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Term 4 Newsletter- March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

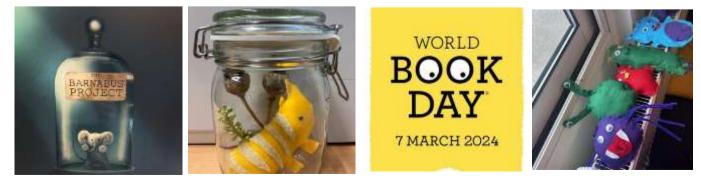
Wow! We have come to the end of another term already and, again, what a fun-filled and action-packed term it has been.



World Book Day 2024

On Thursday 7th March, it was World Book Day and we began celebrations by following clues to find our secret pet. Once they were found, we all returned them to the Science lab in the hall where we were introduced to our chosen text 'The Barnabus Project' by The Fan Brothers-we also met the men in green suits!

Throughout the day, the children continued to read the story and created wonderful writing and pieces of artwork (some of which will be displayed in our gallery space). The chosen text captured the imaginations of children across the school, and it was wonderful to see them in awe and wonder at what they were discovering.



Please continue to check your emails, our school website and social media for regular updates about what is happening in school and the curriculum offer for your child.

Assemblies

In assemblies this term, we have taken the opportunity to focus on being Thoughtful and discussed the importance of sharing our thoughts and feelings with trusted grown-ups and friends. We heard about Elmo and how he asked people how they are and how this is a thoughtful and kind thing to do. We also held another enjoyable Sketchbook assembly which everyone in the school participated in- we are so impressed with how everyone is Brave and Enthusiastic!





F1 in schools competition

Following our successful involvement in the regional finals of the F1 in Schools competition at Aston University in Birmingham, Barnula 1 racers were invited back to participate in the national finals in Rotherham.

During the final competition, the team raced their car, presented their design and independently answered questions by a panel of adults. They were also interviewed live on You Tube, which we were able to watch at school. In the end, they placed 7th out of 22 teams from across the country- wow!

We are so incredibly proud of their achievements and their demonstration of BEST.



Red Nose day

On March 15th, the whole school supported Red Nose Day. It was wonderful to see the effort made by all our children and staff and to celebrate and support the work of this charity. In the afternoon, all children participated in a Red Nose Day festival. We were so proud of all the children as they independently walked around the school and joined in with the many fun activities. The children rasied £625- many thanks for your kind and thoughtful donations.





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Parents Evening:

Thank you to all of those who attended parents evening last week- it is incredibly valuable when our parents and carers show our children that we are working together to support their learning.

This is also another great opportunity for you to understand what your child is learning and how well they are progressing.

Parent/carer online survey

Thank you to all of you who completed our most recent online school survey. It is so important for us to gain an accurate picture of our school and determine ways we can continue to deliver the best education for your children.

I would like to acknowledge that, at times, problems and situations can and do happen. I recognise that we do not always get things right and we can make mistakes. I also hope you understand we may not always agree. However, I hope that all staff strive to rectify issues quickly and that you feel you can contact staff via email, telephone or at the classroom door and discuss any areas of concern you may have.

All staff in our school are committed to delivering an excellent curriculum, a safe and ambitious environment and to ensure your children can be the BEST that they can possibly be, both now and in the future.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff and visitors in our school who make school life so very special for all the children.

Staff spend many hours organising, working together and planning to create fabulous learning opportunities and they continue to go the extra mile to make a difference. I would also like to say thank you to you too- we are very grateful for the kind words and gestures you share with us which recognise and celebrate our efforts and we do not underestimate the power of your support.

I wish all of those who celebrate a happy Easter and hope you all enjoy a restful break. We look forward to seeing you at 8:50am on Tuesday 16th April ready for the beginning of the Summer term.

Thank you to you all for your continued support and kindness.

Mrs James Head teacher

<u>Reminders:</u>

To keep all our children safe, the play equipment/trim trail on our school playground is not to be used before and after school. The equipment is only supervised during playtimes, lunchtimes and specific PE lessons.

Please remember the car park is shut between 8:30 and 9:10 and from 3:00 until 3:30, unless you hold a disability badge/permit for vehicles which needs to be displayed clearly. Our caretaker will open the school gates when it is time to do so.

Please ensure you park safely and thoughtfully and NOT on the zigzag lines or in the school car parks (the areas both inside and outside the gates).

Please remember that if your child would like to bring their bike or scooter into school, they <u>must</u> wear a helmet.

We are committed to BEST and treating you with respect and courtesy and to be Thoughtful to you all. Our staff also have the right to work in a safe environment, so we ask that you treat them thoughtfully and with respect and courtesy. Offensive behaviour will result in you being asked to leave and may result in prosecution.

Please keep up to date with all information by regularly checking your emails, our social media pages and our school website.