

Friday News



8th March, 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

World Book Day Everyone had a fantastic World Book Day on Thursday. Thank you for sending the children into school in such wonderful costumes. We all had a lovely day celebrating non-fiction books. Key Stage 1 learned all about different creatures. Percy, our school tortoise, went around the classes to see everyone, then the children wrote non-fiction texts all about him. In Key Stage 2 it was a football focus. Two of our very own year 6 football stars - Max and Ethan - demonstrated some impressive skills in assembly. Children in years 3-6 spent the day completing sporty non-fiction tasks.

Medicines in School As a reminder, any prescribed medications which your child may need to have during the course of the school day must be brought into the school office where you can complete the relevant forms. For more details, our medicines policy can be located in the policies section of the school website.

Reception Handwriting Heroes This week four new handwriting heroes were awarded the superhero capes for their fantastic formation of the letter 'a'. Heroes were: Peter Baron (blue group), Jacob Kerrison (green group), Freddy Park (red group) and Mason Shannon (purple group). Well done boys!

Little Buddies Last week's Little Buddies session was a real success. This week, a new group of children visited the Donwell House where they took part in weaving, making bracelets and using playdough with the residents. These activities also help develop the children's fine motor skills.

Red Nose Day It's Red Nose Day next Friday, 15th March. Children can come to school wearing their red noses and dressed in red - noses are available at Sainsbury's stores. A small donation would be appreciated with all proceeds going to the Comic Relief charity.

Forest School Training Next week, our teachers who are currently training for their forest school qualification will take part in an assessment week. Miss Mesie, Mrs Mewes and Mr Titmus will be out of school Monday - Thursday. Their roles will be covered by known school staff who the children are familiar with. Classes have been informed that they will be out of school.

Sports Report On Tuesday, Mrs Armstrong took some children from year 1 to compete in the Infant Agility competition. The children took part in 12 different events including speed bounce, balance, throw and catch and long jump. From the very beginning, the team showed great sportsmanship and worked together to gain maximum points. Logan Steele was very good at the chest push, Nathan Dodsworth threw the javelin over 8 metres, and Chloe Pounder was amazing at the quick stepper. At the end of the competition, the points were counted up and GWPS won by a clear 12 points, bringing the trophy back to school! Next competition - year 2!

On Monday, the hockey team took part in the City Games finals. The team played well and won their first 3 games with great goals from Molly Aston, Poppie Longstaff and Katie King. The team made it through to the semi-finals but lost their match against Barnes Primary, knocking them out of the competition. Miss Garthwaite and Miss Robson were proud of the team's effort throughout the final.

On another cold and wet afternoon, GWPS were in action against JFK. From the start, JFK were on the attack and scored first in the first two minutes. A few minutes later, they scored again, as the wet football slipped out of Casey's hands into the back of the net. The team kept trying, with a good chance from Daniel Teasdale. At the beginning of the second half, GWPS came back fighting and worked hard to get a goal. Ethan Bell and Daniel Teasdale played a great pass and move, resulting in a goal from Ethan.

The score was 2 - 1 and Mr Titmus and Mrs Heatlie had their fingers crossed for another goal or two. There were more good chances, but JFK defended well, and they managed to get another goal past us. Final score 3 - 1 to JFK. A good game with some great goals from both teams. Next week is away to St Bede's.

Have a lovely weekend; see you all on Monday!

Mrs L. McArdle
Head of School

Superstars of the Week

Class	Star of the Week
RAM	Green group - Ryan Rossiter Blue group - Alexander Miller-Kennedy
RAO	Red group - Rosie Peverley Purple group - Jack Cullen
1LH	Lexie Hodgson
1EC	Logan Steele
2BG	Ben Hughes
2MA	Alexis Gosling
3LM	Alfie Atkinson
3KM	Liam Ferguson
4SC	Deacon Richardson
4DS	Chantelle Richardson
5BP	Jack White
5AD	Ashton Gray
6JP	Ella Thornby
6CW	Poppie Longstaff
6AF	Jake Orchard
Mrs McArdle's Special Award: EY/Key Stage 1	Charlie Coates (RAM Green)
Mrs McArdle's Special Award: Key Stage 2	James Riedlinger (6JP)