

CHARITY NEWS

We are supporting the Marie Curie Great Daffodil Appeal again this year. Daffodil badges will be for sale in school for a suggested cost of £1.00. Last year we raised just over £60.00 so let's see if we can do better this year.



On Friday 15th March we will be holding a non-uniform day to raise money for Comic Relief. The children can wear usual school uniform but with a splash of red, if they bring a donation for this charity.

Staffing News

Mrs Whelan, one of our Year 2 teachers, has been on maternity leave and will be returning to school on Monday 18th March to resume working part time in 2HP with Mrs Pollitt. Miss Horwood will be leaving school on 13th March and we wish her all the best for her future career.

I am pleased to be able to let you know that Mrs Callander, who has been off sick, will be coming back to school on a phased return over the next few weeks and hopefully back fulltime after the Easter Holidays. We are all delighted that she will return to her TA role in class 1HB.

ATTENDANCE



Class Attendance so far this Year
1CW 96.7%



F2SC 95.8% F2GC 96.5% 1HB 95.5% 2HP 96.4% 2JB 95.1%

Well done class 1CW!

Trim Trail

A huge thank you to FOGIS for supporting school to be able to remove the old trim trail and replace it with a wonderful new area for the KS1 children to use. The grass is still rooting but the area will be ready for use after the Easter Break. Without the financial support from FOGIS this would not have been possible. Thank you from all the staff and children.



GREASBY INFANT SCHOOL



February 2024

Dear Parents

It was a very busy half term with so many lovely activities taking place. Including our Chinese New Year celebrations, Childrens Mental Health Week and of course Pancake Day. I hope you all had a wonderful half term break and I hope the Year of the Dragon brings everyone lots of luck and happiness.

Mrs Tomkinson

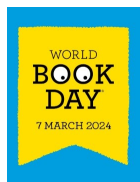


DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



MARCH

5th	Tea on Tuesday pm visit for selection of KS1 children
6th	Rocksteady catch up session
7th	World Book Day
8th	FOGIS Onesie-upon-a-time 6-7pm
Week beginning 11th	Parent-Teacher Meetings by appointment
11th	Rocksteady catch up session
11th, 12th & 13th	Book Fair 3.15-4.15pm in Tech Room, use Barker Lane entrance
15th	Red Nose Day—wear a splash of red
18th	Whole School visit to St Nicholas Church for Easter Assembly am
22nd	Mini Marathon to raise money for Asthma and Lung UK
26th	Foundation Stage Easter Celebration Afternoon 1.30pm (more details to follow)
27th	Year 2 Easter Celebration Morning 9.15am (more details to follow)
27th	Year 1 Easter Celebration Afternoon 1.30pm (more details to follow)
28th	Rock Steady Concert 2.30pm
28th	End of Spring Term—non-uniform day
29th March-12th April	Spring Break



World Book Day

Thursday 7th March is World Book Day and we will be celebrating throughout the week with lots of different book related activities.

On World Book Day children can come dressed as a character from their favourite book. The staff love to see the most original homemade outfits.

We are also looking for mystery readers to offer to read a story to the children in our special story tent. If you are able to support this activity or would like any more information please contact the school office or Mrs Clark.



Wooden Spoon Book Character Competition- if your child would like to, they can enter our competition to design a book character on a wooden spoon. All entries should be brought in on World Book Day and there will be a prize for the most original one in each class. (Name & Class on the spoon please). Following World Book Day, we will use these wooden spoons to create a WBD display in the school library.

Children's Mental Health Week

The theme of Children's Mental Health Week, this year was "My Voice Matters". Organisers, Place2Be, say that this is about empowering children to be able to express themselves.

We began the week with a special assembly discussing our worries and how talking about them can help us feel better. We read the story Ruby's Worry and then created our Greasby Jar of Smiles, which children have added to throughout the week.



Members of the Flourish team came into school and worked with each class focusing on developing resilience, overcoming challenges and recognising our own "super-powers".



Everyone had a wonderful week and enjoyed all the different activities as well as learning some new strategies to support their own mental health and wellbeing.



RECENT ACTIVITIES

Chinese New Year Celebrations 2024



The children have enjoyed taking part in a range of activities to celebrate the Chinese New Year. During the celebrations the children explored different activities around the theme of the Year of the Dragon. The children learnt about traditional Chinese New Year stories and found out that 2024 is the year of the Dragon.



People born in the Year of the Dragon are known for being charismatic, intelligent, confident, powerful and they are naturally lucky and gifted.



The children in KS1 enjoyed lots of creative activities making decorations for their Chinese New Year celebrations. These included making flags, lanterns, dragons and willow pattern plates.



The Foundation Stage children had lots of fun with their dragon parade and learning about the different zodiac characters. They also enjoyed tasting Chinese food and making decorations for their special Chinese New Year celebration.



The week ended with a special Chinese New Year celebration assembly, where each class shared their work and the things they had learnt throughout the week.

Pancake Day—The whole school had lots of fun when Mrs Tomkinson and Mrs Cooper made pancakes in assembly on Shrove Tuesday. We learnt a lot about Pancake Day traditions and about Lent as well as having fun during our special assembly.

