



## Spring 4

Thursday, 7th March 2019

### Message from the Head

The children have returned from their half term and made a good start to the second half of the Spring term. It is lovely to see the signs of Spring around the school grounds.



We have had a busy week, with all children making pancakes to mark Shrove Tuesday. This links in with the children's RE topic as they learn about Lent and the Easter period.

Last Friday in church, Rev'd John Russell led our Collective Worship as we remembered those within our school community who have recently lost a much loved family member. As a Christian community, we gathered together and the children lit candles for their relatives and we offered our prayers. On a personal level, I would like to thank you all for your very kind words and support following my own personal loss.

#### PANCAKE MAKING FOR ALL



As part of our RE curriculum, this week all children enjoyed (and eating) making pancakes on Shrove Tuesday. This was followed by learning about Ash Wednesday and the meaning of Lent. The children reflected on the way in which they are going to prepare themselves for Easter during the Preparation period of Lent.



#### Communication

Please note that as we now have our School to Parents text service, emails and website as our main means of effective communication, we are taking the step to become more environmentally friendly by reducing the amount of paper that is used within the school. Therefore, all letters, will now be sent to parents electronically. In addition to receiving correspondence by email, all letters will also be available on the Home page on the website. These will be located under the new tab, '**Latest News**'. However, if you prefer to continue to receive paper copies of all letter, you are very welcome. Please contact the office to confirm that the paper option is your preference. Please note that the week's events are displayed on the homepage of the website.



#### Change of date

Please note that EYFS Sharing Assembly will now take place on Tuesday, 2nd April, at 9:00a.m. and **not** Wednesday, 3rd April as previously noted.

#### Monthly Value:



#### FRIENDSHIP

Harriet's handprint completed our tree of Friendship as she was nominated or always being a good friend to others.

#### RESPONSIBILITY

This week, Lucy and Lilly started the branch of Responsibility as they were nominated for their responsible attitude at lunchtime.

#### IALAC

Recently, the following children have confidently shared their gifts and talents with us:- Fenella, Henry, Layla and Harvey. Their peers and staff were pleased to share extra attributes for the children.

#### HOUSE POINTS AWARDS

10 House point certificate

Congratulations to :-  
Ethan, James, Sophia,  
Ryan, Harrison, William,  
Lilly, Hope, Harry O and  
Ollie A.

20 House point certificate:

- Congratulations to:-  
Harley, Josh, Zach,  
Harriet, Fenella, Fallon,  
Jack W and Blue.



#### Prayer of Responsibility

*Help us to have a sense of responsibility to ourselves,  
So that we may never waste our gifts*

### Science Day

Next Wednesday, 13th March, we are having a whole school Science Day to support our Science curriculum. During the day, the children will carry out research, plan and carry out investigation. The children are invited to come to school dressed as a Scientist for the day.



### RED NOSE DAY

On Friday, as a school we will be supporting Comic Relief. Members of the School Council will be selling Red Noses at school. Each Red Nose will cost £1.25 and all proceeds will go to support the work of this most worthwhile charity. The funds raised by the charity go to support vulnerable people and communities in the UK and internationally.



### BREAD MAKING IN Y3/4



Last week, a delicious smell was drifting round the school. It was coming from Y3/4 as they were creating their own flavour of bread, as part of their Technology Investigation. Their creations included onion flavoured bread, as well as rosemary, olive, cheese and sundried tomato bread. Having made the bread, they then voted on their favourite., with ..... being the clear winner.

### SPEEDSTACKING

*Last Tuesday, Year 4 went to an amazing speed stacking competition at Ashlyns Secondary School. It was a great experience and gave us the opportunity to get active and use our hands. We had lots of support and it was really fun to be able to compete against other schools.*

*by Robyn and Finlay*



The children did extremely well in this competition, with the girls' team finishing in an impressive 11th place, out of 52 teams. Our school team as a whole, finished 16th out of 56 school. Well done, children. A great result for our small school. Many thanks to Mrs Robertson and Mrs Crosby for taking the children to the competition.

### FOOTBALL MATCH



**Great Gaddesden  
V Flamsted**

*On Wednesday 27th March, ten children from Year 5 and 6 played in a football match against Flamsted school. Even though the final score wasn't in our favour, we all played our best and it was a fun match. It was great to be able to represent our school by playing as part of the school football team.*

*By Lilly, Phoenix and Jamie*

Many thanks to Mrs Jessop for taking the children to the match.

## SPRING TERM DATES 2019

### Spring 2

#### Thursday, 7th March

- World Book Day

#### Wednesday, 13th March

- Science Day

#### Friday, 15th March

- Red Nose Day

#### Thursday, 21st March

- 9:00 Y5/6 Sharing Assembly

#### Monday, 25th March

- Waste Aware Assembly
- Workshop Y5/6

#### Tuesday, 26th March

- 9:00 Y1/2 Sharing Assembly
- 3:30—5:00pm  
Parent Consultation Evening

#### Wednesday, 27th March

- 5:30—7:30pm  
Parent Consultation Evening

#### Thursday, 28th March

- 9:00 Y3/4 Sharing Assembly

#### Tuesday, 2nd April

- EYFS Sharing Assembly

#### Thursday, 4th April

- 9:00 Easter church service
- 10:30 Egg rolling competition

#### Friday, 5th April

- 1:30 End of term.
- 1:30 FOGGS Easter Egg hunt

*Help us to have a sense of responsibility to the world in which we live,  
So that we may take care of our environment.*

*Amen.*