



Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 4th March 2022

Message from the Headteacher

Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) – Support for Ukraine – School Fundraiser

We would like to hold a school fundraiser to raise funds for the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) in support of displaced families in and from Ukraine. The Government has pledged to match-fund monies which go to the DEC.

We invite you to send cakes and biscuits into school on Friday 11th March for class bake sales. Please also send your child to school with some money to spend on purchasing some sweet treats; cakes will be sold for 25p each.

In addition, we invite children to wear their school uniform as usual but to also wear something yellow – perhaps a ribbon, a t-shirt, pair of socks or jumper – this is to represent the blue and yellow of the Ukrainian flag. We would appreciate a donation for this too – send what you can afford.

Mrs Hindle has organised blue and yellow ribbons to attach to the playground fence and will also be making some ribbon pin badges which will be on sale for a minimum donation of 50p. We are also looking into having packets of sunflowers – the national flower of Ukraine – on sale too.

We will be sensitive when talking to the children about this fundraiser. The Department for Education has given us some good links to materials suitable to use with children. We will focus on the desire to help and support and will not be looking to place blame nor sensationalise threat and war.

Thank you in advance for your support with this, please do let me know if you have any particular concerns about us undertaking this piece of work.

Parent/Carer Consultation Meetings

We are all really looking forward to seeing you at the parent/carers teacher meetings next week. Please come to the main reception entrance as meetings will be held in the hall. Your child's workbooks will be available for you to look at and you will each have a 10 minute appointment with your child's class teacher. Do not come to the meeting if you have COVID or COVID symptoms; we will rearrange to suit. If you have children with you please ensure that they sit with you whilst you are waiting for your appointment.

Pancakes!

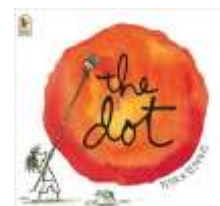
On Tuesday we celebrated Shrove Tuesday in style with the return of our annual pancake making, eating and racing. Key Stage 2 children went into the hall and enjoyed Mr Oliver's freshly cooked pancakes with all the trimmings in the morning and took part in house races through the afternoon. Key Stage 1 and Year R also had the chance to share pancakes together, get sticky and then take part in some races. Many thanks to Mr Oliver for making sure everyone enjoyed a flippin' good day!

World Book Day

Thank you to all of you who joined us in celebrating World Book Day yesterday. The children clearly all had a great day dressing up as their favourite character. We enjoyed characters as diverse as David Attenborough to Willy Wonka and Spider man to Hermione Granger. The whole school enjoyed the book *The Dot* by Peter H Reynolds a fun story which encourages even the most uncreative of us to make a mark and follow where it takes us.

Wishing you all a good weekend.

Helen Comfort





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Message from Class R

Class R have been reading the book *The Tiny Seed* by Eric Carle. We have thought about our favourite part of the story and have been learning how to write a simple sentence using a capital letter and full stop. We are becoming super writers! We are also learning the poem 'A Little Seed' by Mabel Watts and we have learnt actions to go with it.

Together, we have created a whole class display where we explored the journey of how to grow a flower. In groups we each made a different part of the plant's cycle. We are amazing little artists!

Class R were very excited to take part in World Book Day. We all looked fantastic in our costumes.

Mrs Collins

Star Awards

w/e 4th March 2022

Class 1 – Mya
Class 2 – Jack
Class 3 – Seth
Class 4 – Gracie
Class 5 – Jack & Renon
Class 6 – Charlie



World Book Day

Thank you for supporting
World Book Day.

We raised £119.00



Class 5 Enterprise Week

Thank you for your support of our Class 5 Enterprise Event. I am pleased to say that the children have raised £115.05 so far. As there are a few gifts left there will be another chance to buy a gift on **Monday 7th March** when Class 5 will be selling these during break times again. Gifts will range from between 50p to £2.

Coronavirus Symptoms

Updated Guidance

From 24th February there is no longer a legal requirement for people with coronavirus (COVID-19) infection to self-isolate, however if you have any of the main symptoms of COVID-19 or a positive test result, the public health advice is to stay at home and avoid contact with other people.

The main symptoms of COVID-19 are a recent onset of any of the following:

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

If you have any of these symptoms you should book a PCR test. If you have problems or cannot use the online service, call 119. You are advised to stay at home and avoid contact with other people while you are waiting for the test result.

If tested positive for COVID-19, you should self-isolate for at least five full days, and should continue to follow guidance until you have received 2 negative test results on consecutive days from day 5.

Keeping School Informed

If your child tests positive for COVID-19 please inform the school – by telephone on 01304 852639 during the school day. If your child tests positive 'out of hours' we do not need to know until the morning of the first day of absence – as with all sickness absence.

The Week Ahead!

Week commencing 7th March 2022

Monday, 7th March – 3:30pm to 6:30pm Parent/Carer Consultation Meetings (by appointment)

Wednesday, 9th March - 3:30pm to 6:30pm Parent/Carer Consultation Meetings (by appointment)

Lunch Menu – Week 3

