



Sport relief

Sport relief is inspiring the nation to raise money and take on some of the world's problems through the power of sport.

This year we would like to raise some money for Sport relief by getting our kit on. We are aware that we have already done some fundraising this half term so we will be collecting donations rather than suggesting an amount.

On **Friday 13th March** please send your child to school in their **sports kit** with a **water bottle**. We are going to spend the day taking part in a variety of physical and healthy eating activities including Little Wickets cricket, dance, mindfulness and yoga, and food tasting.



Dates to remember

Thurs 5 th March	World Book day-information to follow
24 th /25 th March	Parents evenings
Fri 13 th Mar	Sports relief
Tues 31 st Mar	Maths workshop
Fri 3 rd April	Class photos
Fri 3 rd April	School disco
Fri 3 rd April	Break up for Easter
Mon 20 th April	Back to school
Thu 23 rd April	NSPCC Speak out stay safe assembly
Fri 8 th May	Bank holiday
Mon 25 th -Fri 29 th May	Half term

Handwashing

Good hand washing is the first line of defence against the spread of many illnesses - from the common cold to more serious infections. We have been talking to the children about the spread of germs, the importance of handwashing and the best way to do it. Often the children will dabble their hands under the tap, or put soap on and rinse it straight off. We have talked to the children about singing a short song, while they rub the soap on their hands...

**Wash, wash, wash your hands
Thumbs and fingers too
Rub a dub, rub a dub
That's the thing to do**

(to the tune of Row, row, row your boat'). It will help good handwashing become a habit if we all work on it together.



Attitudes to Learning

This half term our focus is on....

Determination

We will be encouraging the children to go that extra mile, know their goals and go for them and have the courage to share opinions and ask questions.

What might this look like in the classroom?

- On task and not get distracted
- Stretch myself to the limit
- Continue with a task until complete
- Use feedback as a positive
- Contribute in lessons
- Challenge my peers
- Work with others to improve our work
- Say what needs to be improved

Certificates for 'Determination' will be given out in assemblies.

Sing along to the tune of 'Row, Row, Row Your Boat'



What did you enjoy most last half term?



Reception

We really enjoyed bike-ability and learning how to control a balance bike. We also loved retelling traditional tales and becoming the characters from the stories. Willow class particularly enjoyed Chinese New Year.

Year 1

Year 1 were very enthusiastic about celebrating World Maths Day on Friday 7th February. They enjoyed lots of problem solving challenges working as teams to beat the clock.

In our topic lessons we continued to learn about the seasons. We are now in winter and were lucky enough to get outside on one frosty morning to experience the wintry weather. We have been learning about the signs of winter and hibernation and migration.

Tuesday's puzzle club has proved very popular. Our favourite puzzle challenge so far has been to work as a group to create a huge Numicon carpet jigsaw.



Fundraising Thank you for all your support with Fundraising. Money has already started coming in for the Maths Challenge. We have had a trial of a new Smartboard in school and are waiting for the company to come and look at the installation as they are significantly larger than our existing boards. We have also purchased some new reading books to support the way we teach phonics. Miss Justice has sent home a new plastic wallet to keep the books safe and a leaflet on the best way to use the books. If you require any support with strategies for reading with your child please see the class teacher.

Maths parents workshop



On Tuesday 31st March there will be a Maths workshop where we will show parents how we teach Maths in school. Mrs Hindmarsh will be sending out a separate letter so keep your eyes peeled.

Rainforest habitat



At the rainforest it rains a lot and some monkeys can be **camouflage with** trees. monkeys have long arms so they can swing across trees. The biggest rainforest is the Amazon rainforest and it is in south America and in the rainforest it provides 20percent of oxygen.

Year 2

Year 2 had a very busy half term learning about all sorts of different animal types and finding out where they live. After asking the children what they enjoyed most about their learning they were in agreement that they enjoyed creating their word document all about their favourite habitat.

School disco



Friday April 3rd.

Reception 4.30-5.15pm
Key stage 1 5.30-6.30pm

Tickets £1.50. Please pay at the school office.

Thank you to Tom Styles for volunteering to be our DJ.