



16th February 2018

Spring 1 Week 6

'Striving for Excellence in everything we do!' - Miss Heywood

Special Points of Interest

- Chinese New Year
- Colouring Competition
- World Book Day

Dates for your diary

Wed 28th February
Coffee Morning
Entrance via side of
reception

HALF TERM
Monday 19th Feb
to
Friday 23rd Feb

World Book Day

The first week back will be jam-packed with reading challenges, sessions and events for the children to take part in to promote and inspire a love for reading. Below are some of the details of those events for your information.

Date for your diary: Thursday 1st March (Dress-up day)

On World Book Day, we would like the children and staff at Sandbrook to dress up as their favourite **Roald Dahl character** for the day. The whole week will be inspired by this author and the children will have lots of chances to learn about him and some of his famous work. Use your imagination and be creative to make your own costumes! Do lots of research! *Can you create a better costume than your teacher?* Here are some suggestions to think about:

Dress up Day

Feeling vile? Come as Veruca.
Veruca Salt pesters her dad until he finally finds a Golden Ticket. But she's so bad that she gets pushed down a rubbish chute by angry squirrels.
It's a good job that looking just like her isn't so annoying. Just find a pink bow for your hair and a frilly skirt.

You'll make a super Sophie.
Sophie is kidnapped by the BFG, but together they hatch a plan to get rid of man-eating giants once and for all.
Hatch your own plan to find a pink dress and a pair of glasses.

Make it a BIG day.
The Big Friendly Giant loves chidders and wants every day to be glorumptious.
You can make your own big impression. Find two paper plates, colour them pink and you've got your very own BFG ears. You'll look exunctly like him!

Give it some oomph as an Oompa-Loompa.
They came from Loompaland to make sure the chocolate flowed at Willy Wonka's Chocolate Factory.
You can look just like them with a pair of dungarees and a coloured wig. Doompadee do it!

Which witch?
The Grand High Witch orders all of the country's children to be exterminated.
But you won't need to cast a spell to dress up as her. Just find some dark clothes and make cardboard claws to wear on your fingers.

Have glomumptious fun!

We ask that you kindly donate £1 to dress up as your favourite Roald Dahl character

Sandbrook's 100,000,000 minutes reading challenge

Date for your diary: From Thursday 1st March until Thursday the 29th March, we will be joining early years settings, schools, colleges, parents, carers and community groups across the UK to collectively read for...

100,000,000 minutes!

It's a HUGE target! Therefore, for us to take part fully, 5 x reads weekly is a continued expectation of our children!

There will be a selection of prizes available for the schools that clock the highest average number of reading minutes per pupil per week. Each child who takes part will also receive a certificate for their efforts.

This challenge isn't just about winning prizes. It's about introducing children and young people to the habit of reading in everyday life, helping them to improve their imagination and communication skills, and brighten their future prospects.

Research shows that just 10 minutes of reading a day makes a huge difference to a child's progress. We hope that this challenge will encourage more children to read at home regularly. Let's strive for excellence together and fly high with reading!

To find out more visit: www.100millionminutes.org.

Celebrating success

Take a look at our whole-school art and reading project! Our inspiration has come from our trip to watch 'The Jungle Book' in The Unity Theatre before the Christmas holidays.

Effort + determination + some inspiration = success.

Keep an eye out for our upcoming projects!



Half Term Rugby or Hockey Camps

For boys aged 8 years and over Rugby or Hockey Camps are being held at Calday Grammar during half term 19th—23rd February. Full details including booking form are on our website on the External Events page.



Chinese New Year

KS1 children have already taken part in several events/activities to celebrate Chinese New Year. Years 4, 5 and 6 will be doing Chinese Calligraphy on March 1st



Colouring competition

Wirral libraries are holding a colouring competition for Wirral pupils — to win a family ticket to see David Walliams 'Awful Auntie' at the Floral Pavilion New Brighton.



Competition forms can be found on the school website (External Events page) and entries can be returned to any Wirral library by Saturday 3rd March.

REMINDER Recycling

For those who have taken a recycling bag for our school fund scheme the filled bags need to be in school Tuesday 27th February and placed in the bike shed. They will be collected Wednesday 28th at 9am

Old batteries can be sent into school at any time and placed into the respective bins.