

Care, Imagine, Believe, Strive, Achieve

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World Book Day

We had a wonderful, if delayed, World Book Day yesterday in school. What a variety of costumes were on show - from Harry Potter to the Very Hungry Caterpillar. Thank you to everyone who made the effort to dress up - we hope all the children in school had a fun day celebrating the enjoyment that books can bring. Children should have brought home a World Book Day Token. Please be aware that these tokens expire on 25th March so get choosing your books soon! Although all the children came in their own clothes or costumes, this unfortunately did not translate to an equal amount of donations. If your children did not bring in £1 today please can they bring it in on Monday - many thanks Activities throughout the day were as follows -

<u>Class 5 & 6</u> – read The Tin Forest and discussed key themes. Then they had a drama activity - hot seating as The Old Man and City People. They then wrote a letter to the city to persuade them to recycle their rubbish. They finished their busy day with a recycling craft session following the artist, Michelle Reader.

<u>Class 4</u> – read The Diary of a Killer Cat and then wrote character descriptions. They then closed their eyes, were given someone else's description, and had to draw a detailed picture of the character using the description. Finally they compared the descriptions to the pictures the children had drawn...with interesting results!

<u>Class 3</u> – read and listened to the story, Pumpkin Soup then followed it up with some role play. They then they followed a recipe for pumpkin soup and wrote out instructions...then even made some! <u>Class 2</u> – read the book, The Day the Crayons Quit and then wrote a letter about it. They then created a muddle mural and explored different emotions and adjectives. They fished by acting out their story.

<u>Class 1</u> - read Giraffes Can't Dance and then created a jungle dance! They then decorated some bananas at snack time to look like giraffes and painted jungle animals.

<u>Class 2</u> – read the book, The Day the Crayons Quit and then wrote a letter about it. They then created a muddle mural and explored different emotions and adjectives. They fished by acting out their story.

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Flamingo land

Classes 2 & 3 eventually managed to get to Flamingo Land for their educational visit today! They braved the Zoo Walk into the Lost Kingdom and Reptile River and studied Life Cycles and Habitats. We hope they enjoyed the visit and are keen to share their experiences with you.

Handyman/woman

Please remember to spread the word that we are looking for a handyperson. Duties would be general repairs, no more complicated than what is expected in a general household, and keeping the playground tidy, so not too onerous. Applicants would be able to fit the hours to suit themselves as long as we could be guaranteed 2hrs per week (or per fortnight) – we are open to negotiation as long the person is reliable! Contract would be subject to Police Clearance, references and online Safeguarding training.

Parents' Evenings

Slips confirming appointments for parents' evenings have been sent home this week.

<u>Kingswood</u>

If your child is in the current Year 5 and is due to go to Kingswood in the Peaks in September 2018, please be aware that the second payment instalment of £70 is now due. Please ensure you have paid this in cash, cheque or via Agora, by 17th March in order to secure your child's place on this residential visit. Many thanks.

Beat the Blues

Change of date due to educational visits being rearranged. Beat the Blues will now take place on Thursday 15th March. Children are invited to come into school wearing blue and bring a donation of £1. All funds raised will be split between the mental health charity, Mind and the School Council's fund raising project. During day the children will be taking part in a range of fun activities to develop their personal well-being & understanding of mental health and communication skills. The School Council will also be leading an assembly on the work of the mental health charity, Mind. We are planning to have a cake stall to help raise funds so would appreciate any donations of baked goods being brought in on the morning. Cakes will be for sale at 25p each so any money can be brought in, in a named purse.

Music lessons

We are expecting to have some space for brass lessons in the summer term. If your child is interested in learning trumpet, trombone, French horn or cornet please ask at the office for more details.

Photographs

The recent class and club photograph proofs have been sent home this week. If you would like to buy a photograph please complete the order form, enclose the payment, and return to us in the office please asap. We shall aim to send the order off just before the start of the Easter Holidays.

School Dinners

All our dishes are homemade. Fresh fruit and yoghurt are available every day. Vegetarians and all children with special dietary requirements will be catered for. If your child is having the sandwich option during the week please let us know on Monday morning as the sandwiches are made to specific numbers. Sandwiches are cheese or ham. School lunch costs £2.40 per meal. If you have any questions regarding individual meals and what allergens they contain please ask at the office and we will be able to supply you with the information you require.

School dinner menu - week commencing 12th March

Mon Ham & Cheese Pizza served with Potato Wedges, Baked Beans, and Sweetcorn

Vegetarian Margherita Pizza

Sultana Shortcake

Tues Chicken Pasta Bake served with Crusty Bread, Mixed Vegetables/Salad

Vegetarian Macaroni Cheese

Chocolate Cookie

Weds Roast Ham with Yorkshire Pudding Sweet Potato Mash, Mashed Potatoes, Cauliflower, Carrots

Vegetarian Veggie Roast Iced Lemon Sponge

Thurs Meatballs and Tomato Sauce, served with Rice, Vegetable Sticks, and Broccoli

Vegetarian Veggie Meatball

Chocolate Crackle

Fri Fish Bites served with Chips, Garden Peas, and Sweetcorn

Vegetarian Vegetable Nuggets Ice Cream Roll and Fruit

