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**Newsletter 21**

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

## **Dates for your diary**

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February** – **Training-day** – school closed to pupils

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February** – Photos taken of children learning in school (not individual, just look smart in your uniform!)

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February** – **Spanish Club delayed start... watch this space**

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February** – Parents Evening (see email sent 15.2.24 to book)

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February** – Parents Evening (see email sent 15.2.24 to book)

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March** – Whole-school Cricket taster day – all classes to wear PE kit

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March** – Year 5 to visit the Central Mosque, Birmingham (more info next term)

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March** – World Book Day (more details below!)

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March** – Comic Relief -wear your pyjamas to school. £1 donation, on ParentPay

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March** – Easter Service, 2pm

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March** – **LAST DAY OF TERM**

## **Half-term**

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April** – **FIRST DAY OF TERM**

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April** – Book Fair in school – Deene Class – 3pm

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April** – Book Fair in school – Lilford Class – 3pm

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April** – Book Fair in school – Lamport Class – 3pm

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April** – Book Fair in school – Rockingham Class – 3pm

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May** – **BANK HOLIDAY**

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May** – Year 6 SATs week

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May** – School Year Group photos

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May** – Last day of term



## A note from the PSA

It's February already and spring is in the air! Thank you for the chocolate donations and pounds on Valentine's Day, these will be put to good use later in the year.

After half term we have **Mother's Day** coming up - if you would like your child to bring you home a little gift (we can't ruin the surprise) you can order this now on ParentPay. We will also be starting to take donations for your chance to win a gift voucher, just £3 gets you and entry into our raffle to win a voucher worth a minimum value of £10. Happy half term everyone!

## Values Champions

**This half-term, the school is recognising it's value of 'forgiveness'.**

We had 2 sets of Values Champs this week due to a double-whammy Celebration Assembly week! Congratulations to all of those who achieved a certificate this week. If it was awarded for a specific piece of work, it will be proudly displayed on our 'Wow Wall!'



We have 5 new members of the 144 Club too! Wyatt was awarded a certificate for showing Forgiveness to a friend who accidentally knocked him during a lego game, whilst Hattie and Imogen were nominated for showing such kindness and care every single day in their classroom and around school. Thank you and well done to all!



**Next term we are recognising the value of 'Perseverance'**



## Woodford After-school Club and Transport

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As Woodford School are no longer offering an after-school club on Fridays, we have had to review whether we are still able to provide transport to Woodford moving forwards due to rising costs.

For Mondays to Thursdays, the club should be booked through Woodford School directly on 01933 733221. If a space is available, the transport should then be booked through ParentPay. However, they currently have a waiting list, therefore unless you already have a regular booking, it is unlikely that you will be able to secure a space at short notice.

**In the meantime, we can continue to offer transport to Woodford on Fridays until the Easter holidays, for the children that live in the village only.**

From week commencing 15<sup>th</sup> April, we will only be able to continue to offer transport on Fridays should it be able to cover its own costs. Therefore, all children regardless of where they live, that use the transport, must book the minibus through ParentPay at a cost of £1.00 per day.

Please can you confirm by email whether you will use the transport on Fridays after Easter by the deadline of **15<sup>th</sup> March**, so we are able to decide on whether we can continue to offer this service on Fridays. Thank you for your patience and support with this.



## Chinese New Year

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Deene have been learning all about Chinese New Year this week and enjoy teaching Lilford class about what they have learnt too! We have explored how the New Year is celebrated, what colours are worn, and heard the story of The Great Race before acting it out in the playground. We also enjoyed some delicious traditional Chinese Cuisine! Happy 'Year of the Dragon'!

Deene also had a visit from Mrs Kyberd this week and loved meeting Olivia!



## Love is in the air...

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Thank you to you all for participating in our Valentine's Day celebrations by wearing red and bringing donations for the raffle or PSA. The children also made the link between the day and our school value and enjoyed sharing/showing love to their friends and teachers too.



## World Book Day – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March

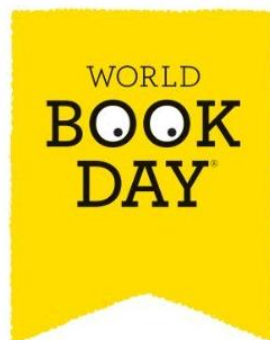
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On **Thursday 7th March** we would love you to come to school dressed as your favourite book characters! Please also bring the book with you of the character you are dressed as - we will be doing lots of sharing of stories across the day (make sure your book is named!) as we celebrate the joy of reading. I wonder where your favourite place to read is?

£1 book tokens will be sent out with the children tonight. These can be redeemed for a free book. Check your nearest participating bookseller at

[www.worldbookday.com/participating-retailers](http://www.worldbookday.com/participating-retailers).

We can't wait to see your costumes and spend the whole day celebrating the awesomeness of  
**BOOKS!**



Have a lovely half-term! See you all on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February.

**Lucy Kingsnorth,**

**Principal**