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Friday Flier



Whole School Marwell Trip Next Week

A reminder that we would like the children to arrive early on the day of their trip. Doors will be open from 8.30am for children going on the trip that day. This will allow us to get the children all toileted and on the coach **ready to leave at 9.00am**. Please arrive before this time. Children in Breakfast club will be taken down to their class early. The children will be walking for a considerable part of the day and we recommend they wear sensible walking shoes and their school jumper. However, they are able to wear suitable non-school uniform below their jumper e.g. jeans/leggings or tracksuit/jogging bottoms. Please make sure that they are dressed appropriately whatever the weather e.g. **think coat, hat and scarf** if it is cold or a waterproof coat if it is raining.

The children should not bring any money or cameras. If your child suffers from travel sickness please give him/her a tablet (if you usually do this) at the beginning of the day. Any tablet that is required to be taken for the return trip should be given to your child's class teacher in the original packaging together with a letter of authorisation. Please indicate in the letter the time at which the tablet should be given.

Trip Payment

Thank you to everyone who has made a voluntary contribution for this whole school trip. Without the majority of our parents paying, we are unable to provide enrichment trips for the children in the future which would be such a shame. If you have signed a consent form and have indicated that you will be paying at a later date, please can you do so. Thank you.

Help Wanted for Year R Trip: Wednesday 16 February

Year R are in desperate need of parent helpers for their trip on Wednesday 16 February. If any volunteers from other classes would be willing to come along, it would be much appreciated. Please speak to your child's teacher or message them on Seesaw if you are able to help. Thank you.

Year 1 Extravaganza: Thursday 17 February

Year 1 are very excited to invite you to an exhibition of our work completed during the last half term including a special feature - Which creature has the sharpest teeth? School will be open at 2:30pm on Thursday 17 February for Year 1 parents to visit their child's classroom. **In order to keep everyone safe, we are asking that parents wear a face covering for this meeting unless you are medically exempt.**

Year R Gruffalo Trail: Friday 18 February

Year R would like to invite all parents to an after-school Gruffalo trail in the forest with their children. Please collect your children at 3:15pm as normal, and from 3:20pm parents will be invited to walk the trail and hunt for clues to solve our Gruffalo mystery.

Reminder: Break the Rules Day: Friday 18 February

A reminder that this event will be taking place next Friday. Please click on the link to remind you of the rules that can be broken [Break the Rules Day Poster](#)

World Book Day- Thursday 03 March

Our theme for Book Week this year will be "You Are a Reader". We will be promoting the idea of children reading for pleasure not just on World Book Day but all-year round. We are inviting children to come in dressed as their favourite book character on Thursday 03 March. Please note that this does not need to involve spending lots of money on a costume. There are lots of creative ideas for making your own costumes at home on the following link: [Dressing up Ideas](#). We would also love for your children to bring in their favourite story to share with a child from another year group. Please can we ask that this is sent in your child's book bag and labelled with your child's name and class. We will be doing lots of other fun and exciting activities such as a 'teacher swap' where the teachers will enjoy sharing a story with another class.

William Grill Author and Illustrator Visit- Wednesday 16 March

Apologies but there was a slight misprint on last week's Friday Flier. William Grill will be visiting our school on Wednesday 16 March. William Grill's first book Shackleton's Journey won the 2015 Kate Greenaway award which has been translated into over 14 languages!

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He will introduce himself, share and sign copies of his books in front of the children, we will then keep these copies in school for the children to look at after his visit. William will then provide workshops throughout the day with each class and show them examples of his storyboards and some live art. Whilst we are aware that William Grill's books are pitched towards KS2 readers, the aim of this day is to inspire the children that anything is possible. We want to encourage children to not only be readers but writers and artists too!

William Grill will be available after school from 3.15pm-4pm where you can meet him and he will sign a copy of your own book for you. Please note he will not be selling his books on this day. You can purchase some of his books from Amazon such as: Shackleton's Journey, The Wolves of Currumpaw, Bandoola: The Great Elephant Rescue.

Dogs on School Site

We have been notified that some parents are bringing dogs into school when they are dropping off and collecting your children. Please can I remind you that dogs should not be brought onto the school site. Thank you.

Term Dates

We have today sent out a list of **planned dates** for your diary. We will try to keep to these dates but sometimes it is necessary to make changes due to circumstances that are beyond our control. Where a change has to be made, we will always try to give you as much notice as possible. These dates are intended to highlight forthcoming events and further information will be relayed nearer the time, if necessary.

Wanted Socks

We are desperately short of socks for both boys and girls in all ages. If you have any that your child has outgrown, these would be gratefully received. Thank you.

Busy Bees

These children received their Busy Bee Stamp this week and this was celebrated in a year group assembly:

Year R: Ava Kendall, Teddy Martin, Dolly Martin-Tyler, Dulcie-Mae Peel, Peggy Redman and Jesse Wenman. **Year 1:** Harry Boyes, Ethan Pearson, Erin Sugrue and Ashton Surry. **Year 2:** Thea Andrews, Elsie Goddard, Abigail Hanscombe, Bobby Hughes and Cusin Joseph.

Ruby Chadwick has finished her busy bee certificates and has received a Busy Bee Motif which can be sewed onto her jumpers/cardigans.

Class Reading Challenge: Raffle Winners

I am delighted to let you know that the class winners of this week's raffle were:

- Robins' Class
- Woodpeckers' Class
- Kestrels' Class

Reporting Absence

A reminder that as well as telephoning the school, you can also report your child's absence via a company called **Studybugs** which enables you to go online via a phone or computer to report your child's absence securely. To get the free Studybugs app, or register on their website go to (<https://studybugs.com/about/parents>). If your child is unwell it is your responsibility to inform the school of this.

Forest School Sessions:

Timetable for this half term was sent out half last term. Paper copies are on the notice boards by the North Door and the South Door. You are also able to check the timetable by clicking the following link: [Spring A Timetable](#).

Lunch Menu

Next week's menu will be: Week 2. Please click on the following link to access the menu online: [menu](#). Paper copies are on the notice boards by the North Door and the South Door and in Wagtails' Class window.

School closes next Friday, 18 February at 3.15pm and at 6.00pm for children attending Beehive for the half term break. The school will reopen on Monday 28 February. **There is NO INSET DAY.**

Yours sincerely



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Headteacher