



Weekly Newsletter  
3<sup>rd</sup> March 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have had a very exciting week and really enjoyed celebrating World Book Day yesterday. I couldn't quite believe the range of costumes that the children wore and how much effort have gone in to making sure they looked so realistic. I certainly enjoyed being the Grand High Witch for the day! It was lovely to be able to share such a wide range of reading books with the children and to find out about their favourite characters.

This week we held our first Celebration Assembly and it was very well attended by parents, grandparents and other family members. Thank you for supporting our children's achievements. As a working mum I know how difficult it can be to juggle work and celebrating your children's achievements so thank you for attending our events wherever possible. Thank you also to the children who brought in certificates celebrating the activities they do outside of school. I look forward to seeing more of these in the future.

Our Behaviours for Learning are:

- Listening to learn
- Being kind and polite and showing good manners
- Being equipped to learn
- Putting in 100% effort

Next week we will be introducing our new Lunchtime Awards, celebrating good manners and respectful behaviour over our lunchtime period. If your child is to receive an award, we will contact you so that you have the opportunity to join us in our celebrations, but remember to keep it a surprise!

A reminder for parents of children in Years 2 and 6 – there will be SATs information sessions next week. Please see the diary Dates below for more details. Please enter school through the Hall Door and we will meet in Class Two for each session.

Thank you,

Kerry Whitham

## Diary Dates

### March

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> – 3pm - Y2 SATs briefing for parents  
Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> - 3pm – Y6 SATs briefing for parents  
Friday 10<sup>th</sup> – 9:05am - Celebration Assembly – parents welcome  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> – 9:05am - Celebration Assembly – parents welcome  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> – Bag2School textile collection  
Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> – 3:40pm – 6:30pm – Parents’ consultation evening (more details to follow)  
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> – Red Nose Day – Non-uniform day – ‘Wear something red’ - £1 donation  
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> – 9:05am - Celebration Assembly – parents welcome  
Friday 31<sup>st</sup> – 9:05am - Celebration Assembly – parents welcome  
Friday 31<sup>st</sup> – End of term 4 – school closes at 3:30pm

### April

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> – start of term 5 – school reopens for children and staff

## Messages from the School Office

**School Office** - Please note that the school office and telephone is staffed between 8.45am and 3.45pm. An answerphone service operates outside these hours. If your child is ill or unable to attend school, then please let Mrs Blackburn know by 9:30am.

**Leave of absence** - If you need to take your child out of school (other than medical appointments), please complete a Leave of Absence Form (available from the school office). If the absence request is for a holiday, evidence of it being an ‘exceptional circumstance’ **must be submitted with the request**. Please return forms with a minimum of six weeks notice.

**Appointments** – If your child needs to attend an appointment for doctor, dentist, opticians or hospital during school time – I would be grateful if you could bring in the appointment card/letter.