




WHAT'S ON

FRIDAY 13TH MARCH 2020

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DIARY DATES

ALL CLUBS ON NEXT WEEK

TUE 17TH MAR, 8.55AM
Family Learning Time

FRI 20TH MAR, 3.10PM
Cake Sale in playground


WED 26TH MAR, 3.30 – 6PM
Parents Evening

THU 27TH MAR, 5.30 – 8PM
Parents Evening


SCHOOL LUNCH

Next week's lunch menu will be [Week 2 – details here.](#)


SHOOTING STARS!

GRETCHEN for her excellent attitude to learning & always striving to improve her work! 


JACK for his joyfulness and for making everyone smile!

LEXIE for making wonderful links to other texts we have read! 


ANNABELLE for trying really hard in Maths!

LUKE A for having an excellent attitude in handwriting! 


BETSY for being independent during Maths!

ROSIE F-S for detailed artwork! 

LOUIE for showing enthusiasm during our moon topic!

AUDREY for writing a sentence about her picture! 

EDIE-MAY for working hard with her reading!

CHARLIE T for working hard in 

MESSAGE FROM MRS CASTELL

Firstly, I wanted to assure you that both the infant and junior schools are continuing to follow advice from Public Health England in respect of Coronavirus. We are working closely with the Local Authority, Public Health England and the Department of Education and we will inform parents and carers immediately should there be any further information. Please also note the most recent guidance from the government regarding self-isolation in the event of mild symptoms.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-people-with-confirmed-or-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

Another week has whizzed by – thank you to parents for persevering with the traffic to get to school! We were thoroughly entertained by Parrots class assembly on Tuesday morning and we have been singing "Reach for the Stars" all week! We had a fantastic whistlestop tour through the curriculum and the children were a joy to watch. Thank you Miss Wilson and Mrs Raymond.

We are having a brilliant day today for Sport Relief. The children have done their golden mile in the playground and lots of Jump Start Jonny workouts. We have also focussed on mindfulness to promote mental as well as physical health. Thank you so much for your donations, we raised over £140.

On Monday we invite parents once again to read with their children from 8.45am. We have Family Learning Time on Tuesday 17th March. Unfortunately due to long term staff absences we cannot offer a crèche on that date, as any LSAs not attached to a class will be covering missing staff. Year 2 parents have been informed separately about the postponement of the Infant Music Festival – we hope that this will be rescheduled for the summer term.

Some of our Foxes parents are running the London Marathon on Sunday 26th April, so on Friday 20th March they will holding a cake sale after school in the playground to raise money for their chosen charity, Action Against Hunger.

We were lucky to have an overwhelming response to the Bikeability course, so for this year we will only be able to offer places to Years 1 and 2. Foundation Stage will get their turn next year. If you wish your child to take part, please return your consent form to the school and send your £10 payment directly to Essex County Council, details are on the form.

YEAR 2 NEWS

This week we have immersed ourselves in The Moon Dragons text. The children have explored the two main characters in the story (Alina and the King). They have used inference skills to identify the characters actions, emotions and thoughts. They impressed us with their acting skills too as they took turns reading extracts from the story with expression and in role. We hope you have noticed the children using a wider range of vocabulary. There has been a noticeable difference when the children are answering questions, giving explanations and in their descriptive writing. Everyone has continued to have fun exploring fractions. Our focus this week has been on understanding wholes and parts. We have counted in halves and quarters forwards and backwards. The children did this practically before any recording. They enjoyed using fruit and Kit-Kats to demonstrate counting in halves, quarters and wholes. We hope to see you at Family Learning Time next Tuesday.

[Home learning and spellings are published on our website.](#)

class, tidying up well & joining in our lessons with enthusiasm!
ISAAC for working hard at his writing & always trying his best!

READERS OF THE WEEK!
OLIVIA, SAM, KITTY, NAVAYAH, HENRY M, PIPER

LISTENERS OF THE WEEK!
ETHAN, BERTIE, ISLA, ERIN N, LOLA, HANNAN

COMMUNITY LINKS



[A Co-op membership card raises money for our Hub if you nominate our cause!](#)

YEAR 1 NEWS

Well done Parrots for such a fun assembly! You have all worked so hard and Miss Wilson is so proud of all of you! This week the children have continued to work on their topic 'The Marvellous Moon Map' and listened to two different pieces of music. They then imagined the story and how the characters may be feeling if that music was in the background. It was super fun and imaginative and allowed us to interpret the characters feelings. In Maths we have been measuring different weights and capacities. We compared the different weights of objects using non-standard units of measurement. The children have worked so hard this week in Maths, so well done to you all! We also told the children the Easter story, the children acted out different parts and looked at the different symbols relating to Easter.

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FOUNDATION STAGE NEWS

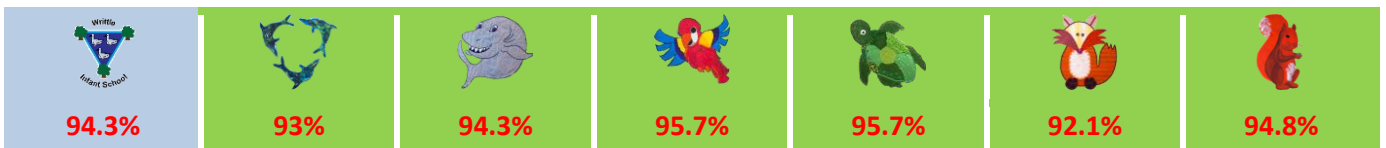
We learnt the Poem 'Spring Wind' this week and it was a perfect poem for the weather this week! We have talked about Spring and the changes that happen. We have also learnt about baby animals on the farm. During PE we practised jumping in and out of hoops and having a go at swinging the hoop on our arms and some of us could even Hula! In Maths we have been comparing numbers to 10. We had a fun time with sweets (pretend ones) in boxes. We had to compare who had the most and least with two people. Less is a tricky concept to understand. We challenged children to tell us how many more sweets one person had than the other - that was very tricky! We used a 'tens frame' to find out. We will show you the 'tens frame' at Family Learning Time on Tuesday! Have a lovely weekend.

[This week's Tapestry Challenge is published on our website.](#)

NOTICES

- ★ Please check the leaflets and noticeboards in our reception area for details of local and community events, holiday childcare and support for children's health issues.

ATTENDANCE (Target 97%)



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