

Ashleworth CofE Primary School

Newsletter - February 2018



Dear Parents,

Well, here we are at the end of February already. At this time, thoughts are usually turning to spring and the new beginnings that are promised. This year is certainly promises something different, we are all holding our breath and waiting to see what 'The Beast from The East' has in store for us. I know the children are hoping for snow; I'm afraid I don't share their sentiment. I very much hope we escape the weather and that school can continue as normal.

Despite February being the shortest month and the inclusion of half term, we've still managed to pack plenty in.

There is some lovely work going on in both classes.

In Class 1, the children have finished their Peter Rabbit stories. This was the culmination of a number of weeks looking at Beatrix Potter and enjoying the stories she wrote. They've also produced some lovely art work linked to their topic. They're now starting to learn about dinosaurs.

Class 2, have been writing their own stories based upon The Iron Man. They've also designed and built their own robots. During their science, they've been learning about circuits and electricity. This learning has helped them to think about how their robot designs could be developed. Their studies have now moved onto Inventors and Inventions.

A big event for us was Internet safety Day. This will become an annual event for us. The children enjoyed a wealth of activities, throughout the day, all with the aim of raising their understanding of how to keep safe when using the internet. I know that the parents who joined their children in class during the afternoon found it very informative. We are developing our E-safety section of the website and are in the process of collating information and useful links for parents.

So, to March! On Thursday, we will be celebrating World Book Day. The children certainly are really looking forward to dressing up as their favourite character from a book. On Monday, Class 1 were sharing their characters with me. The theme of the day is Let's Share a Story. A reminder that children need to bring their favourite book into school. Mrs Noyes will be adding lots of photos to the website.

Since October, we have made significant changes to the way that we teach maths. Next Wednesday, March 7th, you are invited into school between 9.30 - 10.30 to see maths in action.

Please refer to the front of the newsletter for other key dates this half term. We will be holding our first Book Bugs Sale - all books are priced at £2.50. For every 5 books sold; school gets 1 in return.

Lots to look forward.

Keep warm everyone!

Yours sincerely,

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diary dates..

- 1st March - World Book Day
- 6th March - Forest School
- 7th March - Maths drop-ins
- 8th March - Mother Sunday Service
- 12th March - KS1 Cake Sale
- 14th March - Y2 & Y6 Parent Meetings
- 20th March - Forest School
- 23rd March - Books for bugs
- 29th March - Inset Day
- 30th March - Easter Holidays
- 16th April - Start of Term 5

Class attendance..

Class 1 attendance from 1st Sept - 23rd Feb - 96.2%
Class 2 attendance from 1st Sept - 23rd Feb - 97.4%

Mothering Sunday service..

this year we are having a Mothering Sunday Service at the church on Thursday 8th March 2018 at 2.30pm. Everybody is welcome to join us.



naming clothing..

Please can you ensure all items of school clothing have been named.

cake sale.

Our KS1 children are holding a cake sale on Monday 12th March from 3.20pm, all money raised will go towards supplies for our Forest School.



books for bugs..

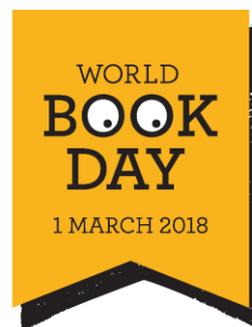
Books for bugs is a family run company who sole purpose is to make children's books more affordable. They will be visiting school on 23rd march so come along and snap up a bargain.



Find more information on their website:
www.booksforbugs.co.uk

world book day..

Children can come to school on Thursday 1st March dressed as a character from their favourite book. At 2.45pm we will be having an assembly where you are all welcome to join us.



This term our value is..



Reminders.

- Please remember to check your emails for any communication from school. Any letters that require a signature will be sent home in the children's book bags.
- On the weeks that Class 1 don't have Forest School, they will have PE on a Monday afternoon, please remember PE kits.