

Friday 6 March 2020

### Year 1

This week was Book Week in Year 1. We have taken part in so many exciting activities. We have shared books with children from Key Stage 2, we made bookmarks and took loads of opportunities to drop everything and read! On Thursday, so many children dressed up as book characters. We had a lot of princesses and Superheroes, if we looked carefully there was even a shark!



### Year 2



This term in Science, Year 2 are learning about the life cycles of plants and the different stages of germination. They have begun to discuss the things a seed needs to grow into a healthy plant and have started to grow their own

plant by putting bean seeds in a cup with tissue. Year 2 will observe the growth of their plants over the next few weeks.

### Year 3



This week, during music lessons, Year 3 practised their 1920's Melody Big Sing altogether...with a twist! All the children were dressed up as their favourite book characters whilst singing and dancing along to the Charleston of the Roaring Twenties.

### Year 4

Year 4 have been having lots of fun celebrating World Book Day this week. They each carefully picked a book to share with Key Stage 1 pupils, they enjoyed writing their own poetry and on World Book Day itself, they came to school dressed as their favourite book character!



### Year 5

Last week, Year 5 got their hands on rare samples of moon rocks and meteorites. Students were given the opportunity to actually touch a piece of space rock and touched a fossil that was 65 million years old! These rare samples were provided free of charge by the UK' Science and Technology Facilities Council.



### Year 6



This term, Year 6 are learning about Trade and Economics in Geography. They enjoyed a lesson learning about the UK's trade links

and the different products imported from El Salvador to the UK. They were all engaged in discussions about the country's climate and landscape, using atlases.



## KS1 Reading



What a lovely week we have had reading celebrating book week! Classes decorated their doors, children stopped dropped to read and everyone dressed up in their book character costumes on World Book Day. On Tuesday, each class in KS1 was paired with a class in KS2. Children chose a book which they wanted to read to their younger reader. Children practised their reading skills and shared their enjoyment of

reading. Children in 3 Willow then created bookmarks for their partner reader in 1 Sapphire to remind them of this exciting experience during book week.

## KS2 Reading

The children have really enjoyed Book Week, where they celebrated stories and showed their love for reading. Children were engaged in many exciting reading activities throughout the week: class visits, class swaps, World Book Day, creating reviews and many more activities. Well done to all children who came to school with their favourite book or who dressed up as their favourite character, thank you for your support and for the great effort in creating costumes.



## Extreme Reading Challenge

Thank you also for your Extreme reading challenge photos. Winners will be announced in due course. All entries will be displayed in the Foyer for parents to view and enjoy!

## Department for Education Coronavirus helpline

The DfE launched a new helpline to answer questions about COVID-19 related to education. Staff, parents and young people can contact the helpline as follows:

Phone: 0800 046 8687

Email:

[DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk](mailto:DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk)

## Inclusion

**Is your child struggling at school?  
Do you think they may need additional help or support?  
Want to find out more about how to get them the help they need?**

Come to our free training day for parents and carers on: An introduction to: Special education needs and disability (SEND)

Date: 1 April 2020 - 10am to 3.15pm  
Venue: St. John's Church, Broadway, Stratford, London E15 1NG.

How to book: Fill in this online form or visit: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/IPSEA-London-010420>

More information:

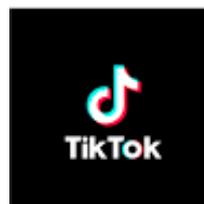
- Refreshments will be provided
- Places are only available to those on benefits
- Places are strictly limited so please book as soon as you can

Here's what we'll cover on the training:  
Introduction to SEND Law training.

## Online Safety

TikTok

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/technology-51742854>



TikTok is in the news again this week. The BBC is warning against a TikTok challenge. TikTok is reminding users not to imitate or encourage public participation in dangerous stunts and/or risky behaviour that could lead to serious injury or death. Whilst some TikTok challenges involve singing or dancing, there is one in particular that has resulted in serious injury. The skull-breaker challenge involves two people kicking the legs from under a third, causing them to fall over. Two young people have been charged with aggravated assault. There are a number of other challenges that are unsafe. But there are also many fun challenges. So if your children are using TikTok ensure you are monitoring their use. Find out about the videos they watch and the challenges they are interested in.

Dates for your diary		
All Day	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> - 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Sports Relief Week
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All day	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Y4 trip - STEVE Mc QUEEN PROJECT - Tate Britain
7:00pm	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	DSA - Comedy Night It is going to be brilliant! Professional Comedians. Watch this space!
10.00 - 11.00 am	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Y4 - Shakespeare Touring Production
3:40pm -5:00pm	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents' Evening
3:40pm -7:05pm	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents' Evening
1:45pm onwards	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Mother's Day Assemblies 1:45 pm Reception 2:05 pm Year 1 and 2 2:35 pm Year 3 and 4 2:55 pm Year 5 and 6
9:15 am	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Year 6 Open Classrooms Year 6 parents are welcome to visit their child's class and share in their learning.
9:15 am	Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 Open Classrooms Year 4 parents are welcome to visit their child's class and share in their learning.
9:15 am	Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 Open Classrooms Year 1 parents are welcome to visit their child's class and share in their learning.
9:15 am	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 5 Open Classrooms Year 5 parents are welcome to visit their child's class and share in their learning.
9:30 am	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Whole School Assembly at St Mary's Church. This is not a parent event. Parent volunteers are welcome. Please leave your name at the office so that Mrs Nicholas can
All day	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Y3 trip - Kew Gardens

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