



Dear Parents / Carers



Book Swap

Well done to the School Council on organising the Book Swap at the end of last Half Term. Thank you for all the donations of books – the children really enjoyed choosing a new book to read!

World Book Day – 7th March

World Book Day will be held on Thursday 7th March. This year the whole school will be looking at the same book and will present their learning around this book at our World Book Day assembly on Thursday 7th March at 2.30pm.

We would like to invite any parent/carer who would like to share a short story with a group of children into school on this day. In order to work out numbers please can you let the School Office know if you are happy to come and read to a group of children for 15 minutes on this date. It would be great if you could share a book that is special to you or one that you remember from your childhood. Please let the Office know by Wed 6th March in order that we can timetable the visits. Thank you



During the day the children will have the opportunity to read with a buddy and the adults in school will share with the children the book that they are reading and a short story that they particularly enjoy.

In order to complete our Reading Display that is central in the school it would be fantastic if your child could bring in a photo of them doing “extreme reading”. A photo of your child reading in an unusual place would be fabulous to add to the children’s book reviews. Last time we had photos of children reading in the bath, upside down, in the garden shed..... The more extreme the better (as long as it is safe!)

We would like all photos to be in school by World Book Day and there will be a prize for the most extreme reader!

Attendance

I am aware that I have written to you as regards the importance of school attendance on several occasions. It is imperative that we improve our attendance data and that all of our children attend school unless they are too unwell to do so and are punctual in their arrival. I attach a letter sent from Jon Lewis – Service Director for Cambridgeshire to highlight the concerns.



Tesco Donation

The PTFA recently organised a blue token collection to develop Reading in our school. I am very pleased to say that your donations of blue tokens at the March Tesco store has resulted in £1000 towards new reading resources in our school! Thank you everyone!

Home Learning Expectations

Well done to the children who regularly practise their 45 minutes of Maths Whizz and read weekly!

The school's expectations for Home Learning are clear within the Home Learning Policy and the pupils are reminded constantly about them, however this week there are 17% of our children who have not read at home or accessed Maths Whizz which is disappointing as the progress made by pupils who regularly complete their home learning is very evident. If children do not complete their reading or Maths Whizz they will be required to do so during their playtimes. Your support with this would be gratefully received.

The pupils' next Home Learning tasks will be due week beginning 25th March. The class' choice of Home Learning Activities can be found on your child's class newsletter for the Spring Term – these can be found on the School website.



Our next **Celebration Assembly will be held on Friday 8th March at 9am.**

We look forward to seeing you there to help us celebrate the pupils' achievements.

Following our last Celebration Assembly a ring was found near the entrance doors. If you think this might belong to you please ask at the School office.

Red Nose Day

Red Nose Day will be held on Friday 15th March. We invite all the children to wear RED on this day to raise funds for this worthy cause. Please donate £1 to wear **RED**! Thank you for your support.