

# Spring



# News 2

28<sup>th</sup> February 2017

## Dates for this term

- Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March - World Book Day quiz
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> - World Book Day  
- M&M productions - Oliver Twist
- Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> - Reception garden centre visit (a.m.)  
- Balance bike training (p.m.)  
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- Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> - Y5/6 netball tournament
- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> - Year 1 Assembly (2.45pm)
- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> - Science Boffins - assembly & workshops
- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> - KS1 GROW Family Learning Day  
- Y3/4 football tournament
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> - KS2 Rocket Challenge Family Learning Day
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> - Comic Relief/Epilepsy Awareness Day
- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April - Year 5 Assembly (2.45pm)
- Friday 7<sup>th</sup> - School closes for Easter.
- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April - School opens for Summer Term.

On **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March** our Reception children will enjoy a busy day visiting the Colne Valley Garden Centre during the morning, to support their work on growing plants. When they return and for the rest of the day they will enjoy learning how to ride a balance bike with an expert trainer from Try-cycles.



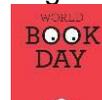
**Welcome back everyone**, we hope that you all enjoyed the half-term break. We have a lot to pack into this next half term and are looking forward to a wide range of engaging learning opportunities and activities, including a visiting theatre production, a team of science boffins, a cycling trainer and Comic Relief day.



As part of the *National Science & Engineering Week* on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March** our Reception, Year 1 & 2 pupils will take part in the GROWBAG project. Each class will spend an hour out doors with Vashti, a professional gardener from GROW, working on our vegetable plots and garden areas. Reception and Year 1 sessions will be before lunch; Year 2 will be in the afternoon. If you can join us for these sessions then please do – and keep your fingers crossed for good weather! Details of the exact timings will follow shortly, along with a reply slip to confirm you will be able to take part.

Later that week, on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March** pupils in Y3 – 6 will take part in the bottle Rocket challenge with the aim to launch a pop bottle rocket as high into the sky as possible. If you can come along and join us, please do. Details of timings will be with you shortly.

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** we will celebrate World Book Day by dressing up as book characters, enjoying a performance of Oliver Twist in the morning and working with books and book related activities throughout the day.



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At this time of year more and more children, at younger and younger ages, are now able to use the Internet on new mobile phones or tablets. Access to the Internet offers a world of information and experiences and along with it a range of potential problems.

Keeping children safe online is one of our major responsibilities and pupils regularly learn about online safety in class. To help you at home, there are a number of useful parent guides and tools that you can find on our school website. Click the Parents tab on the homepage then select Online Safety at Home or click the following link: <http://www.crowlane.org.uk/games>



### Governor update

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Bernie Jones and I am mum to Ethan (All Saints High School), Ewan (Pink Class) and Erin (Red Class). I have been appointed a School Parent Governor. Please feel free to stop me and say hello and I will try to answer any questions you may have.

The Governors and Mr Vayro last attended a Governing meeting on the 18th January. We discussed joining the Aspire Trust. I hope you had chance to read the information we sent out and/or were able to attend the proposals meetings to become better informed about where the school is heading. Joining the trust offers to unite us with other schools and bring the school and community together. This would provide the school with extra skills, staff and resources.

Mrs Irene Jacob (Chair of Governors) attended the school for a formal visit and wrote a report of her findings with reference to the classroom and learning experience. She said that she enjoyed the experience and was pleased that children remembered her. This report can be found on the schools website. The visits are that standards, targets, policies, behaviour, safeguarding, health & Safety etc. are met and general efficiency in the running of the school. We shall be attending the school regularly to ensure these are upheld.

Each Governor is appointed an area of special interest of which I have been given Science as my subject. I have a Bachelor of Science in Podiatry and hopefully I have retained some knowledge over the last ten years to be of some service. I look forward to working with Mrs Anderson (Science appointed teacher). If you have any ideas or input that you would like to share please come and say hello.

**Bernadette Jones**  
**School Parent Governor**

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