

## Newsletter 20 – 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2018

*'We take responsibility for ourselves and do the right thing,  
even when it's difficult.'*

### Diary Dates

#### World Book Day Dressing Up

Year 6 SATs Meeting

#### Year 6 WOW Event – Fizzy Science

Book Fair

#### School Disco

Parents'/Carers' Evening 1 (Y1)

#### Parents'/Carers' Evening 2 (Y1)

Year 4 WOW Event – Vegetable Curry

#### Parents'/Carers' Evening 1 (R, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6)

EYFS Coffee and Information Morning (more details to follow)

#### Parents'/Carers' Evening 2 (R, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6)

KS2 SATs Week

#### Sports Day

#### Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March 5-6pm

#### Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 1.00-2.30pm

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March

#### Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March 6.00-7.30pm

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March

#### Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March 1:00-2:00pm

#### Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March

#### Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March

w/beg 14<sup>th</sup> May

#### Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June

**Holidays:** Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Feb – Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Feb; Mon 26 March – Fri 6<sup>th</sup> April; Mon 28<sup>th</sup> May – Fri 1<sup>st</sup> June; Fri 20<sup>th</sup> July – Fri 31<sup>st</sup> Aug

### Headteacher's News

As you can see from some of the photographs, what a busy first week back we have had! The Sparkling Starts we have received have made us smile so thank you for encouraging your children with their home learning. It is such a short term anyway but is clearly going to fly by with all that we want to pack in. We have had two lovely new members of staff join us this week - Miss Sophie Cox and Mrs Linzi Claridge- both working as Teaching Assistants in Year 3. Please look out for them and say hello.

And finally, congratulations to Grace, Year 4 and the School Council for organising such a successful cake sale in aid of the Little Princess Trust, a charity close to our community's heart especially at the moment. It just goes to show the difference one person's action can make and how everyone willingly rallies round when asked to do so. We are all so proud. Have a lovely weekend; a good time for snowdrop spotting!

**Deborah Wood**

### This week's Crown Values Certificates awarded to:

Year R Cherry: Lily-Mae

Year 1 Oak: Mia

Year 2 Ash: William

Year 3 Lime: Sam

Year 4 Maple: Grace

Year 5 Sycamore: Preston

Year 6 Cedar: Mason



### Attendance Total 96.5%

YR Cherry 96.8%

Y1 Oak 95.1%

Y2 Ash 98.3%

Y3 Lime 97.1%

Y4 Maple 94.9%

Y5 Sycamore 96.5%

Y6 Cedar 97.2%



### Reading Certificates

#### These children have reached their next Reading 25s Certificate:

Archie, Finley, Kallum, Madison, Jessica, Gracie, Aiden, Marieanne, Ethan, Thomas, Liam, Ella-Mae, Brody, George, Dean, Isaac, Ben, Ebony, Harvey, William, Jessica, Carson, Aaliyha, George, Megan, Peter, Hannah, Elliot, Shemaiah, Caitlyn, Jack, Dylan, Harry, Edie, William, Ivey, Eleanor, Beatrice



### Multiplication Masters

William, Freya-Jo



### Key Stage 2 SATs

Just a reminder to you that the KS2 SATs week which affects our Year 6 is the week beginning 14<sup>th</sup> May this year. The Parents' Meeting to explain the test process will be on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March 5-6pm.

### School Attendance

Just a reminder that it is really important that your child attends school as often as they possibly can. The way that we teach means that if a few days are missed, then gaps appear. And because of the high expectations set by the government, even the children who are in school nearly all of the time often need post-teaching sessions with teaching assistants in order to keep up.

Thank you to those of you who have sent your children back as soon as possible after bouts of illness. If they are in, even if not firing on all cylinders, we can teach them (albeit gently).

