Celebration Assembly. These are our current Year Group Word Champions. We also congratulated Gabriel who has now read over two-million words this academic year.





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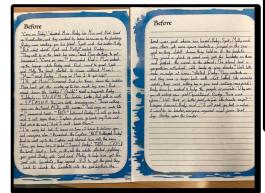




Sycamore class have been busy this half-term learning about rivers. They recreated the famous Claude Monet painting Waterlilies. Their class text, Floodland by Marcus Sedgwick, has been inspiring their writing.









Chestnut have enjoyed learning about sound in science lessons and creating their own George Seurat paintings. They have also written playscripts based on their class text, Fantastic Mr Fox.















SPORTS HALL ATHLETICS

Last Friday the children in Sycamore class participated in the Sports Hall Athletics competition at AGS. Events included: standing long jump, javelin, chest push, vertical jump, relays and obstacle races.

Points were awarded for each event and when they were all collated, Wootton came fifth and were only three points from 3rd place.

Mrs Wood was very proud of the attitude and behaviour of the children. Many thanks to Mrs Hartwright and Ms Jennings for accompanying the children with Mrs Wood.

A special mention to Harry who recently took part in the cross country county trials and finished a very pleasing 21st in a very large field of over 60 competitors.

Mrs Woods, our PE subject leader, has lots of other sporting events planned for after half-term, including girls and boys football matches and a tag-rugby competition.

FOREST SCHOOL UPDATE

Work continues on our Forest School area and Mrs Cooke will be starting lessons with Oak class in the week beginning 6th March. These will take place on Tuesday afternoon and parents will receive a letter from Miss Bradshaw with details about what the children should wear.

We are very grateful to Mrs Cooke for all her hard work in developing the area and the parents who have donated equipment. I would also like to thank Gary Upton, grandparent of Raffy, who has offered to help with planting a willow tunnel, arch and dome on the school grounds.

PE TIMETABLE

The introduction of Forest school means we need to change our PE timetable. After half-term PE days will be:

Oak—Wednesday and Thursday Willow-Tuesday and Thursday

Chestnut—Monday and Wednesday

Sycamore – Tuesday and Friday.

(note PE scheduled for 2nd March will be moved to 3rd March because of World Book Day)

FOWS UPDATE

Last term the FOWS team raised an impressive £758.71 for the school.

I recently met with the FOWS team to set dates for the coming

term. They have lots planned:

17.03.2023—Mothers Day Event

29.03.23—Easter Bake Off Competition

30.03.23—Cake sale and Smarties Challenge Launch.

We have used some of the money raised this term to purchase new reading scheme books.

ONLINE SAFETY

Last week the children marked Safety Internet Day by discussing how to keep safe online.

Internet, social media and gaming is a part of all our lives and has much to offer our children; however, it is important that we manage screen time so that we can be sure our children can exploit its benefits, whilst also having time to appreciate the rest of the world around them.

Internet Matters. Org have produced some useful guides to support parents with balancing screen time, which can be accessed.

These can be found at

https://www.internetmatters.org/ issues/screen-time/







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EMPATHY WEEK - 27th February

Empathy Week is an initiative we have previously taken part in, with positive responses from both pupils and parents.

This year's theme is 'Opportunity and Education' - the children will have access to age-appropriate videos which tell the stories of five people from various walks of life and how education has provided them with a varied range of opportunities. The project encourages pupils to really put empathy into action and helps to promote an increased understanding of the diverse backgrounds people they meet in life may come from.

Each class will be producing some work based on our learning throughout the week, which will be displayed in school.

CAR SEAT CHECKS

Warwickshire Road Safety Partnership invites parents to attend free child car seat and vehicle safety check events being held throughout Warwickshire, 20th – 24th February 2023.

Child Seat Safety, experts in the field of car seat safety and IOSH accredited in car seat training will lead and deliver the events. With over 40 years of child seat knowledge Child Seat Safety will be available to check and adjust seats and answer questions relating to car seat safety that you may have. Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Service will also be in attendance supporting drivers to undertake essential vehicle checks.

Date and Location of Events:

- Monday 20th February: Newbold Comyn Leisure Centre
- Tuesday 21st February: Stratford upon Avon Leisure
- Wednesday 22nd February: The Queen's Diamond Jubilee Centre, Rugby
- Thursday 23rd February: Bedworth Leisure Centre
- Friday 24th February: Coleshill Leisure Centre

All events will run between 10am-3pm and will be in the car parks of the above venues. These events are open to all Warwickshire residents, and beyond, and are completely free to attend with no need to book.

The next newsletter will be on Friday 10th March.

Have a wonderful half-term break.

DATES

17/02/23—Teacher Training Day

27/02/23—Children return to school

27/03/23—Empathy Week

2/03/23—World Book Day/ Year 6 Booster Sessions begin

6/03/23—Year 5/6 football match

8/03/23—Girl's Football Tournament

8/03/23—PARENTS EVENING

17/03/23 - Comic Relief Day

24/03/23—Willow Class Assembly at 2.40pm

28/03/23—Easter Service at St Peter's Church at 9.30am (led by Chestnut Class)

30/03/23—Sycamore class visit to Worcester

31/03/23— Celebration assembly at 2.40pm

END OF TERM

17/04/23—Children return to school

01/05/23-May Bank holiday

08/05/23—Bank holiday for Coronation

09/05/23-KS 2 SATS

May 2023-KS 1 SATS



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WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2023

FRIDAY 3 MARCH



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Submit a piece of media by email to childfriendly@warwickshire.gov.uk with your name, age, your school's name and address.

Closing date: 27 February 2023





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How to respond:

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- Respond online at ask.warwickshire.gov.uk
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