St Andrew's C of E Infant School Newsletter Ist March 2024 ____

Message from Mrs. Woan:

Thank you all for your continued support with all the events we do in school. We try only to ask for small amounts of money as we know every penny counts but we also are trying to provide experiences for the children to enjoy without parents having to spend a lot.

The PTFA have been busy planning some Easter evets so keep your eye on the dates below.







Shining stars awards this week go to:

Ladybirds: Leo

Honeybees: William Butterflies: Louella

Owls: Finley

Kingfishers: Bruno Dragonflies: Isla



Forgiveness is our current

school value

Ladybirds: William Honeybees: Hugh Butterflies: Alicia

Owls: Archie

Kingfishers: Savannah

Dragonflies: Viola

'Just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must also forgive others.' Colossians 3:13



Weekly Attendance Scores

Ladybirds: 89% Honeybees: 94%

Owls: 99%

Butterflies: 92% Kingfishers: 96% Dragonflies: 92%

> Best Class of The Week is: Owls

Staffing News

Mrs Martin joined us today in school. She has almost finished her maternity leave after having twins Joey and Pip.

Mrs Martin will be job sharing in Butterflies with Mrs Davies.

Mrs Davies will be teaching Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Mrs. Martin will be teaching Thursday and Friday.

Both teachers are very experienced and will be working closely together.

Mrs McDade will continue to be the fulltime Teaching Assistant in Butterflies and Mrs Ashcroft will also support in class some of the time.





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Diary Dates

- PTFA colouring competition -colouring sheets will be sent home 11th March judging takes place on 25th March
- 'Mother's' Day Coffee and Cake 6th March Book via school spider.
- · World Book Day 7th March
- The Biggest Girls' Football Event 8th March in school
- Year 2 Trip to the Vehicle museum 8th March
- Easter Bingo-14th March starts at 6pm.
- PTFA Easter Egg decorating competition 25th March-children decorate eggs at home and bring on in 25th March for judging
- Easter service at Church-Year I leading the service Tuesday 26th March 9.30 am. Families are welcome.
- Thursday 28th March school closes for the Easter holidays at 1.15pm. There will be NO KIDS' CLUB AFTER SCHOOL on this day
- Year 2 Leavers Service (book your time off work in advance) Thursday
 18th July 9.30am.

World Book Day

Thursday 7th March

This year we are keeping everything very simple and cost free! Your child can come to school dressed as an adjective, e.g. red, spotty, vibrant, stripy, cold, hot.

Biscuit Decorating Competition Winners

Well done to everyine who took part in the 'Biscuit Decorating Competition.' Jo the cook had such a difficult job judging them. All the entries were amazing! The children loved buying and eating them too!



Hattie in Honeybees



Ollie in Butterflies



Ester in Dragonflies



Zara in Kingfishers



Ali in Owls



Charlie in Ladybirds















BOB's Book of Brilliance

Dragonflies: Mathilda for explanations about Easter symbols and use of interesting vocabulary, Olivia for improved writing in 2 subjects, Finley and Esme for writing science reports about plants.

Kingfishers: Charlie for great reading comprehension. Ralph, Bruno, Oliver, Leah, Erin, Ted and Rory for excellent character descriptions.

Owls: Rupert, Finley, Harry, Winter, Maisy for improved independent writing about the naughty Troll, Niamh for maths work. Freddie for writing a detailed character description.

Butterflies: Alicia for descriptive writing information, Arlo for phonics work, Lincoln for making a wonderful Easter garden, Minnie and Ollie for wonderful acting skills.

Reception classes: Olivia, Xeria, Fia, Ivy, Amelia J, William, Sam, Millie R, Soffia, Coby, Zander, Felix, Alice, Jake, Sophia, Abi, William, Evie-Lynn, Reign for independent writing about Evil Pea.

These children have worked extra hard. A huge well done!





Grandad wheels came to see us this week and what a brilliant event it was. The children asked some really interesting and thoughtful questions about what it is like to live with a disability. They loved the stories he told. They also enjoyed designing a new wheel chair. Some of the wheelchairs had wings and rocket turbo boosters!

Through the 'Jumpathon' the children raised £129 for Grandad Wheels' charities. Thank you for your support.

If you want to find out more about Grandad Wheels and buy his children's books follow the link.

https://www.grandadwheels.com/





The children said:

- Ronnie: "Grandad Wheels visited us on Tuesday and he was happy to meet us".
- · Rory: "He came to tell us about how he ended up in a wheelchair".
- Ralph: "Some people sometimes need wheelchairs if they hurt their spine or fall over. I enjoyed listening to his story".
- Leah: "Grandad Wheels wanted us to create our own wheelchair. I put a
 grabber hand on mine so that he could reach the chocolate".

St. Andrew's to Woodlea - Transition dates for Year 2 children









Y2 children to Family Celebration Assemblies, 9.05am Friday 1st March Friday 26th April (Y2 parents to also be invited)

Summer I - Friday afternoons small group sessions 3rd May, 10th May, 17th May

Summer 2 - Whole year group x sessions for full afternoon 1.30pm-2.30pm Friday 7th, 14th June

Summer 2 - Year 2 Parents Information evening - 6pm Thursday 13th June

Summer 2 - Buddies in year 5 write to year 2 children

Summer 2 - Buddies and Year 2 picnic lunch - 12pm-2pm Wednesday 10th July

Summer 2 - Moving Up Day Friday July 5th

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