

11th March 2019

World Book Day

Thank you for all your hard work making costumes for our World Book Day on Friday. The children looked fantastic and they all really enjoyed showing off their costumes to the staff and to each other.

As staff we did debate for a long time if we should have a theme such as characters from Julia Donaldson's books or to just let children come as any book character, like we have done before. We wanted the children to really think about books and the stories and characters in those books and this theme seems to have done that. We did not want to make things extra hard for parents, however, from a school point of view the children are talking about different Julia Donaldson stories and books in a way that last year, when a lot of boys came as superheroes and a lot of girls were Disney princesses, did not happen.

We also debated having the dressing up day on the actual World Book Day which was Thursday, or on the Friday. We traditionally dress up on Friday as the children get so excited we do special one off work on that day. Having a dress up day mid-week can make the following day's lessons tricky, especially if those lessons require aspects from the previous lesson which would have been a few days before.

We would be very interested in your feedback on our World Book Day. If you could take the time to fill in the questionnaire below it would help us decide what to do next year.

Upcoming Events

15 March 2019

Red Nose Day - Non uniform, donation of £1.00 12-1pm Red Nose Day lunch 18 March 2019 9-10am Year R&1 Parents in to watch Writing 1-3pm Kangaroo Class local walk 19 March 2019 1-3pm Tiger Class local walk 21 March 2019 Year 2 Kew Gardens Trip 26 March 2019 2.45pm Zebra Class Assembly 29 March 2019 Mother's Day Lunch – times will be sent out nearer the time 1 April 2019 Year R – Farm visiting school 2 April 2019 2.45pm Penguin Class Assembly 4 April 2019 5.15-6.15pm FoBS Disco 5 April 2019 3.15pm End of Term 3.15pm FoBS Easter Egg hunt

World Book Day Parents Questionnaire

Should the dressing up be focused to help inspire children with particular stories?

Should the dressing up have no theme letting the children/parents choose?

Should the dressing up be on the actual World Book Day?

Should the dressing up be on the Friday to support a better flow of uninterrupted learning?

Please write any other comments on the back and return to school. Thank you

Year 1 and Year R Parents Writing Session Monday 18th March 9:00 to 10:00

On Monday the 18th March we would like to invite you to come and work with your child to see how we teach them to write. This will be a great opportunity for your child to show you the work they are doing in class and for you to see how the staff in school support your child. This will give you some good ideas about how to support your child at home with their writing.

To ensure that every child can focus on their work with you we ask that for this session younger siblings do not attend.

The teachers will not have the chance to talk to you individually about your child's work but if you have any questions following the session then please speak to the class teacher and arrange a convenient time to meet after school.

If you are free to attend then please come into your child's class with them in the morning. If you need to drop younger children off first, that's fine please come through the main school office.

If you have children in two different classes then we suggest you spend half the session with one and then half the session with the other. Just let your child's class teachers know which order you will be doing it so they can remind your child if they get upset.



