

Spring Term 2020

Newsletter 2 - 27/02/2020

HERE'S THE NEWS

World Book Day
Thursday 5th March

Staff and children can come to school dressed up as a character from their favourite book or poem. World Book Vouchers will also be given out to use at retail outlets or at our Book Fair which takes place from

Friday 13th March - Thursday 19th MARCH



The visit to the theatre was a great success and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the Sound of Music performance. The children were immaculately behaved and we were so proud to receive several lovely messages from other theatre goers praising our children for their exemplary behaviour and lovely manners.



Sports Relief Day - 13th March

Children can wear their sporty clothes for school and pay £1.00 to help with our fund raising efforts.

Lots of fun sporting activities have been organised for the day including :

a whole school warm up - running the Sport Relief Mile - Dancing activities



Welcome back after the half term holiday and we all hope you enjoyed the break. Unfortunately the start of the week was obviously disrupted by the weather but with the support of all our parents/carers there were no hiccups to deal with. Due to the circumstances Monday will be classified as an enforced closure and therefore your child's attendance data will not be affected.

Public Health England Advice regarding the Coronavirus:

We have received information from Public Health England regarding the Coronavirus and you will find attached some guidance from the NHS – the advice is very much the same as for any virus, such as the flu, about protecting yourself and others and preventing the spread of a virus.

You will be able access further information by visiting: www.gov.uk/coronavirus.




School Lock Down Procedures:

I am sure you will be aware that it is good practice for all schools to have emergency procedures in place to cover various risks, for example, fire evacuation, which we regularly practise.

One, albeit unlikely, risk that we need to prepare for, is a potential local incident which would require us to safely secure all our pupils within school for a period of time, as directed by the emergency services. This is known as a “lock down”, and is something you may well have heard talked about in the media.

The lock down procedures has two levels of action – firstly to ensure that everyone on site is secure and safe within the school building and secondly to ensure that everyone is secure and safe within an area inside school as directed by staff. We have already allowed the children to hear the sound of the ‘lock down’ alarm and over the coming weeks we will carry out a drill to ensure that our procedures are adequate.

‘Dates for the Diary’ : if you need any further details please get in touch.

February 2020	
Friday 28 th February	9.00a.m. Year 3 Assembly followed by refreshments
March 2020	
Monday 2 nd and Tuesday 3 rd	2.00 – 3.00p.m. Reception World Book day event - Reception parents/carers invited into school for story reading session
Wednesday 4 th March	AM - Year 4 Martial Arts Festival – Spennymoor Leisure Centre - further details to be sent our Monday 2 nd March
Wednesday 4 th , 11 th , 18 th and 25 th	Football league fixtures at St. John’s School Bishop Auckland – further details to be sent out for those children taking part.
Thursday 5 th	PM - Year 3 and Year 4 visit to Shildon Library
Thursday 5 th	World Book Day – see above
Friday 6 th	9.00a.m. Year 1 Assembly followed by refreshments
Friday 6 th	AM Year 5 and PM Year 6 visit to Shildon Library
 Friday 13 th to Thursday 19 th	Book Fair in School – you are welcome to visit the fair in the Large Hall every afternoon from 3.15 until 3.30 to browse through the collection.
Friday 13 th	Sports Relief – see above
Friday 20 th	10.30pm – 11.30pm – Nursery morning children Mother’s Day Party 2.00pm – 3.00pm – Nursery afternoon children Mother’s Day Party Nursery all day children - Parents/Carers may attend either session.
Friday 20 th	Reception Assembly followed by refreshments
Monday 23 rd	1.30pm – 3.00pm – Reception Mother’s Day Party
April 2020	
Friday 3 rd	9.00a.m. Year 2 Assembly followed by refreshments
Friday 3 rd	School Closes for the Easter holidays
Monday 20 th	School Re-opens

