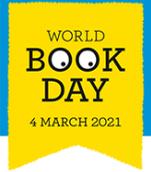




This week	<p>Dear Parents,</p> <p>I hope that you were able to have some downtime and a rest in the half term week- even if that was only from supporting children's home learning. As we returned to school at the start of this week we heard that school will be fully open to all children from Monday 8th March.</p> <p>We are really looking forward to welcoming the children back to school and getting everyone back into their classrooms and learning together in school. Over the course of next week staff will use the daily class meetings to prepare the children for returning to school and answering any questions they may have.</p> <p>Capellas at Park Hill and Brambles at Thorns will be open from 8th March to offer childcare to those parents who require this so that they can work. We will not be offering after school clubs at this time. The school kitchens are open and will continue to provide children's lunches; fruit and milk are available at Thorns for children as usual.</p> <p>The arrangements and school day timings will be as they were in the autumn term – please read the attached FAQ for more information. If you have any questions or concerns about the return to school please do get in touch with the school office.</p> <p>Thorns PTA met this week and Park Hill PTA will be meeting next week. Both groups are planning some lovely activities for children and families, please look out for more information in the coming weeks.</p> <p>Best wishes, Mrs Bradbury</p>
Dates for This Term	<p>Dates for this term</p> <p>Wednesday 3rd March – Park Hill PTA Meeting at 8pm</p> <p>Thursday 4th March – World Book Day</p> <p>Monday 8th March – school opens to all children</p> <p>Friday 19th March – Comic Relief Day, non-uniform day</p> <p>Monday 22nd March to Wednesday 31st March – parents evening appointments (online)</p> <p>Thursday 1st April – last day in school, finish for the Easter holiday</p>

<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">All children</p>	<p>World Book Day – Thursday 4th March</p>  <p>World Book day is an annual day that helps to promote a love of reading and we are inviting the children to dress up as favourite book character. It will be a bit different this year with many of the children still learning at home so we thought that they might like to join their class meeting dressed as a book character. If you don't want to dress up children could come to the meeting with a set of clues to share with their friends so that they can guess the character. Teachers will plan some tasks on the day that link to World Bok Day and reading and share these on MS Teams. Children will be given their book voucher when they return to school on Monday 8th March.</p> <p>You may wish to join some of the online workshops being offered by Scholastic books, please register at https://shop.scholastic.co.uk/scholastic-live-world-book-day, check out the offer at the end of this newsletter.</p>
<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">All children</p>	<p>Partnership with Parents</p> <p>We have certainly been working very closely together over the last few weeks and the children have really benefitted from that partnership between home and school. Towards the end of this term we will be inviting all parents to join their child's class teacher for a meeting online. These sessions will be a chance for parents and teachers to share learning and progress over the spring term and for teachers to inform parents how well their child has settled back into the school routines. The meetings will be held between Monday 22nd March and Wednesday 31st March; more information about how to book will be sent out next week.</p>
<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">All children</p>	<p>Great Art Exhibition</p> <p>Park Hill and Thorns are now signed up to take part in 'The Great Big Art Exhibition'. Every two weeks a contributing artist will select a theme and children and families are invited to contribute a piece of art to share with the community. Artist Sonia Boyce has chosen portraits as the second theme; Someone that means so much. More information is attached to this newsletter for anyone wishing to take part.</p>
<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Well done</p>	<p>Congratulations to Kian</p>  <p>Congratulations to Kian in Year 2 who has really demonstrated our school value of compassion over recent weeks. After a stay in hospital Kian was inspired to raise some money for McGregor ward at Warwick Hospital through a sponsored walk. Kian has raised £600 and this will be used to buy some new play things for the children who have to be in hospital - well done Kian. You can read more about his efforts at https://www.leafingtoncourier.co.uk/news/people/seven-year-old-boy-kenilworth-aims-walk-50000-steps-say-thank-you-medical-staff-warwick-hospital-3132581</p>

Scholastic Live World Book Day Event Week

Monday 1st – Friday 5th March

MONDAY 1ST	TUESDAY 2ND	WEDNESDAY 3RD	THURSDAY 4TH	FRIDAY 5TH
10am drawalong				
 Doodle along Tom Gates style with Liz Pichon Ages 7–12	 Live history drawing with Thiago de Moraes Ages 7–12	 How to draw with Tom Knight (special guest: Michelle Robinson) Ages 3–6	 How to draw with Nicola Slater Ages 3–6	 Live nature drawing with Sharon Rentta Ages 3–6
11am writing workshop				
 Writing comedy with Simon James Green Ages 8–12	 Write like a wizard with Kimberly Pauley Ages 8–12	 Riddles and mysteries with Lisa Thompson Ages 9–12	 How to make everyone laugh with Helen Rutter Ages 9–12	 Fantasy world-building with Vashti Hardy Ages 9–12
2pm writing workshop				
 Victoria Schwab and Spooky Stories, in conversation Ages 10–13	 Writing workshop with Kimberlie Hamilton Ages 8–12	 Welcome to Albion with Annaliese Avery – exclusive preview event! Ages 9–12	 Design a witch with Katy Birchall Ages 10–13	 Writing history with K. N. Chimbiri Ages 9–12
4pm book club				
 Kereen Getten Ages 9–12	 Vick Hope Ages 9–12	 Dan Freedman Ages 8–12	 Phil Earle Ages 8–12	 Michael Rosen Ages 7+

Age ranges are for suggestion only – all children are welcome to join the events

A week-long jam-packed schedule of live events with your favourite authors and illustrators!



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