



W/E 24/03/17

Dear Parents,

As you will know, last week was a busy one with a visit from Ofsted! Although the official report is not yet available, we would thank you all for your support, especially those parents who took the time to complete the Parent View questionnaire; it was very much appreciated. The pupils played a huge part in the inspection both with their excellent behaviour in lessons and positive attitudes in conversations with the inspector. We will ensure you see the final report once it has been released.

Sponsored Read

A **MASSIVE THANKS** to all of those pupils and parents who supported our Sponsored Read last week. Due to the commitment to your child's reading, we collected an amazing **£1,700** in sponsor money, which means we have qualified for the maximum **60% book bonus!** That means, just before Easter, we are expecting a delivery of around **£2,700 of books** for our children to read and enjoy. Fantastic! It took a little while longer than anticipated to collect the money and forms so we will be doing the draw for the bumper book pack prizes some time next week.

Shakespeare Week

'To be or not to be: that is the question.' This week, KS2 children have been learning all about one of England's most famous authors, William Shakespeare, by taking part in National Shakespeare Week. The children have learned about his life and the times in which he lived, as well as studying one of his best-known plays in English lessons:

Y3 - The Tempest

Y4 - A Midsummer Night's Dream

Y5 - Macbeth

Y6 - Julius Caesar

The children have produced some real high quality writing and art, which we are hoping will be on display in our KS2 library area for you to see during Parents' Evenings after Easter.

Comic Relief - Put a Nose on It!

Hopefully, lots of you will make it into school to see the grand premier of our 'Put a Nose on It' video in aid of Comic Relief. The children worked very hard to learn the song and had a great time recording the video with Mr Stainsby this week. We've heard the song so many times that some of the staff are singing it in their sleep!

Marie Curie Daffodil Pin Badges



To support the Marie Curie Great Daffodil Appeal, we are selling daffodil pin badges in school. Please pop into the office if you would like to buy one to help the work of this wonderful charity.

Enjoy your weekend,
Miss Thompson (Deputy Headteacher)

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Please help our very busy office staff to make sure everything runs smoothly in school by reading these important reminders...

- ❖ If someone different to usual is **collecting your child**, please ensure you inform the School Office by **2pm** at the latest so we have enough time to get a message to the class teacher.
- ❖ The school car park is for **staff use only** and should not be used by parents/carers when dropping off/collecting children.
- ❖ **Milk money** for the week must be handed to your child's class teacher on a **Monday morning** so that orders can be placed for the rest of the week.
- ❖ The deadline for **new school uniform** orders is **Friday 26th May** to guarantee delivery before we break up for the summer holidays. Please place your orders at the School Office.
- ❖ **School Photograph Day** is **Friday 19th May** – more details will follow shortly.
- ❖ **Parents' Evenings** will take place during the **first week back** after the Easter break. Each year group will have two dates for you to choose from, which will be shared, in a letter, early next week.

SWIMMING SUPERSTAR



Well done to **Freya Love** from Year 4, who represented her swimming club, Aqua Force, in The Richmond Dales Gala on Saturday 18th March.

Freya's talent and hard work (she trains three times per week) was rewarded with her winning two **GOLD** medals at the event: one in **backstroke** and the other in the very difficult **butterfly** stroke.

Earlier this term, Freya was also part of the school swimming team that competed at the town wide schools' gala. Most children at that event were in Y5/6 so this shows how talented she is. Definitely one to watch out for in future Olympics!

EASTER EGG CONTEST

Just a reminder that our annual Easter Egg Decorating Contest will take place on **Thursday 6th April** this year...

Children will be asked to decorate their eggs at home and bring them into school on the day.

There will also be the traditional parents' competition for you to get creative!

More details to follow from Mrs Timothy next week...



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