

Headteacher's Message

Dear Families,

Winter is on its way out and the children have been enjoying welcoming springtime. Year 2 have been experiencing new life cycles with their little chicks which they watched hatch and grow.

Teachers have been making the most of school visits to enrich learning with lots of trips related to Science and also to the Roald Dahl museum, The Ragged school and the Wimbledon mosque.

Thanks for all the support with charitable and school fundraising. Comic relief as ever was a fun day raising money for a good cause by wearing red and a talent show ably organised by Mr. Fink. World Book Day was a great success with lots of activities organised by Miss. Gibson and funding from the PTA.

Looking forward to warmer months and wishing you a good break over the Easter holiday.

Yours faithfully,

Sarah

Sarah Jones Headteacher

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Key Dates for your Diary	
April 2023	
Monday 17th	Start of Term
	Back to School
May 2023	
Monday 1st	Bank Holiday
Monday 8th	Bank Holiday
Monday 29th	Half Term
June 2023	
Monday 5th	School Starts
Thursday 22nd	Inset Day
Friday 23rd	Inset Day
Thursday 29th	Year 1 & 2 Music
	Performance at 11 am
July 2023	
Thursday 13th	Sports Day
Friday 14th	EYFS Sports Day
Thursday 19th	Meet the Teacher



School Fun Activities



WORLD BOOK DAY, TALENT SHOW, FOR COMIC RELIEF & FUN RUN

We celebrated World Book Day and our children impressed us with their amazing costumes, the PTA kindly provided breakfast for the whole school and we welcome parents to come and read in the morning for their children.

For Comic Relief we raised a total of £547. Thank you to our amazing year 6 kids that helped sell the noses, the children also enjoyed an incredible Talent show and it was great to see how talented the children are.

We would like to remind our parents of the incredible Fun Run held every Tuesday and Friday from 08:30 am and supervised by Mr. Hill.



P.E. Activities

After a brief hibernation for winter, competitive sport is back. Things kicked off with a great performance by our girls football team who played in a 7-a-side football tournament organised by AFC Wimbledon. It was played at The Aspire Centre astro pitch with over 20 teams from Wandsworth primary schools involved.

It was also the first chance to play competitive fixtures for this group and they soon realised how different it was to playing amongst friends in the playground! They were obviously quick learners as they emerged top of their group undefeated. This meant that they were through to the knockout stages to be played straight after half-term.

The level of these matches were a notch up on before and the girls had to really exert themselves to make an impact. They defended stoutly and broke up countless attacks but found scoring hard. By the end of the morning session they had won 1, drawn 2 and lost 1 but unfortunately this wasn't enough for them to go through to the semi finals.

They returned to school full of pride at their efforts and at how much they had developed over the course of the two sessions. Well done to the following: Freya, Pamela, Mina. Julia, Safy (all yr 6), Sophie, Jasmine, Felicity, Amaya, (all yr 5), and Thea (yr4) and many thanks to Ms Spencer for training them over the year and managing the team on the day.

Next up was the Wandsworth Hi-5 Netball competition held at Burntwood school. Many of our team had been training with Jana on Tuesday evenings and were desperate to showcase their skills against other schools. The level of competition at these events is always high but they played with great teamwork, adapting quickly to new positions and challenges with each match. They won all of their matches, scoring 22 goals, conceding only 1 in 5 matches.

In addition to their excellent play, they were complimented by the other coaches and umpires about their great sportsmanship and team spirit. Well done girls, you are great ambassadors for the school!

Finally, it was the turn of the boys to get some football matches in before the end of the season cut short by weather and pitch availability. They adapted really well to the conditions of driving wind and rain, and put together some brilliant pieces of play. They defended confidently, supported each other all over the pitch and passed the ball incisively to the forwards creating lots of opportunities and converting some great goals. The matches are always close but they managed to come out on top in two matches, losing just one. Well done to the squad: Micah, Joseph, Nikolas, Jack, Farzam, Safwan, Max, Harry and Vas







Early Years



Our Nursery have been learning about animal habitats and went to the Wetlands Centre. Reception have been learning about hot and cold places in the first half of the Spring Term as part of this they visited the zoo and meet some penguins and had a brilliant time

In Reception we had some amazing costumes for world book day.





Year 1 really enjoyed World Book day and they all looked amazing.



For their DT lesson Year 1 made some delicious fruit kebabs



In Science, Year 1 conducted an investigation to find out what material would make the best kite. We designed, made and evaluated out kites. We tested them by taking them outside to see which one would fly the best. We concluded that the plastic bag is the best material to make a kite from.





Year 2 have enjoyed science learning this term. They've been learning about animals (including humans). To help them understand the life cyle of animals, they shared their classes with 10 chicks and watched them hatch from eggs.

In English and Geography, the children have been learning about Africa and this has influenced their writing topics. They wrote a narrative based in Africa and a non-chronological report about Africa too.





The children really enjoyed their trip to the Roald Dahl museum where they took part in a character creating workshop. They cut up and stuck together different images from newspapers and magazines to make their fantastic characters! Thank you very much to the PTA for funding the coach to get us there and back!

As part of World Book Day, we were visited by Jennifer Bell who has written a series called Agents of the Wild. The children listened to the some of the stories and then created their own agents with special powers, costumes and skills.











This term, year 4 enjoyed a fantastic trip to the SeaLife centre. We have been learning about changes in environment in the sea and how this is impacting living things. We learnt so much from our trip and had so much fun!





Year 5 had an amazing time learning all about the Victorian times and went to the Ragged School Museum





Year 5 had a fundraising for Bernardo's charity after learning about in class and raised an amazing £235.



They also enjoyed a trip to the Science museum where they saw the showing of "A Beautiful Planet" in the wonderlab this tide into their recent topic of Space and Forces.

They visited Southfields Academy to attend the Wandsworth Junior Citizenship Scheme where they learnt skills to deal with a wide range of emergency situations.





Year 6 have been working incredibly hard this term as we get ready for SATs in the summer term. They should all be so very proud of their efforts this term.

Apart from SATs prep, we have also had a fun term dissecting hearts, visiting a magistrate's court, making electrical circuits and debating our points of view.



GENERALINFORMATION

On Tuesday 28th March the Netball Team took on the teachers in a very competitive, "friendly" match . The teachers started off strongly ,full of energy and intent and soon went into a 3-0 lead. However they gradually started to fade and the Netball team went from strength to strength scoring some excellent goals. The match see-sawed and the teacher s were relieved to hear the final whistle and hang on to a 6 all draw.





Have a wonderful Spring Holidays.

We will see you and the children back on Monday the 17th of April 2023.

