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Dear Parents and Carers,

Saturday 12th February 2022

Through this week in school as a core part of their Computing work, children have been learning how to maintain effective and positive relationships with others, whilst working online. The children's learning was supported by a wide range of resources, produced by the UK Safer Internet Centre and the National Online Safety Group; organised as part of Internet E-Safety Day 2022. To help ensure a constructive outcome from our week's work, each class has written a charter explaining core things that they will commit to do to keep themselves safe whilst working online now and moving forwards.

Year 5 thoroughly enjoyed a Shakespeare drama workshop this week, organised and led by Mrs Reynolds-Hampshire. During the workshop, the children learnt all about the different characters and the sequence of events in Macbeth. All the children had a fantastic time acting out scenes in role, as well as exploring and reciting actual quotes from the play. I would like to pass on my thanks to Mrs Reynolds-Hampshire for her time and efforts to help bring the children's learning to life during this workshop.

Yesterday, we finished the week with our PTFA Break the Rules Day. I do hope that the children enjoyed the day; it certainly made for a very fun and colourful day in school. Thank you to all parents for their support.



Parking outside School

To help support efficient parking outside school in the morning and at collection time, please can parents be mindful to park up to the edge of the drop kerbs by driveways, which will allow other cars to park behind/in front of them in the space available. I hope that by doing this, this will help avoid cars needing to park in the centre of the village.

Thank you very much to the parent who informed me that this is proving challenging and thank you to all parents for your ongoing support.

Next Week in School

Monday:

- Year 1 'Armour' Making Day
- Cygnets, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5 Physical Education lessons

Thursday:

- Year 1 Physical Education lessons
- Forest School for Year 2
- End of half-term in school

Tuesday:

- Forest School for Cygnets

Wednesday:

- Year 2, Year 5 and Year 6 Physical Education lessons
- Forest School for Year 1
- Year 6 Parents Meeting at 5.00p.m. in the school hall

Forest School and Art/DT – arrangements from 28th February

To help broaden the Forest School experience to other year groups in the school, from the start of the new half-term we have re-organised the classes that will attend Forest School.

From week commencing 28th February, Forest School will be in place for Cygnets, Year 3 and Year 4 classes.

- Cygnets will have Forest School on a Tuesday;
- Year 3 will have Forest School on a Wednesday and
- Year 4 will have Forest School on a Thursday.

Children should come to school in Forest School kit on these days.

This change of Forest School classes also gives us the opportunity to extend and develop the Year 1 and Year 2 children's skills and techniques in Art and Design Technology, through the use of a specialist trained member of staff. Caroline Reid will be leading Year 1 and Year 2 children on a Wednesday and Thursday afternoon respectively as from the week commencing 28th February.

I hope that all the children will really enjoy these new areas of learning and I look forward to hearing and seeing the outcomes of their work and learning as the new half-term progresses.

Upcoming Dates for the Diary

February

- **Wednesday 16th February** – Year 6 Parents Meeting 5.00p.m. in the School Hall
- **Thursday 17th February** - End of half term
- **Friday 18th February** – INSET Day for Teachers
- **Monday 28th February** – Welcome back to all for the new half-term

March

- **Thursday 3rd March** – World Book Day – see below for details
- **Week of 7th March** – Parents Evenings –details regarding appointments have been sent out via email. Please can these be returned by Wednesday 16th February - please note that during this week there will be no After School Clubs running in school
- **Friday 18th March** - Comic Relief – non-uniform day in school
- **Thursday 31st March** – Cygnets and Year 6 children – Height and Weight checks

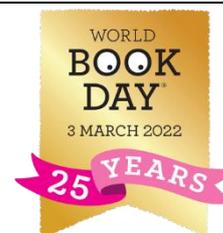
April

- **Monday 4th April** – Chance to Shine Cricket Day – Year 3 to 6 classes
- **Friday 8th April** - Easter Term ends

World Book Day in School

On **Thursday 3rd March** to help celebrate World Book Day, children are very welcome to come to school dressed as their favourite book character.

During the day, children will take part in a shared read, with the older children sharing a favourite children's book with the younger children. Please can children in Years 4, 5 and 6 find a suitable book over half-term to support with this in advance of this day. To help support children and parents with book selection, Year 6 will be reading with Cygnets and Year 3; Year 5 with Year 2 and Year 4 with Year 1.



On World Book Day, children will also be designing their favourite book characters to create some art pieces and classes will be joining with an online author through a Scholastic Schools Live World Book Week Event through the week in school.

World Book Day Menu

The World Book Day menu is now live on ParentPay for Thursday 3rd March.

Menu

- The Wizard & Me(atballs) - tasty beef meatballs served with freakishly funny pasta twists, vegetables or salad
- Dinosaur Road Dog - veggie hot dog in a roll served with supertato potato wedges, vegetables or salad
- Jacket Potato with beans
- Jacket Potato with cheese
- Jacket Potato with beans and cheese
- Jacket Potato with tuna mayo



Golden Rules and House Points

Golden Rules Stars this Week

Very well done to these children who have shown clear understanding and great application of our Golden Rules.

Monet B, Bella B, Wilbur R, Elissia D, Thea C, Jacob S, Bridget R-H, Harry S, Henry C, Kitty I, Abbie H, Thomas W and all of Year 6.

House Points

House Points Totals			
Sycamore	Willow	Oak	Chestnut
1472	1491	1475	1466

Stars of the Week

Jacob C for his super story map of The Train Ride.

Thea S for her fantastic number work this week.

Rennie-James P for putting up his hand to answer a question about predicting the end of our class story.

Hannah H for confidently partitioning to 10 first when adding a 2-digit number.

Antony K for challenging himself to use fantastic description when describing a dragon.

Sienna-Mae C-S for sharing superb Maths skills when adding 2-digit numbers.

Rosie M for her great progress in her fractions work in maths.

Eadie D for her fantastic effort in completing all her home-learning to an amazing high standard.

Sonny H and **Charlie B** for showing great resilience through the week, well done boys!

Silva B for fantastic work, completed at home, linked to our Zones of Regulation work in school. This was just amazing Silva; thank you for telling me all about your understanding of emotions and your strategies to help support you in school.

Oscar D for producing excellent quality work all week across every subject.

Felicity P for excellent work in Science – learning about Charles Darwin.

Very well done to **all of Year 6** for their excellent levels of hard work and commitment towards improving their Maths and English since returning after Christmas. They have focused on challenging themselves and going outside of their comfort zones in order to achieve their full potential and this has led to significant improvements in their resilience levels. Huge well done and good luck next week in your assessments.

Many congratulations also to:

Lucas H for making a wonderful biscuit castle and for his superb writing, which told us all about how the castle was made.

Alice F for being awarded Student of the Month at her Muah Thai Boxing Club (Tiny Thai's.) This award is given for various reasons such as good listening, training hard, helping others, being kind, always trying their hardest and improvement. Well done Alice!

Eadie D for passing her Stage 3 Swimming.

I wish you all an enjoyable weekend.

Yours sincerely

Phil Goldsworthy