

Newsletter

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Inspire, Enjoy, Achieve

15th March 2024





Dear Parents/Carers

We are delighted to say that our sponsored read event has already raised over £1000 for reading resources and new books for school. Thank you to everyone who supported this event and further developed the children's love for reading.

It has been fabulous to see all the children wearing red or something funny to support Red Nose Day. The donations of cakes are very much appreciated too!

We have had a busy week preparing for our Spring Lamb Day fundraiser on Sunday and have been completely overwhelmed by the generosity of our staff, families and local businesses. We are hoping for a great day and looking forward to seeing you there. All of the fundraising undertaken in school helps us to support our extra curricular activities and enhances your children's learning experiences.

We were sorry that the Year 4 sports trip for Eagles class had to be cancelled this week due to circumstances beyond our control, but we will ensure the children get the opportunity to take part at another time.

This week we have received a very generous donation of 60 sports bibs with our school logo on, for the children to wear with pride at sporting events. These were kindly sponsored by Mr Kennedy and BMW.







As briefly outlined previously, you will receive a written interim report on your child's progress on Monday 25th March. If you wish to discuss this further with your class teacher, appointments will be available for you to book on our training day after the Easter break.

We are saying a fond farewell to Miss Constant, who is based in EYFS. She is getting married soon and relocating and we wish her every success for the future.

Mrs Headland

Diary Dates

17th March—Spring Lamb Day

20th March-Last Art Club

20th March—Yr4 Roman Workshop

20th March—Skylarks Class Sport Trip

21st March—Movie Night
25th March—Last Coding Club KS1
25th March—Reception Year Day Trip to Wimpole Farm

27th March-Last Basketball / Netball Club KS1

28th March—Last Basketball / Netball Club KS2

28th March—Last Coding Club KS2

28th March—Yr2 Cake Šale

28th March—Last Day of Term

15th April—Inset Day

16th April—Return to School



Attendance

A big well done to Willows class this week with 99.3% attendance and Eagles class last week with 100%. The whole school attendance is 95.7% but we are aiming for 98%

Public Health

Due to an increase in winter illnesses and following advice from public health, we are continuing with the 148 hour incubation period for the foreseeable future. If your child suffers even one bout of sickness or diarrhea please do not send them into school.

We kindly ask that you do please respect this decision and assist us in keeping all our children safe and healthy. Thank you.

Preschool

Cherry class has made a special display tree during World Book Week. At the beginning, the tree was a winter tree with no leaves on it. Each child brought a leaf into school decorated with

their favourite book and so gradually the tree "grew" leaves! This ties in with our topic of learning about the seasons and how plants grow!





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WORLD BOOK DAY



World Book Day

Well done to everyone for the great outfits produced on World Book Day last week linked to our nursery rhyme theme. It demonstrated how well our everyday clothes can be transformed into



different costumes with small tweaks and accessories.





Cake Competition







Cake winners all got £5.00 voucher to spend at the book fair:

Incey Wincey Spider- Elias & Eadlin Baa Baa Black Sheep- Dalton Hickory Dickory Dock- Avalyn 3 Blind Mice- Caoimhe Once upon a nursery rhyme- Darcy





Comic Relief

It was great to see everyone supporting the red theme today for Comic Relief. The children looked fabulous and we raised a lot of money which will be split equally between the school and Comic Relief. A definite total will be confirmed in due course.









Zebra Crossing

Please support our school community as we petition for a zebra crossing outside our school!

https://councillorsupport.bedford.gov.uk/ mgEPetitionDisplay.aspx?id=1105



Medical and First Aid Tracker

medicaltracker

We are in the process of introducing a new package called Medical Tracker to notify you of any accidents in school. If your child has an accident at school you will be sent an email notification, so you will no longer receive a paper copy as per previous practice. We are hoping to have completely phased this in by Easter. For this reason please can we ask you to check your emails regularly. We will of course still call you if we have any immediate concerns in school.

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Spring Lambing Day

We are looking forward to our Spring Lamb Day this Sunday. If you would like to come there are still tickets available via Eventbrite or cash on the day.

Come along and see the lambs! We will also have various stall's which include a raffle, tombola, refreshments (drinks/cakes), sweets, BBQ, used book stall, glitter tattoos and more.

PLEASE NOTE THIS WILL BE CASH ONLY ON THE DAY



£5 per person Visit & feed the lambs!

llam - 3pm

We aim to provide our children with opportunities to become confident, happy children valuing