### Holiday Requests

We are not allowed to authorise holidays in school time. If you put in a request (which should be in writing and in advance) unless it is exceptional circumstances, the absence will be recorded as unauthorised. If the request is for over five days, we are duty bound to ask the Local Authority to issue a fixed penalty fine. For more detail please see our Attendance Policy on the school website.



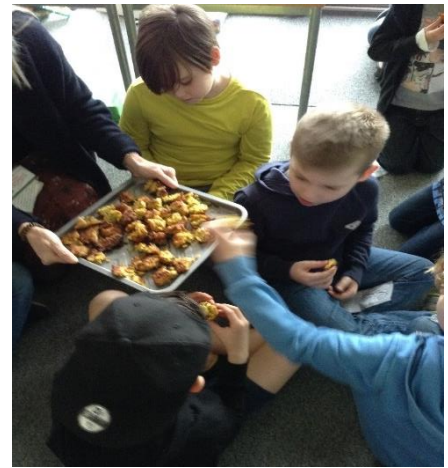
### Passage to India

Year 3 and 4 have landed in India ready for their new topic 'What is life like in India?'

The children had a bag security check before boarding, flew over world landmarks and enjoyed Indian snacks when they landed.



What a sparkling start!



*Little Princess Trust*

A charity to provide real hair wigs for children suffering hair loss



Grace from year 4 has been raising money for the Little Princess Trust, a charity who makes wigs for children suffering with hair loss, by having her hair cut shorter.

Grace and the school council held a cake sale after school on Thursday 22nd February. They raised a huge £160.10. In total she has raised over £400 to date.

You can still donate by going onto the Just Giving page and search for Grace Strickland.



### Hair yesterday, gone today

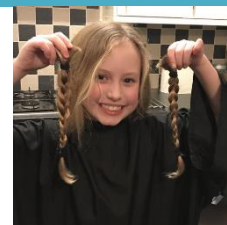
The Little Princess Trust will be able to use this donated hair to make wigs for children who have undergone chemotherapy. It has been a long time growing but very quick to be cut off!

A mention to the Hinchliffes who also regularly donate their hair.

Well done



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### Parents Evening Bookings

The dates for parents' evenings are listed at the top of the newsletter. Bookings will be going live on the dates below. Parents/carers will receive a text message notifying them of this at the time.

Y1: **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February 5pm**

R, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5: **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 5pm**

### Facebook

Social media can be a really supportive platform on which to share good news, ask questions, clarify information and to develop friendships. We use Twitter as a way to celebrate our achievements. However, from time to time, we hear through the grapevine that someone has posted a 'moan' about something that has happened at school. Please, please could we urge you to come in to talk to us about any concerns you have so that we can have the chance to put things right. We are all on the same team and all want the best for each of our children.



### World Book Day 2018 - Friday 2nd March

To celebrate this year's World Book Day, we are inviting children to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. If possible, please send your child with that book too. On the day, children will enjoy activities related to their current class story as well as a House reading event, where they can share the book they've brought in from home. We look forward to seeing the creative costumes on show! Ideas can be found here: <http://www.worldbookday.com/dressing-up/http://www.bookaid.org/support-us/world-book-day/world-book-day-dress-up>

**Five £5 book fair vouchers, which can be spent at our Book Fair next week, will be awarded to the best dressed children. One winner will be selected from: EYFS; Years 1 and 2; Years 3 and 4; Years 5 and 6. Judged by the House Captains. There will also be one additional voucher judged by the teachers.**

Many thanks.

### Free Plants for Eco Club

Mrs Hodds has managed to procure free plants for our award winning vegetable garden. She will be stocking up on delicious and nutritious plants this spring. We hope you and your children enjoy watching the patches spring in to life and observing how the fruit and vegetables grow over time. We will certainly be keeping a regular watch and waiting for the highly popular plant and food sales.....





*“Reading is breathing in, writing is breathing out”*

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
EYFS						
Year 1						
Year 2						
Year 3						
Year 4						
Year 5						
Year 6						