



Newsletter: 2nd March 2020

WORLD BOOK DAY – THIS THURSDAY – GET YOUR COSTUME READY!

Timetable and breaks

Children in Years 2 to 6 are working with a new timetable this half term. We are trying a shorter 45 minute lunch break as most playground falling out happens in the last 15 minutes of the break. To pay back the lost playtime, children are having two short morning breaks instead of one long one, and a mid-afternoon break too. This gives “brain breaks” to help children keep on learning across the two hour first and last lessons each day.

Twice every week, each class is also being split in half for their English lessons. Half the class has English with the teacher while the other half goes out for break and then to assembly. The two groups then swap over. By swapping half classes over in this way, children are working in groups of 15 or less for this key lesson, rather than the usual class of 30.

Year 4 Swimming

To make sure that as many children as possible meet the Primary School Swimming Standard, all children in both classes will continue going swimming every week for the rest of the year.

Mr Pickering’s Pankhurst Class will now swim every Tuesday afternoon - Miss Nock’s Bronte Class will swim every Friday afternoon. The same timings for end of day collection from the pool or school still apply.

Home time

Thank you to the vast majority of families who are on time to collect children at the end of each day. If you are held up, please make sure you give the office a call and let them know. This is important as teachers and assistants don’t finish work at 3.15pm. Looking after late leavers has a knock-on effect for clubs, meetings and training which is where staff go to straight to after school.

Sports Relief – Friday 13th March

Time to get your sports kits gear on and help raise money for a great charity. Children can come to school dressed in their sports clothes for the day. During the day, children will take part in different challenges, run a mile and complete a sports quiz. If you want to send a donation, Sports Relief money helps support people who live incredibly tough lives in the UK and around the world.

Ready... Set... Go!

Miss Nock, P.E. and Sport Leader

Coronavirus

We wanted to let you know that the school is following all of the government advice about the Covid-19 coronavirus very carefully. Any child or adult in school who travels to China, Iran or northern Italy will be asked to stay at home and call 111 for the correct medical advice before being allowed back to school. The same will happen for anyone with any of the symptoms. School will be reminding children to wash their hands regularly and we recommend that you follow this up at home too. Full information about our coronavirus procedures can be found on the school website in the news section.



Diary Dates: Spring 2020

Date	Year Group	Time	Event
Tuesday 3rd March	Year 4	All day	Trip to Wollaton Hall (The Romans)
Wednesday 4th March	Year 1	9.00 – 9.30 am	Year 1 Phonics Test – Meeting for Parents
Thursday 5th March	All	day	World Book Day
Friday 6th March	Year 3	day	Ancient Egypt day at Derby Museum
	Year 5	day	Art and Architecture visit to St Peter's Church
Monday 9th March	Mini Police	am	National Justice Museum Visit
Monday 9th to Friday 13th March	ALL		STEM WEEK Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths events in all classes
Thursday 12th March	All	day	Sports Relief Charity Day
Monday 16th March	Year 6	3.30 – 4.00 pm	SATs meeting for families
Thursday 19th and Friday 20th March	All	p.m.	Mother's Day Afternoon Tea
Wednesday 25th March	Year 5	am	Visit to Cornerstone church Easter event
Wednesday 25th March	Year 5	3.15pm	Parent meeting for residential trip
Thursday 26th March	Year 3	pm	Sports Festival (selected children only)
Friday 27th March	Cadbury Class	2.30pm	WWF Exhibition for families (in the Hall)
Wednesday 1st April	All	2.00 – 4.30 pm	Parent – Teacher Meetings
Thursday 2nd April	All	3.30 – 6.00 pm	Parent – Teacher Meetings
	Years 3 & 4	2.00 – 3.00 pm	Big Class Assembly for families
Friday 3rd April	All	3.15pm	School Closes for Easter Holiday
Monday 20th April	All	8.45am	School re-opens