



### Message from our Headteacher

Last week we were visited by Lucas and Callie, they are cousins to Amber and Mylah and live in France. They spent the week practising their English and experiencing our education. They had a wonderful week and we were pleased to include them in our school community.

Yesterday was World Book Day, the book sale was a huge success, many children snapped up the brilliant books at bargain prices and we were thrilled to find these books new homes. We raised £163.60. The disco was a lovely end to the day, thank you those staff and parents that volunteered, it raised £358.96.

Yesterday as part of World Book Day you received a Book Token. This can be used in exchange for a book of choice at various selected retailers or can buy a book specifically written for this day. The specially written books that cost £1 can be quizzed in school.

Next week is Science week and the theme is Journeys. Over the week, children will take part in engaging science investigations that cover a range of knowledge linked to the theme; please talk to your children about the learning. They also have homework in preparation for the learning next week.



### What's on next week

#### Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March:

- Lego Club 3.20-4.20pm
- KS2 Archery 3.20-4.20pm

#### Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March:

- Choir 8.20-8.50am
- Woodwind, Singing and Guitar Lessons
- KS2 Healthy Lifestyle 3.20-4.20pm

#### Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March:

- Violin and Keyboard Lessons

#### Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March:

- Drum Lessons
- Year 3 Swimming
- KS1 Dodgeball 3.20-4.20pm
- KS2 Running Club 3.20-4.20pm
- SATS Meeting Year 6 Parents/Carers 6pm

#### Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March:

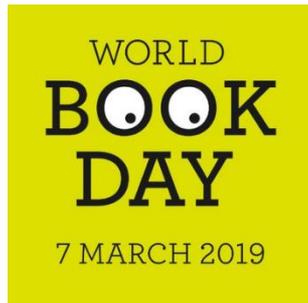
- Red Nose Day – non uniform £1 donation
- KS2 Dodgeball 3.20-4.20pm



## Years 1 &amp; 2

In maths, Year 1 have been finding the difference between numbers and Year 2 have continued to find fractions of shape and number. In writing lessons, the children have innovated our 'Tigers' information text. Our theme lessons have focused on sorting animals according to different criteria. The children enjoyed learning the difference between Carnivores, Herbivores and Omnivores.

Please can we request any shoe boxes you have - ready for Science Week next week.



## Years 3 &amp; 4

We loved celebrating world book day in Years 3 & 4 when we planned, drew and created our own comic strips. Lots of creative ideas came from the children including wizards' spell books and magic superheroes!

It has been an interesting week in our theme as we looked at what happened to some animals when they died millions of years ago, how they got buried and eventually became fossils.

We have written about this process and set up our own experiment where we tried to make our own fossils using jelly snakes, bread and heavy books! This has brought the learning to life and the children loved setting this up and discovering what happened a few days later.

Next week we will celebrate Science week with lots of activities including a trip to Stowe Pool to look at birdlife.

## Years 5 &amp; 6

Year 5 & 6 have an interesting week continuing with our Darwin's Delight theme. We have talked about investigating how to charm worms out of the ground; what we have inherited from our families and looked more about Darwin's journey on HMS Beagle. We have also celebrated World Book Day by writing and sharing some comic strips.

## ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL

Week Commencing: 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Whole School Attendance: 96%

Year Group:	Percentage Attendance:
Reception	96%
Year 1	99%
Year 2	97%
Year 3	96%
Year 4	95%
Year 5	97%
Year 6	96%



### Summer Fair – June 2019

With the PTFA severely depleted, I am considering the possibility that the organisation of a 'summer fair' may not happen this year. It takes a lot of hard work and organising. The Christmas fair, which was a success, did heavily rely on good will of staff, and although we want the best for the children of Chadsmead, June/July is already a very busy time in school.

I am asking you all to consider options; can we pull together a committee of parents that could help with just this event? Or do we have other suggestions of a 'summer fundraiser/school event' – there is nothing to say we have to go down the traditional summer fair route.

I would be disappointed to not have any event in the summer and so will leave this thought with you for a few weeks to see if any support or ideas come forward. Thank you, Mrs Grainger.

### Comic Relief 2019

We will be supporting Red Nose Day this year on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March, non-uniform day with donations to Comic Relief.



### Nut Free School

A letter has been sent home recently about nut allergies within school - please help us strive to be a nut – free school.



### Pre-Loved Uniform

We have a good stock of Chadsmead jumpers and cardigans in stock, £5 each.

Please complete an order form (available from the Office) and we will contact you once your items are ready to be collected.

### World Book Day Disco



## Teacher Interview

School council's next interview is with Mrs Grainger who was interviewed by Akito and Jacob:



1. What inspired you to become a teacher?

*A primary school teacher, Mr Crawford, taught Mrs Grainger to read and this inspired her to want to teach others to read as well.*

2. What did you do before you became a teacher?

*Mrs Grainger has always been a teacher, but whilst training many years ago she once delivered the yellow pages. And this was when they were 4inches thick!*

3. Why do you enjoy teaching?

*Mrs Grainger really likes talking with children. Finding out their ideas and opinions and using the interest to support learning.*

4. What is your favourite subject to teach? Why?

*Mrs Grainger really likes "Theme" because she enjoys finding out lots of new facts and information. British History is also a favourite.*

5. What house team are you in?

*Mrs Grainger is not in a house - she is the head teacher!*

6. What are your favourite hobbies?

*Mrs Grainger loves to read books in her spare time, she also spends lots of her time delivering her children to many clubs and social activities. Family time is very important.*

7. What sort of music do you like?

*Mrs Grainger loves ABBA, Queen and pop music.*

8. If you had a super power, what would it be? Why?

*Invisibility and teleportation because she says she is sometimes lazy and would like to sneak around without others knowing.*

9. If you were head teacher, what would you do to make the school even better?

*As Head teacher, I want to instil the importance of communication with others. This is truly a life skill and possibly without this skill, many other skills are not filled to their potential.*

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## SCHOOL EVENTS 2019

### MARCH

15<sup>th</sup> Red Nose Day – non-school uniform

### APRIL

11<sup>th</sup> Early Years Easter Service 9.15am

12<sup>th</sup> Easter Services for KS2 – 9.30am

Easter Services for KS1 – 2.30pm

15<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> Easter Holidays

### MAY

2<sup>nd</sup> Polling Day

6<sup>th</sup> Bank Holiday

13<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> KS2 SATS Tests

21<sup>st</sup> KS2 Summer Music Concert 9.30am

27<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> Half Term

### JUNE

12<sup>th</sup> Chadsmead's Got Talent

18<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> Friary/Netherstowe/King Edwards Transition Day

21<sup>st</sup> Inset Day

### JULY

8<sup>th</sup> KS2 Sports Day

9<sup>th</sup> KS1 Sports Day

15<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Prom (tbc)

19<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.30am

19<sup>th</sup> Last Day of Term

Register your place at the launch: email Jill at [blast.staffs@gmail.com](mailto:blast.staffs@gmail.com)

Launch meeting for parents

**March 21st**  
**Burntwood Library**  
**1.15pm**

Free information, advice and support for parents of children with autism navigating life in a neurotypical world

Supporting sessions include:  
Occupational Therapy, Wellbeing, Speech and Language Therapy, EHCP process

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