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Monday 19th March 2018

World Book Day

Thank you to everyone who supported our World Book Day and Book Fayre last week. The children thoroughly enjoyed the day with storyteller Catherine O'Neill and workshops with author Jason Beresford...we hope you did too! The Book Fayre has raised us £128.75 commission in books! Thank you for your support.



One More Step Along the World I go...



Last week we said 'goodbye' to Mr and Mrs Horner in a farewell assembly. Mrs Horner has worked at Middleton St Mary's for over 19 years as a Teaching Assistant and Mr Horner for 7 years as a lunchtime and Facilities Assistant. We wish them well as they leave Middleton to move to Skegness. They will be greatly missed by the children and staff.

Diary Dates

Monday 19th March - Sports Relief Bands on Sale at break £1

Friday 23rd March - Non-uniform – sportswear, trainers, track suits, leggings etc. donate £1

Friday 23rd March - Y1 and Y2 Parents Workshop - Maths in school and fluency

Friday 20th April 2018- KS1 SATs and teacher assessment

Friday 27th April 2018- Problem solving and reasoning

Thursday 29th March – Easter Service at St Mary's Church

KS2: 1.20pm-2pm

KS1: 2.15-3pm

Thursday 29th March

School breaks up for Easter – 2 weeks

Monday 16th April

School opens for Summer Term 1 – Friday 25th May

Friday 20th April – Y3 to York's Chocolate Story

Monday 7th May – School Closed – May Day

Monday 14th May – Y6 SATs Week

Friday 18th May – Year 2 SATs start

THIS WEEK - Sports Relief



Wrist Bands on Sale - £1

We are asking that every child **donates £1 on Friday and comes to school in their sports kit (joggers, hoodies, trainers etc)** and every class in school will complete a mile around the field. (Nursery and reception will walk/run/jump for a half mile).

Children can dance, walk and skip around their laps. Once completed enough laps to equal a mile a whistle will be blown to stop and every child will receive a sticker for taking part.



On Friday at lunchtime, children will be able to try to score a goal against Mr Robinson, Year 5 teacher (30p for 3 chances).

Mrs E Binks, Y2 HLTA

Going cashless...

After the Easter holidays we will **not** be accepting money into school for Breakfast Club, dinner money or trip payments. **Staff must not be handling money under the Leeds Cash Handling guidelines. Many schools in Leeds already operate this system and take no cash. All** payments must be made via the Teachers2parents School Money app **OR** via pay point machines which are situated at various establishments. If you require your child's login details, passwords or pay point barcodes, please contact the school office direct.

Thank you to those parents who do use our preferred method for payments to school and if you have any concerns please do give school a call.

Mrs Wood and the Office Staff

Greek Day

Our Year 3s had an amazing day on Friday 16th March learning about Ancient Greece from our visitor Poly. We gathered together in the hall to learn about democracy and how Ancient Greeks voted and then took part in our own election. We had to vote for or against our school having a sweet shop! Mrs Bowes-Charles campaigned on behalf of the 'yes' vote and Miss Reynolds campaigned on behalf of the 'no' vote. Surprisingly, the majority voted 'no'.



After our exciting start, a group of children acted out the story of Theseus and the Minotaur. They were very confident and the audience showed their appreciation and **respect** for the performance.

Back in our classrooms, the children completed a Greek Quiz using the research boards that were placed around the classroom. They had a very puzzling time completing the Ancient Greek puzzle called an Ostomachion, which is a 14-piece dissection puzzle forming a square.



After lunch, we all gathered in the hall where they learnt about the weapons and armour used in Greek battles. They were split into the opposing armies of Sparta and Athens. They marched in formation towards each other. Finally, we had an incredible Middleton St Mary's mini Olympic Games with javelin throwing, discus throwing, chariot racing and singing their team song in honour of Zeus!



Thank you to all the adults and parents who helped the children dress up in amazing Ancient Greek costumes.

Mrs Bowes-Charles and Miss Reynolds