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Good afternoon everyone,

It has been really lovely to see everyone in their World Book Day outfits this week. I know most of the children get very excited about dressing up and there has certainly been a buzz around school. Even Sandy dressed up in a snowman outfit – although he was pleased when I took it off him.

We would really appreciate anyone coming in to hear children read on a regular basis. If you have a spare hour which you could “donate” I am confident we can find children to read to you. This is particularly helpful lower down the school where the children benefit greatly from reading to a range of people regularly. If you think you could help with this please have a chat with either myself or the class teachers.

Thank you to everyone who donated to help the people of Ukraine. I know the items will be very gratefully received. I cannot even begin to imagine the fear and worry they are living through and also their friends and relatives at this time. It is still possible to drop supplies at Kingsland Church, or alternatively Mrs Higham has offered to take any items donated to school.

If you want to donate money, there are a number of charities providing humanitarian relief in Ukraine.

- [Donate to the Disasters Emergency Committee Ukraine Appeal](#)

The UK Government will match public donations to this appeal pound-for-pound starting with £20 million.

(This information was taken from the Government website)

On the afternoon of Wednesday 9th March, Mrs Cook will be undertaking some mental health first aid training. This means the office may be understaffed at this time. Please try to avoid calling in if possible.

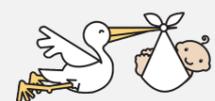
If your personal details or consents have changed please notify the office.



Upcoming Events

- 8th & 10th March** Rearranged Learning Conferences for KS2
- 9th March** Mrs Cook training so office is understaffed
- 10th March** 2.30pm Parent Café
- 12th March** Parent Working Party
- 14th March** Science Week
- 29th March** Full Governing Body meeting
- 31st March** Easter Service TBC
- 1st April** Last day of Spring Term
- 2nd – 18th April** Easter Holidays
- 19th April** Summer Term Begins
- SAVE THE DATE**
- 2nd July FoF Summer Fair**

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs McMillan on the news that they will be welcoming a new addition to their family in the Autumn term.



More Important News

Many of you have spoken about Parent Coffee mornings, which I think probably happened in the time before Covid. I am very keen to meet people and now that Covid restrictions have been lifted I am once more able to offer a Parent Café. Our first one will be on Thursday 10th March from 2.30pm until 3.15pm and anyone is welcome to drop in for a cup of tea or coffee. I thought it would be useful to have a theme for the meeting and so this time we will chat about the reviewed Behaviour Policy. I look forward to meeting with those of you who are able to come along. I will sort out dates for the Summer Term so that I can give plenty of notice in future.

I am looking forward to the Working Party on Saturday 12th March. We have a few volunteers, but there are a number of people who are unable to attend. We will set another date to tidy the Forest School area. For this working party session, we will focus on preparing the area to erect the new polytunnel. If there are more people, we will look at other small jobs such as jet washing the roof of the walkway. If you could let Mrs Cook know if you plan to come along and help it will help us with the catering (bacon rolls or veggie alternative)

Finally, a gentle reminder about PE kit, which is part of our school uniform. Children are expected to come to school in their PE kit on a Wednesday and Friday. PE kit comprises:

Black or White Plimsolls (Velcro Fastening for Class 1 & 2 please)
Trainers – for outdoor PE
White T-Shirt
Navy jogging bottoms (plain)
Navy jumper (plain)

We have noticed some variation in what children are wearing for PE and this is leading to a less than smart appearance. We find it is better for behaviour and team spirit if all children are in school uniform. It is also very important that long hair is tied back for school. Not only does it help children to focus on their work without getting hair in their eyes, but it is also safer when running around and ultimately stops the spread of headlice. Thank you for your help with this.

Wishing you a lovely weekend

Julie Ingram

In the Community

School website

Mrs McMillan will be adding information and updating the website over the next few weeks. Please do visit the site to keep up to date with all that is going on in school.

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The Prayer for Peace in the World

*Almighty God,
from whom all thoughts of truth and
peace proceed:
kindle in the hearts of all people the
true love of peace;
and guide with your pure and peaceable
wisdom
those who take counsel for the nations
of the earth;
that in tranquillity your kingdom may
go forward,
till the earth is filled with the
knowledge of thy love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

