

Weekly Newsletter

What a busy fun filled week we have had celebrating World Book Week!

Each class has been focusing on a particular book this week:

Kindergarten, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2: Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak.

Year 3 and Year 4: The Iron Man by Ted Hughes.

Year 5 and 6: Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo

On Tuesday afternoon we welcomed West End in School's again who kindly delivered some wonderful dance workshops on the books the classes are reading this week. The children had a great time.

Wednesday saw our group reading sessions happening all around the school, including outside! Support staff got involved and even Jane, our chef read Stickman to Reception and Y1, bringing along her own creation of the character! In the afternoon we had our book swap and all children were lucky enough to take home a new book – thank you for donating books to allow this to happen.

Finally Friday was dress up day and as you will see much fun was had and we had some truly marvellous costumes!



Tuesday 5th March was an opportunity for our budding musicians to take to the stage for the individual music recital. The standard was extremely high with many grade 3 and 4 players and singers, as well as some excellent beginners. It was also good to see the children listening carefully and being so encouraging to one another.

The Farmer's Market held their annual Pancake event and children from both Y6 and Reception went along and took part. We received lovely feedback from the organisers about how well behaved and polite the children were and how impressed they were how the older girls looked after the younger children.



Wednesday 6th March was a busy day for sport. The U11/U10 netballers put in a strong performance this week to win their match against Derwent Lodge (Somerhill) 7-3 to Fosse. Minty was voted player of the match, but most improved player was Bella who showed great awareness and determination on court. Well played everyone!

At the same time the U11/10 Rugby Team had a home fixture against Solefield School. Some excellent defence from both sides, coupled with superb support play in attack led to a very competitive game, finishing 6 tries all.

Thursday 7th March saw another two home matches. The U8/9 netball team had an excellent match against the Mead School yesterday. Clarissa was the team captain and the girls played extremely well, it is clear that their passing and shooting skills have really improved this term! The final score was 4-2 to Fosse! The girls should be very proud of their fantastic teamwork and Annabelle was voted as player of the match by the Mead girls.

Our U9 Tag Rugby team played a good game, but a strong Mead side won the match with better distribution of the ball and strong running, something our boys can work on. Our U8s played fantastically, but again came out on the losing side to a Mead team who were able to bring on fresh legs throughout the game. Well played to all the boys.

Do remember that the Fosse Association Quiz night is Friday 15th March. Tickets cost £10 per person and teams should consist of no more than 8 people. Sign-up sheets are on the conservatory noticeboard and class reps can be contacted for help with forming teams. There will be a cash bar and teams are being encouraged to bring along their own food (picnic baskets, cheeseboards, snacks or puddings or even a cheeky takeaway!) Ticket payments need to be sent to the Fosse Association bank account (A/C No: 82037353 Sort Code: 60-21-28)

Well done to some pupils from Y6 who held a cake sale on **Friday the 8th March** raising money for Water Aid. It was lovely to see so many parents stopping to have a drink and chat whilst admiring all the costumes in the playground. Well done boys.



There are still some Phoenix and Breakfast Club payments outstanding and the deadline for payment was today. Please log into ParentMail and action this payment by Monday at the latest. Please do remember that childcare vouchers can be used for Breakfast / Phoenix club and after school clubs but not trips. If you wish to use vouchers please let Miss Greener know in the office and she can update ParentMail accordingly.

I am pleased to say that the new system with regards to children leaving an entering the building has been very successful this week and we thank you for help regarding this. Moving forward can we please ask that Y3 upwards enter the building alone and parents refrain from coming in and putting items on their pegs etc. as we are trying to increase the children's independence and make them more responsible for their belongings.

The booking system for Holiday Club has now closed. If you have inadvertently missed the window please let the office know your requirements by Monday lunchtime as we will then be arranging the necessary staffing for the club.

Have you borrowed some clothing for Forest School? If you find you still have some of this at home please can you return it to the school ASAP as our stocks are now severely depleted? If you have any items that you are no longer using and would like to donate them to the school for Forest School then do please drop these into the office where they will be gladly received.

Finally one year 4 pupil came in today and said that school is like 'a book come to life' today. This fits so well with the handwriting practise poem written by Julia Donaldson that Y4 have been using:

I opened a book and in I strode
Now nobody can find me.
I've left my chair, my house, my road,
My town and my world behind me.
I'm wearing the cloak, I've slipped on the ring,
I've swallowed the magic potion.
I've fought with a dragon, dined with a king
And dived in a bottomless ocean.
I opened a book and made some friends.
I shared their tears and laughter
And followed their road with its bumps and bends
To the happily ever after.
I finished my book and out I came.
The cloak can no longer hide me.
My chair and my house are just the same,
But I have a book inside me.

