



Well done on World Book Day today. The costumes look amazing and there is a real buzz around school! It was lovely to see lots of people at parents evening this week. Everyone in Years 1 to 6 should have received the End of Year Expectations information sheet from class teachers. I hope you find this useful in supporting your child at home. If you didn't receive one, please ask the class teacher for a copy. Years 2 and 6 will have also received details regarding the upcoming SATs tests and Year 1 parents will be receiving a phonics information pack today, in preparation for the national phonics screening test in June. Having had parents ask me about testing, I hope this information will be useful to explain what is involved. With your help, we would like to prepare them as best we can. Have a great weekend. Rebecca Negrello

Parents' Phonics Session – Tuesday 13th March

This Tuesday, we are running a session for parents on supporting your children with phonics and reading. It will take place at 1.30pm and will last for just over an hour so feel free to stay afterwards for a cup of tea. This is open to all parents. Please come along as Mrs Quinn is excellent and very passionate about this subject!

Thanks to ALSA!

Further to ALSA's newsletter this week, the school would like to say a massive thank you to those who volunteer for ALSA and for everything they do! They raise a fantastic amount of money, which goes directly back to the children.

This year, staff have been invited to make funding requests for resources and experiences, which the children will benefit from. We thought you would like to know what the money has been spent on so far:

- Essential Maths planning resources and equipment – Years 1-6
- Computing workshops – All year groups
- Guided reading resources – Year 3
- Outdoor construction resources – EYFS
- Badminton racquets – Years 5-6
- Sensory room resources – All Year groups
- Imaginary play resources – Nursery
- BigWig Living Willow Kit (forest school) – All Year groups

Year 5 Secondary Transfer Testing

- Parmiter's School
 - Queens' School
 - Rickmansworth School
 - St Clement Danes School
 - Watford Grammar School for Boys
 - Watford Grammar School for Girls
 - Croxley Danes School (Music aptitude only)
- Croxley Danes test is now 13th September not 14th as per their original letter.**

The academic testing for these schools for September 2019 admissions will take place in September 2018. Parents will be asked to register their child with the Consortium between **30th April 2018 and 22nd June 2018**. The best way to do this is via the SW Herts

Admissions Consortium website. If you have any initial queries, please **contact any of the Consortium schools direct**.

Year 1 Sports Relief Cycle Ride

Hugo Birchall in Year 1 has been keen to raise money for charity to help people not as fortunate as him and he thought Sport Relief was a good opportunity to do this. He has decided to do a cycle ride around Abbots Langley and now has 17 of his friends doing it with him! They will be cycling and scooting a 3 mile route around the village starting and finishing in Manor Park on Sunday 18th March.

Here is their just giving page if you would like to donate to this great cause:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/abbots-langley-year-one-3-miles>.

Music Invoices

There are lots of payments still outstanding, which should have been paid by today. Please pay on the Gateway ASAP. Don't forget to over type the minimum amount with the actual amount as per your invoice.

Mathletics

Well done to everyone who is accessing Mathletics! Keep going. Certificates are piling up in my office as we missed last week's assemblies due to snow and author visits so I will make sure they are given out next week.

Sports Relief

Some of our Year 5 pupils are really keen to raise as much money as possible for Sports Relief and have asked me to encourage people to go to Sainsburys to buy the Sports Relief wrist bands.

Year 6 Secondary School Visits

I have organised a workshop to support the Year 6 children in their transition to secondary school. The workshop is called Challenges and Change and will run in June. The secondary schools usually contact us next term to arrange visits here, when they meet the children and talk to teachers. Then there is also the opportunity for all children to visit their secondary schools in July.

Y4 Concert

We're looking forward to the Year 4 concerts next week. You should have received 4 tickets to your class's performance. If you wish to switch tickets amongst yourselves, this is no problem as children will be performing on both days.

Carnival: Year 3

Year 3 parents are meeting to discuss the carnival and what the Year 3 children will be doing this year. The meeting is on Thursday 22nd March at 8pm at the Royal Oak.

Letters sent out last/this week:

Yr6: Leavers hoodies

Yr5: Secondary Testing Dates

All: Sports Relief.