



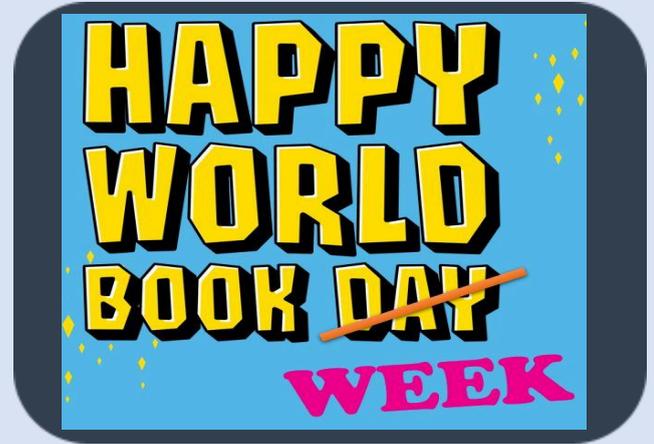
Friday 1st March 2024

Headteacher's Message

We have had a busy week preparing some fantastic activities in preparation for next next week's Book Week. I'm particularly looking forward to seeing some of the extreme reading pictures.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed ideas to the travel plan. I will collate all the information and inform you of the next steps.

Enjoy your weekends.



Extreme Reading Challenge

During World Book Week, starting on Monday, we are hosting a challenge for all children called 'Extreme Reading'. We would like children to get a photo of themselves reading in unusual and out-of-the-ordinary places. Being in an unusual place or position can make reading more exciting. If children are interested and engaged in reading, they will be more likely to develop their literacy skills.

Extreme reading ideas:

- In a museum, art gallery, or shopping centre
- On a trampoline
- In the wardrobe
- On a swing
- With a pet/animal
- In the garden shed
- At the top of a hill
- Halfway up the stairs!

The more creative – the better! Children can send in their images of extreme reading via Seesaw **from today** and the class teachers will share and celebrate these during the week to develop reading for pleasure even further. All of the pictures will be added to what we hope will be a fantastic display in class of our children reading in a whole host of weird and wonderful places. Thank you for your support.



Reception

To support our topic in Beliefs and Values on Special places we visited St Matthews Church. The children really enjoyed their visit and asked some fantastic questions to Reverend Job. They were also very well behaved and enjoyed going on a visit outside of school in the local area.



Year 3

In PE, we have been creating dance movements to the theme of a trip to the seaside, circus and many more examples which show our creativity. To do these we had to remember, repeat and create actions to represent an idea that shows a location.



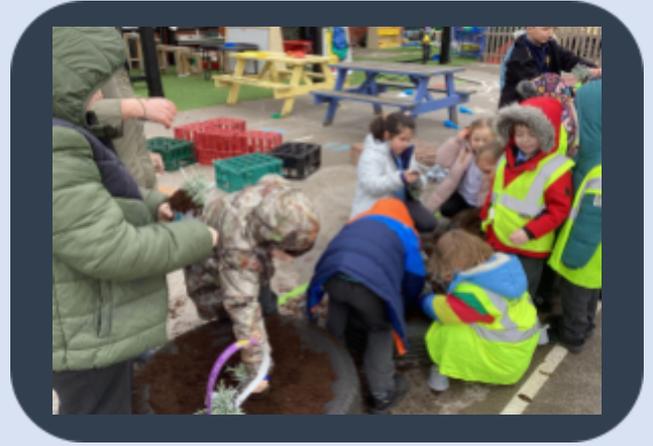
Year 5

This week, Year 5 thoroughly enjoyed a fieldwork trip to the local park as part of our geography topic. They observed, measured and recorded both human and physical features. In addition, they interviewed members of the public to gain a deeper understanding of how the woodland area is used.



Message from Miss Cresswell

A big thank you to our Eco Warriors, Hannah Matthews and Mr Ellis who have done a great job planting spring plants and flowers in our EYFS playground. Our Nursery and Reception children will enjoy caring for the plants and watching them grow!



Football Tournament

Well done to some of our Year 4 and 5 children who took part in an inter-school football competition this week at Stockport Academy. We were extremely proud of their team work, resilience and respect for each other and the other teams. A special mention to our wonderful girls' team who were narrowly beaten in the grand final. We are looking forward to more sporting opportunities in the near future. Well done, Alex Park.



Year 4

We had a great trip to Chester, learning all about the Romans. The children enrolled as a Roman soldier, took part in a Roman workshop and had the opportunity to explore Grosvenor Museum. It was lovely to see how curious and enthusiastic the children were, asking lots of questions to expand their knowledge.



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APPA Valentine Family Disco

We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who attended the Valentine family disco. The event was a huge success! As you can see, everybody had an amazing time and we also raised nearly £300 for school! The APPA are currently working with school to create a sensory garden and also to improve our Alex Wood area and this would not be possible without you supporting events like these.

It would also not be possible without the time and dedication of the APPA team so a huge thank you to all involved!



Lost Property Collection - Next Friday

We have noticed there is a significant build up of lost property - all of which I am sure would be gratefully reclaimed. Next Friday, after school, we will be organising and displaying all of the lost property by age and item in the canteen. Please stop by and see if any of the items belong to you. Thank you.



Star of the Week

It was an absolute pleasure, as always, to talk to our 'Stars' this week. We talked about their favourite subjects and what they like about coming to school. Maths came out as a firm favourite but there was a good mix of other subjects too. It was also good to hear that they all felt happy and safe in school.

A huge well done to all this week's winners!



Important dates

Author visit and Vocabulary Dress-Up Day	Friday 8th March 2024
Parents' Evening	Wednesday 13th March and Thursday 14th March
Comic Relief Cake and Coffee event	Friday 15th March
End of spring 2 term	Thursday 28th March 2024



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