



PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As ever, the first week back at school has flown by. We are very much looking forward to the next half term and there are lots of exciting things planned.

World Book Day

A reminder that it is World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March. Information has previously been sent out about this but a reminder that to celebrate this day, we would like to invite the children to dress up as their favourite book character. As mentioned, vending machine tokens will be awarded for the most creative costumes within each Key Stage so no pressure! However, please don't spend a lot of money on any outfits. The information previously sent out gave some ideas for costumes which you might be able to prepare with items you already have at home. If it is easier, children can also dress in pyjamas under the theme 'bedtime reading', but we ask that football kits are avoided on this occasion.

Children will also be challenged to take part in a 'Readathon' whereby all classes will compete against each other to see who can read for the most amount of time. This can include reading books, magazines, comics, menus, recipe books, instructions, blogs etc. Every second counts. **Please help your child log how many minutes they have read at home between Monday 27th February and Friday 3rd March** by recording it in their reading record. The class who has read for the most amount of time, over the course of the week, will win a prize. We look forward to a very exciting day!

As Thursday 2nd March is also one of our consultation evenings, you may find you are meeting some teachers who are also dressed up!

Consultation Evenings

If you have not yet booked an appointment to see your child's class teacher, we strongly encourage you to do so. Although there will be formal school reports in July, these are the final consultation evenings of the year. You will get the opportunity to find out how your child is progressing, view some of their work and ask any questions you might have.

Outdoor Play and Learning

We continue to improve our breaktime and lunchtime provision and, this week, have introduced a boxing punch bag in the playground, further items in the construction area, wheelbarrows and a range of playtime toys and games such as frisbees, target games etc. We have also purchased a collection of waterproof trousers and jackets so that, when we introduce our muddy 'digging' area and re-open our waterplay, in colder wetter weather, the pupils using these areas will be in appropriate clothing. If you are able to provide your own waterproofs for your child, this would be greatly appreciated as we are obviously unable to buy nearly 500 sets. Equally if you have any waterproof clothing your child has grown out of and you are willing to donate it to school, that would be fantastic.



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All play items and zones introduced are thoroughly risk assessed, following Health and Safety Executive guidance and 'play rules' are discussed with the pupils. In the summer term we also plan to invite parents and carers into school for a stay and play session so you can see what we have been working on.

Strike action

As stated in the letter yesterday, school will be partially open on Tuesday 28th February. **Children in RH, 1P, 1G, 2B, 2BR, 3DB, 3SB and 3T should come to school as normal. All other classes are closed to pupils.** A reminder that this action is targeted directly at the government who have failed to provide a fully funded, above-inflation pay rise for all teachers, and is not an internal issue within school.

Parking

It seems to be a weekly reminder at present, but please remember to park responsibly around school. This week, access to the school car park along Wrose View (entrance at the back of school near Nursery) was blocked due to the parking of some of our parents/ carers. As well as access to the school car park, this road also provides access for emergency services should we need them at school. I am sure no one would want to be responsible for preventing access in this way should we ever have an emergency at school.

Prime energy drink bottles

We seem to have had another resurgence of children bringing Prime hydration/ energy drinks to school. Please can we remind you that only still water should be brought to school with your child and please avoid re-using any Prime bottles as this only causes confusion and upset between the children.

Dates for your diary

Below are some important dates for your diary.

Monday 27th February – Panathlon event (in school time) - selected pupils have been informed
Monday 27th February – Year 3/4 football event after school – selected pupils have been informed
Tuesday 28th February - NEU Strike Day
Tuesday 28th February – William Petty Fire of London visit to Year 2 (Year 2 are open)
Wednesday 1st and Thursday 2nd March - Consultation Evenings
Thursday 2nd March – U11 basketball (after school) - selected pupils will be informed
Thursday 2nd March – World Book Day
Friday 3rd March – Skipping Workshop for a small number of Year 5 pupils
Tuesday 7th March – 1P visit to Industrial Museum
Tuesday 14th March – 1G visit to Industrial Museum
Wednesday 15th to Friday 17th March – Year 4 residential to Ingleborough
Saturday 18th March – School Swimming Gala

We hope you all have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Kind regards,

Beth Medhurst and Fiona Meer

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