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Welcome back after the half-term. Time continues to fly and the staff and pupils are working extremely hard. It's nice to see signs of Spring with things starting to grow but we definitely need more sunshine and less rain!

Anyway on with the news.....

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am Year 3 class assembly- parents welcome
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00am Reception maths workshop for parents PARENT'S EVENING- EARLY
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	PARENT'S EVENING -LATE
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Pupil Parliament tidy up
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Reception Spring Walk 3.30pm Year 2 SAT's meeting
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day- TBA
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Reception Mini- beast dress up day 2.45pm parents in reception for rhyme session
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2 class assembly- parents welcome
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Easter Celebration at St Pauls Church BREAK UP FOR EASTER HOLIDAYS
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> April	SCHOOL OPENS FOR SUMMER TERM 1

### PARENT'S EVENING DATES



Please note the dates for parents' evenings this term are Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March. The first date on the Tuesday, will offer early appointments. On Wednesday appointments will be until later to accommodate working parents. Please do come to your child/ren's parent's evening. It is very important to have an update on how they are performing in school, to celebrate their achievements and to discuss any problems.

Reception parents' evenings take place in the Summer term.

## RECEPTION NEWS



This is the term when we see Reception at their absolute cutest. In line with their minibeast topic they have a dressing up day and all come in as little minibeasts. On this day the parents are invited to join us for a rhyme session at the end of the day, so you will be able to see all the little cuties as well. The children have been very busy making pancakes and obviously enjoyed the eating side too. They also had pancakes for lunch and if they have them for tea they will all be pancaked out!

The new See-Saw app is going down a treat and Mrs Mahood wants me to remind you to make sure you check in and see what the children have been doing.

## YEAR 1 NEWS



Another class having a See-Saw success. Mrs Baldwin is uploading lots of pictures to keep you up to date with what the children are doing.

We watched a superb class assembly from Year 1. All the children had something to do and the year 1 staff were very proud of how well they did. The children are looking forward to World Book Day and wearing their costumes to school.

Mrs Baldwin has asked if all of the children could bring in a baby picture into school for the family album which they are producing.

## YEAR 2 NEWS



Year 2 have lots of activities planned to celebrate World Book Day and I am sure it will be double the fun in their costumes.

Year 2 this term are looking at Explorers, particularly Neil Armstrong and Christopher Columbus. Lots of the children did their own research at home, finding out about them and the teachers were really impressed with this.

Mrs Smith is really starting to prepare the children for their end of KS1 tests. She will be running an After School Club starting Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March which will be further supporting them with this. Please send your children along to the club as they really enjoy it.

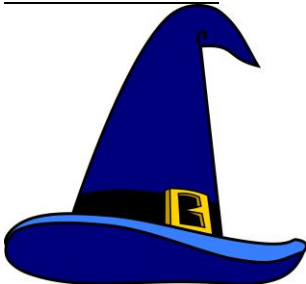
### YEAR 3 NEWS



Year 3 had a great time making Earth Puddings. They had an even better time eating them!

Their Rock and Roll Dance is coming on really well and I'm hoping we get to see a glimpse of this in their class assembly which is at 9.30am on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March. They spent one afternoon linked to their topic pretending to be cave men and doing paintings underneath the tables!

### YEAR 4 NEWS



Year 4 are currently studying *The Witches* as a class novel. They are doing lots of writing linked to this and the teachers have other exciting activities planned for them.

The children are also going to be doing a press conference and all become newspaper journalists. I wonder what they will be reporting on?

Beware of Miss Baron and Ms Jones on World Book Day- I do not know what this secret message is all about.....we will have to wait and see.

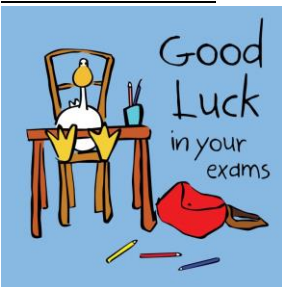
### **YEAR 5 NEWS**



Year 5 have just finished their Inventors unit and are now moving onto something very different. They are going to be learning all about the Amazon Rainforest and their class assembly next term will be based on this. Their task over half term was to make their own inventions and these have been presented to the class.

For their DT work they have been using kits to make moving toys. Mrs McVey said the end products were absolutely amazing and if you use your See-Saw App you will be able to see pictures of what they did.

### **YEAR 6 NEWS**



Year 6 have now only 7 weeks in school before their end of Key Stage 2 tests. For this reason it is really important that you support your child with any work which is sent home. This work will reinforce what has been going on in class and help them with strategies to make the tests easier.

The children have really enjoyed creating a detective novel, which is filled with lots of murders, mystery and motives- Excellent alliteration Mr Spence!

## UNIFORM

We seem to be getting some very strange uniform combinations in school at the moment. Can I remind all parents the cardigans and jumpers are blue, shirts are white or royal blue and trousers, dresses and skirts are grey or black. Also can you ensure your children wear proper shoes and NOT trainers.

## FEBRUARY SUPERSTARS

These children have been chosen this month due to their outstanding attitude, effort and behaviour in school.

As their special treat they will receive an invite to one of my Tea Parties and be allowed to come into school in their own clothes.

We play games eat cake and drink pop! What could be better than that?

Reception- Harry Miller (good learning at home)

Year 1- Billy Davies (Great effort even when things are tricky)

Year 2- Jessica Viksne (A great start to Crow Orchard and lovely new addition to the class)

Year 3- Ruby Scott (Trying much harder in Maths and English)

Year 4- Libby Flannagan (super effort and excellent attitude)

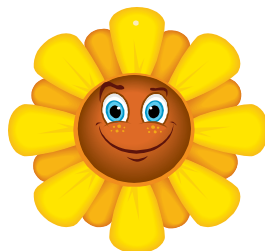
Year 5- Ella Nisill (great progress in every subject especially reading and writing)

Year 6- Abigail McHale (Improving in all subjects and making good contributions in class)

## OUR SUPER STAFF!

I always like to take the time to tell our staff how fantastic they are. Everyone works so hard and tries their very best to make your children's education fun and exciting. **Thank you to my wonderful staff for their time, hard work and commitment to their jobs.**

And that's about all for this month. Remember if you have a problem however small, please call and make an appointment. A problem shared is a problem sorted.....



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