This is what we want for your children: all those books in which they can become lost for a while.

Best wishes

Alison Cordingley
Headmistress

Diary Dates for the future

11 th - 15 th March	Open Week	
Tuesday 12 th March	Reception & Y1 trip to Eagle Heights	9.30pm – 3.00pm
Tuesday 12 th March	Y5/6 to Tate Modern	9.00am – 3.00pm
Friday 15 th March	Y4 to Tate Modern	9.00am – 3.00pm
Wednesday 13 th March	Tag rugby v Somerhill (home)	2.00pm – 4.30pm
Thursday 14 th March	House meetings	9.00am
Thursday 14 th March	U8/9 Netball v Hilden Oaks (away)	2.00pm – 4.30pm
Friday 15 th March	Celebration assembly – Y5	1.20pm
Friday 15 th March	Comic Relief	
Friday 15 th March	Y3 trip to Buckingham Palace	9.00am – 3.30pm
Friday 15 th March	Fosse Association Quiz Night	7.30pm
Monday 18 th March	Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Swimming Gala	9.00am – 12.00pm
Friday 20 th March	U11/10 Netball v Russell House (away)	2.00pm – 4.30pm
Friday 20 th March	U11/10 Tag Rugby v Hilden Oaks (home)	2.30pm – 4.00pm
Thursday 21 st March	Reception Class assembly (parents invited)	9.00am
Thursday 21 st March	U9/8 Tag Rugby v Hilden Oaks (home)	2.30pm – 4.00pm
Thursday 21 st March	E-safety and Art Project Information evening for parents	6.30pm -7.30pm
Friday 22 nd March	Y5 Trip to the Science Museum	
Friday 22 nd March	Celebration assembly	1.20pm
Monday 25 th March	Fairtrade fortnight starts	
Tuesday 26 th March	Spring Concert	6.30pm
Wednesday 27 th March	Sports Assembly	1.20pm – 2.20pm
Wednesday 27 th March	Parents Evening	4.00pm – 7.30pm
Thursday 28 th March	Easter Service at the church	9.00am
Friday 29 th March	Celebration assembly	
Friday 29 th March	Term 4 ends	
Friday 29 th March	Fosse Association – Easter Activities	
1 st – 18 th April	Fosse Holiday club	
23 rd April	Inset day (staff training)	
24 th April	Term 5 starts	
Thursday 2 nd May	Y3/4 Living Lands at Detling	9.00am – 3.30pm
Friday 3 rd May	Y6 Bikeability	9.00am – 3.30pm
Tuesday 7 th May	Y6 Bikeability	9.00am – 3.30pm
Tuesday 7 th May	Y1 Chiddingstone Castle Literacy Festival	9.00am – 3.30pm
Wednesday 8 th May	Y6 Bikeability	9.00am – 3.30pm
Wednesday 8 th May	Y2 Habitat trip to Ightham Mote	9.00am – 3.30pm
Thursday 16 th May	Poetry Recital	9.00am – 10.00am
20 th – 24 th May	Y5/6 French trip	
10 th – 14 th June	Inca assessment week	
Tuesday 11 th June	Individual music concert	9.00am – 10.00am
Wednesday 12 th June	Y2 Homefront trip to Ightham Mote	9.00am – 3.30pm
Wednesday 19 th June	Class and Sports Team photos	
Friday 21 st June	Y2-5 Kidenza Concert	1.00pm – 3.30pm
Wednesday 26 th June	Sports Day	9.30am – 3.00pm
Friday 28 th June	Campover and Summer Fair ‘Fossetival)	
Monday 1 st July	School production dress rehearsal	9.00am – 12.00pm
Tuesday 2 nd July	School production – matinee performance	2.00pm – 3.30pm
Wednesday 3 rd July	School production – evening performance	6.30pm – 8.00pm
Thursday 4 th July	Reserve Sports Day (if other day rained off)	
Wednesday 10 th July	School Disco	3.00pm – 6.30pm



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Thursday 11 th July	Prize-giving	2.00pm – 3.30pm
Friday 12 th July	Leavers assembly (parents invited)	9.00am – 10.00am
Friday 12 th July	Term 6 ends	
Friday 1 st November	Fosse Association – Disco and Treasure Hunt	
Saturday 24 th November	Fosse Association – Christmas Market	