

# Spring



# News 3

7<sup>th</sup> April 2017

## Dates for this term

Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Class photos
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	School closed - Bank Holiday
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Y5/6 football tournament
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	School closed - election day
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	GROW Family Learning Y3,4 & 5
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATs - all week
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Parents evening
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Parents evening
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Early Years 'Stay & Play' session

**Happy Easter!** We hope that everyone has an enjoyable Easter break and hopefully gets the chance to enjoy some sunshine!

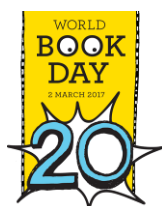
Next half-term is only five weeks and with the Bank Holiday and polling day it will more than likely fly past.



We packed a lot into this last term and it has been great to see so many of you able to join your children in a variety of learning events in school.



After Easter there will be more opportunities to come into school and work with your children. Years 3 – 5 will be working on school gardening projects with gardening expert Vashti from GROW (details to follow); Early Years will run another Stay & Play session – this time in the afternoon.



On **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** we celebrated 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. Thanks for all of your support with preparing costumes – everyone looked great and had a really good day.



## Mad science!

During the week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> March we celebrated British Science week, starting with a visit from the Science Boffins and including a gardening day with Vashti from GROW and the bottle rocket challenge - in the rain!



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## Governor update

My name is Becki Beaumont. I am the Local Authority Elected Governor. I have many years' experience of being a Governor, I sit on two other Governing bodies in Batley. I am chair of the Resources committee, on this committee we monitor school spending, approve spending on projects over a certain cost, monitor health safety and pupil premium spending. My area of responsibility is SEN provision, I come into school to discuss it once a term.

The Governors attended a Governing body meeting on the 8th March. We discussed safe guarding and talked about any training requirements, to ensure your children remain safe. As Governors we talked about the next steps in joining the Aspire Trust, this is an ongoing process and we will keep you up to date with the progress.

Governors have a responsibility to monitor progress and achievement of all pupils, we discussed at length, recent progress data for all years in school. School academic targets were also discussed, we want to ensure every child fulfils their potential. At meetings we shared any training we have undertaken and any monitoring visits we have done at school.

Becki Beaumont

LA Governor

### \*\*\*REMINDERS\*\*\*

#### **Absence**

\*Unplanned absence - please remember to inform the office by 9.15am on the day. We will call home to check your child's whereabouts after this time.

\*Planned absence – please submit a letter/email to request the absence in advance.

\*Doors open at 8.45am. Morning registers close at 9.00am. Afternoon registration is 1.00pm. Pupils arriving after these times will be marked as late. Arrival after 9.30am will be classed as unauthorised absence.

#### **Road Safety**

\*For the safety of our children, please drive and park considerately around school and avoid parking on the yellow zig-zagged lines.

#### **Medicines and illness**

\*Pupils must remain away from school for 48 hours after the last occurrence of sickness/diarrhoea and be eating again.

\*Inhalers **must** be named and kept in school at all times.

\*If your child is prescribed medicine by a Doctor, which is to be taken four times a day, please bring it to the office and provide details. We **must** be shown the label from the chemist advising dosage.

#### **Communication**

\*Are your contact details up to date on our system? Are you receiving texts? Do we have your correct email address? Please inform us if not!

\*Please check book bags regularly for homework and letters – some letters may have deadlines/require a response.

#### **Healthy Eating**

\*If your child is on packed lunches, please ensure they bring a healthy lunch including fruit and vegetables each day. Lunches should not contain fizzy drinks, sweets or chocolate bars.

\*KS2 Children may purchase fruit from the **fruit tuck shop** at play time. Fruit varies from 5p to 25p per item.

#### **Belongings/Lost Property**

\*Please ensure all uniform items are labelled.

\*Lost property is disposed of at the end of each half term.

\*PE Kits should be kept in school all week.

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