



### Spring Term 2019

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| 8 <sup>th</sup> March  | Dress up as book character and fun meal       |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> March | Y5 Tag Rugby League 12-3pm                    |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> March | Red Nose Day – dress in red                   |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup> March | Y4 performance at 1.30pm – both classes       |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> March | Parents Evening 5-8pm                         |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> March | Parents Evening 3.30-6pm                      |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> April  | Y3 performance at 9.15am to Donaldson parents |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> April  | Y3 performance at 9.15am to Pratchett parents |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> April  | Y3 performance at 9.15am to Potter parents    |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> April  | Last Day of Term – 2pm finish                 |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> April | Back to school                                |

### Severe Weather/School Closure Notification

Hertfordshire County Council has changed the way that you will be notified if a school is closed. Please sign up to the Everbridge system via the following link:

<https://member.everbridge.net/index/892807736725489>

This link will direct you to the “Sign Up” page where you should click on the “sign up” button and follow the instructions. It should take no more than five minutes to register and you can edit your information at any time should your contact details change. If you have children at more than one school, you can register for those schools too in a single registration process.

Please register as soon as possible so that your text and email alerts are set up.

Should it prove necessary to close the school we will also aim to communicate with parents and carers via Schoolcomms, our website and our Twitter account.

### This week:

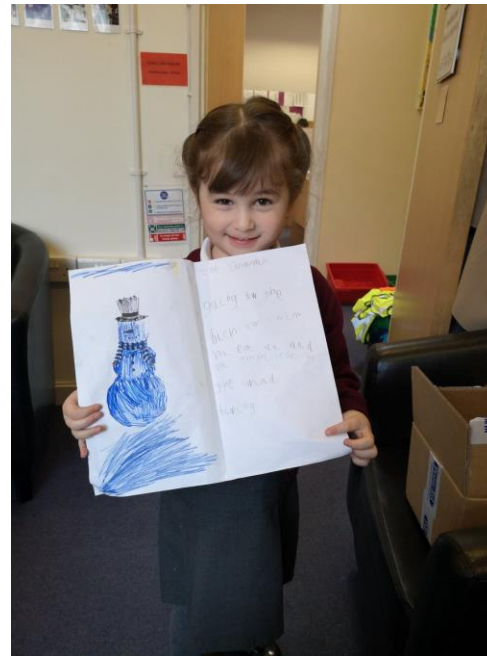
The topic of online safety has been prevalent this week and I felt it was important to raise this matter with you. We have discussed this amongst staff and I have attached three guides regarding Momo, WhatsApp and YouTube. I have asked teachers to talk to their classes, on an age appropriate level, about how to keep themselves safe online. It would be great if parents can do the same at home to reinforce the messages in the guides. There will be an e safety assembly next week for KS2 children to raise awareness further and I have booked an e safety evening for parents for Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June.

I am delighted to welcome back our Deputy Headteacher, Mrs Salt, from maternity leave.

Have a lovely weekend.

Rebecca Negrello

### Photos of the week:



Amazing work from Nursery!

## **Governor News**

I am pleased to confirm that Mandy Lyons has become our new Chair of Governors. Mandy is a Business Manager at another school in Hertfordshire and comes with a wealth of experience from being a Governor at her school for the past seven years. Jon Messenger continues to be a Governor and I would like to thank him for the huge amount of work he has contributed as Chair over the years.

## **Year 5 Maths Challenge**

Our amazing team of four children went to the Year 5 Maths Challenge led by Herts for Learning just before half term. This was one of eleven heats, and the winners and best runners up of the heats go through to a final in March. Our team came second only to Abbots Hill and still have a chance of making it to the final if we are one of the highest performing runners up. The children's teamwork was completely unrivalled - they were so calm and respectful of each other despite the pressure and difficulty of the tasks!



## **World Book Day – 8<sup>th</sup> March**

There will be dressing up as a book character on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March to celebrate World Book Week. We will also be offering a fun menu on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March. There are two choices only:

Horrid Henry's BBQ Chicken Burger  
Moody Margarita Sweetcorn Pizza

With baked potato wedges, favourite vegetable selection and Perfect Peter's chocolate orange cookie.

All children will be asked for their dinner choice on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2019. If they do not want option 1 or 2 then please provide a packed lunch from home on this day.

If your child normally has a school meal on this day you need take no further action. If your child does not normally have a School Meal on this day please make the additional payment for the meal on the School Gateway under World Book Day Fun menu 2019.

## **ALSA - School Lottery**

This week we attach a poster with details of the school lottery scheme – 40% of ticket sales go to ALSA to provide funds to support the school.

## **Outstanding dinner money**

Please check the School Gateway regularly to keep on top of outstanding dinner money. Please note dinner money payments should be received in advance.

### Girls Football

The girls have been busy this week completing four fixtures. They have made such improvements and have a wonderful team spirit; it's a pleasure to train them. Two of our matches we were unlucky and didn't manage to score a goal, despite many shots on target, we lost both of those games 1-0 against St Paul's and Tanners Wood. In our friendly match against Divine Saviour we managed to win 6-0 and in our final fixture of the week we played St Catherine's and won 6-2. Well done to the whole team, keep up the good work!



### Boys Football

The Boys' Year 6 football team had a fantastic day at Watford's amazing training facilities. The tournament was huge, with a total of 32 teams competing. We drew most of our games and ended with an impressive 3-0 victory. The football and movement displayed in that game was honestly the best seen in the whole tournament!

### Netball Club: Year 5

Spaces are available for netball club, Thursday after school till 4.15. Please collect a sign up form from the office.

### TTRockstars

The battles are back! Y3 vs Y4 and Y5 vs Y6 battles are up and running and the winners will be announced in assembly. There will be certificates for most valuable player and most improved!

### Attendance:

| Class        | Red <95% | Amber 95% | Green 96%+ |
|--------------|----------|-----------|------------|
| TiggYWinkles |          |           | 100        |
| Cotton Tails |          |           | 96.2       |
| Wonderland   | 90.1     |           |            |
| Neverland    |          |           | 96.3       |
| Blake        |          |           | 96.2       |
| Dahl         |          |           | 98.7       |
| Donaldson    | 93.4     |           |            |
| Potter       |          |           | 99.3       |
| Pratchett    | 90.4     |           |            |
| Blyton       |          |           | 98.6       |
| Rowling      |          |           | 96.6       |
| Fine         |          | 95        |            |
| Morpurgo     |          | 95.3      |            |
| Lewis        |          |           | 96.7       |
| Wells        |          | 95        |            |
| Rundell      |          |           | 98         |

Our overall attendance this week is 96%.

### Attachments:

Momo Online Safety Guide

WhatsApp safety Guide

YouTube safety guide

School Lottery