

NOTICES FOR ALL PARENTS Week Ending 8th March 2024

Red Nose Day - Friday 15th March

Children may wear merchandise to school with their school uniform on Friday 15th March. Donations to Comic Relief/Red Nose Day can be made via this link.

World Book Day

Thank you for supporting us to celebrate World Book Day. The children all looked fabulous, and we were amazed by the ingenious contents and designs of the 'Book in a Jar' challenge. Please look out for photographs and a little more information on how we enjoyed the day in this month's newsletter.

Class Photographs

Next Wednesday 13th March the school photographer will be in school to take class photographs - Please ensure that that your child has their school jumper or cardigan with them on Wednesday. If your child has PE that day, please do not send them in PE kit, they will do music and movement instead. Proofs will be sent home allowing you to place orders.

Volunteer Information Meetings

Just a reminder that our next volunteer meeting will be on **Thursday 14th March at 2:30pm.** Some of you may be interested in volunteering or preparing to come in as a volunteer for the first time and we can talk about the types of activities you might undertake. Some of you have been volunteering for some time and we would like to understand your experience. Please complete the <u>online form</u> to advise us of your attendance.

We would like all volunteers to attend one of these meetings if you have not already done so. Volunteers who came to these meetings earlier in the year do not need to attend.

British Science Week 2024

Next week is British Science Week and the theme this year is 'Time'. Children across the school will be taking part in 'The Big Plastic Count'. Classes will count the different plastics that are thrown away during the week and we will aim to submit results the next week. If you would like join in, please see this letter explaining all about this UK-wide event. There is also a tally sheet for you to download should you wish to participate at home.

Travelling Book Fair – Coming to Holmesdale soon

A book fair is a pop-up book shop that brings children's books to our school and is a great opportunity to create a school-wide reading focus and build an appreciation for reading and books. Every book fair is packed with children's books for all ages – from award-winners and the newest titles to pocket-money pick-ups and treasured classics. The range includes picture books, early readers, chapter books, books for reluctant readers, non-fiction and lots more. Every book sold at our book fair helps to earn Rewards that we can spend on free books and resources for our classrooms and library. Each year, Travelling Books helps to donate more than £9 million worth of free books to schools across the UK and Ireland.

We will be hosting the book fair on Monday 25th, Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th March

3:10-4pm in the Studio. Please pop in after you have collected your child to peruse an amazing selection of children's fiction and nonfiction texts. We are unable to accept cash payments but will have a card payment system as well as a QR code payment system available for easy purchases.

Please <u>click here</u> for more information about the books that will be available.

Greensand Job Opportunities

Please see this poster for current opportunities within Greensand MAT.

YMCA Fun Run and Sports Festival

The YMCA will be holding a Fun Run and Sports Festival in Priory Park, Reigate on Sunday 5th May. Please see this poster for further information.

NOTICES FOR NURSERY PARENTS

There are no Notices for Nursery Parents this week.

NOTICES FOR RECEPTION PARENTS

Class Assemblies

We invite parents to come along to their child's class assembly at 9:15am as follows: Friday 3rd May – Ducks
Thursday 9th May – Rabbits
Friday 10th May - Foxes

Maths Games

On Monday 11th March, Rabbits and Foxes will have the maths games for their fortnightly turn. Please feel free to change them daily until Wednesday 20th March, all to be returned on Thursday 21st March.

NOTICES FOR YEAR ONE PARENTS

Maths Games

We hope Dragonflies and Owls have been enjoying playing maths games at home this week. Please return your maths games on Wednesday 13th March and remember your child is welcome to swap them for a new game in the meantime. Hedgehogs and Dragonflies classes will be able to bring them home from Monday 18th March until Wednesday 27th March. We do hope you have fun playing these. If you notice that any pieces e.g. counters, cards etc are missing, please let your child's class teacher know. Thank you.

Extra-Curricular Clubs - Summer Term

Please <u>click here</u> for a timetable of clubs for the summer term. Clubs should be contacted directly for booking and availability queries; all details can be found on the school website.

NOTICES FOR YEAR TWO PARENTS

Art Sculpture

In the next few weeks, we will be learning all about sculpture in art and, in particular, the life and works of Barbara Hepworth. One of our activities will involve sculpting a bar of soap! Please could each child bring in an inexpensive bar of soap by Monday 18th March to make their sculpture from. Thank you.

Trip to the British Wildlife Centre

If you would be willing to accompany the children on our visit to the British Wildlife Centre on Monday 17th June, then please register your interest by completing the online form by **Friday 15th March**. Your child's class teacher will be in touch with you after that date to let you know whether your help is needed. Please see our email sent 4th March for details.

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