



Academy News

28th February 2020

A super start to the second half of the Spring half term. The new topics and texts are well underway!

Nursery: Transport

Reception: Journeys; Mr Gumpy's outing & Mrs Armitage on wheels

Year 1: Britain; The Hodgeheg & Cops and Robbers

Year 2: Our World; Meerkat Mail & Lost and Found

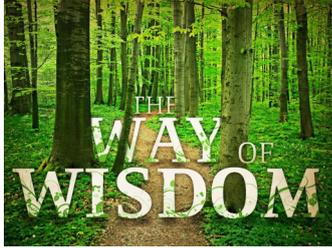
Year 3: On our doorstep; Voices in the park, Hansel and Gretel

Year 4: Under the sea; Why the whales came

Year 5/6: Route 66; Holes & Prison poetry

Can't wait to see what comes from these topics!

Our value this half term is:



Headlice...

Once a week

Take a peek



Children on Gold

14/02/20— 115

28/02/20— 126



World Book Day has come around again— please see the information below that was sent out last half term.

World Book Day

Although this is not until 5th March we wanted to give you some prior notice. We would like the children to come in as a book character (preferably with a copy of the book).

Teaching Assistants are focussing on reading this term and are spending time reading to the classes from a quality text. Which books stick in your mind from your childhood? Did you have a favourite story? Mine were 'How the mole got his pockets' and 'Frog and Toad'.

Some people have asked whether, instead of dressing up they could bring a book to donate to the school library—yes of course you can; what a lovely way to add to our incredible reading room, or class areas.

At Easter we will be changing service providers for our school meals. Aspens will now be providing the food for our lunchtimes and a new menu will be available soon.

<https://www.aspens-services.co.uk/>



Excellent!

Friday 14th February 2020

Badger Class— Hetty

Barn Owl Class — Lilianna

Dragonfly Class— Toby

Fox Class — Maddy

Hedgehog Class — Lily

Grey Squirrel Class—Caitlyn

Red Squirrel Class— Seren

Staff award— Mrs Schofield

Attendance award— Badger Class

Team Points— Pullman Team (Green)

Value Award— Archie Castleton

Please Note: Due to World Book Day activities on Thursday next week, Forest School and PE will NOT take place on this day. This also means the after school sport club, run by Aspire PE will not be running after school. Please be sure to collect your child at the normal time.



Excellent!

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Badger Class— Libby

Barn Owl Class — Katelyn

Dragonfly Class— Louie

Fox Class — Alfie

Hedgehog Class — Imogen

Grey Squirrel Class—Alexis

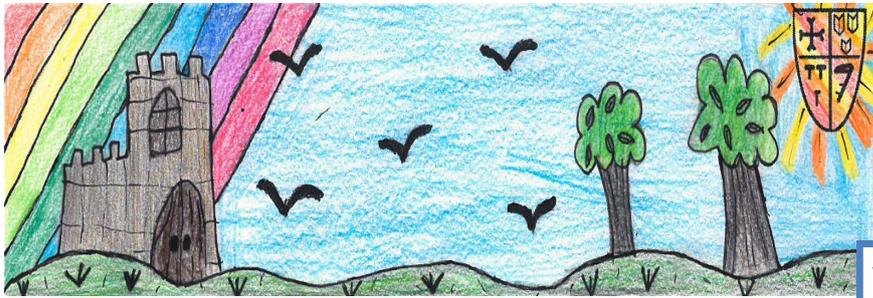
Red Squirrel Class— Grace

Staff award— Mrs Dorr

Attendance award— Red Squirrel Class

Team Points— Rowling Team (Red)

Value Award— Ellie-Mae Windsor



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Dates for your diary:

Did you know that our funding for our bagel and porridge breakfasts is ending at Easter? As a school we see the benefits of allowing everyone to access this every day. With this in mind we are looking at sustaining the running costs. It costs about £30 per week to keep this provision going. Would you be able to consider 'sponsoring' a week or part of a week? Remember this is feeding up to 170 children for 5 days. Staff are looking at ways to encourage businesses in the community to support us too. Following this appeal on social media, many people have given verbal and financial support to this scheme, including Blenheim Grange Residents Association who donated £120 towards the

We have been told about a website that is 'doing the rounds' at the moment. Please do not let your children use it. Its concept is to 'talk to strangers' but has the options for video chat too. Upon a 'test' the site is not suitable at all for people under 18 and it has been reported to the Academy Trust and the Police. It has also been blocked at school. The site is called Omegle.

A local resident has sent an email through to let us know they continue to see inconsiderate parking, and people leaving their car engines idling for significant amounts of time before school pick up at 3:15. I appreciate that parking is at a premium at the end of the school day but please consider access for our neighbours and any possible emergency vehicles that may not be able to reach their destination. Many thanks for your time.

- 02/03 Year 7 High School placement offer day
- 02/03 Year 5/6 Café pm**
- 02/03 Parent Consultation with half year report**
- 03/03 Parent Consultation with half year report**
- 04/03 Year 2 cycle safety and bike check
- 05/03 World Book Day
- 06/03 EYFS Café pm (Nursery & Reception)**
- 09-13/03 British Science Week: Our diverse planet
- 10/03 Year 6 visit to Crucial Crew
- 11/03 Kidz Club Collective Worship
- 11/03 Reception height/weight/vision/hearing
- 11/03 Cluster Sporting Event
- 11/03 Yr 1/2 visit to Snettisham Farm Park
- 12/03 Shopping & fundraising afternoon 2:30pm**
- 13/03 Sport Relief Day—dress in Sports Kit
- 16/03 Key Stage 1 Singing performance
- 16/03 Year 3 cycle safety and bike check
- 20/03 Mother's Day Café 2pm**
- 31/03 Whole School Theatre Performance am
- 31/03 Whole School Easter Café pm**
- 01/04 Easter Service 9am at Church**
- 01/04 Whole School Easter Egg Hunt
- 01/04 School closes for Easter Holiday
- 16/04 EYFS Offer day (YrR September 2020 places)
- 20/04 School opens for Summer Term
- 22/04 Church Service—Value of Courage**
- 01/05 Roman Day for Year 3

Items marked in **BOLD**— parents are invited to attend.

As you may have heard, we had unwanted visitors over the weekend, who took the majority of the lead from the school roof. This has left us with damage and various areas in the building no longer water-tight. We are working with the insurance company to rectify the damage, and appreciate those who have offered help. We will be sure to ask in the forthcoming days and weeks—thank you!

Happy Birthday to:

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| Danny (5) | Louie (7) | Harlowe (6) |
| Coralee (11) | Shanice (8) | Alexis (10) |
| Francis (8) | Edward (3) | Kyle (4) |
| Lillie R (3) | Lillie B (3) | Mylah (3) |



Handwriting Awards

14/02 & 28/02

- Alfie & Dominic
- Grace & Mason
- Emily & Tommy
- Evie & Maddy
- Divine & Jacob R
- Ashton & Kohen
- Jamie & Seren

Maths Marvels!

14/02 & 28/02

- Charlie & Louie
- Taylor & Troy
- Mollie & Chloe
- Cerys & Tianna
- Jacob R & Sophie
- Violet & Tyrone
- Daisy & Daisy!