

World Book Day

Thursday 2nd March is World Book Day and we are celebrating by doing 'something booky'! Children are invited to **dress up** as a book character and bring their favourite book along to school to share with others. Follow this link to see some cheap and cheerful ideas for costumes: <http://www.worldbookday.com/dressing-up/> Please note we are not using the day as a fundraiser and children do not need to bring any money to school.



Attendance Challenge

Results for the week 20th – 24th February:

Position	Class	Attendance
1st	4W	100%
2nd	3R	99.58%
3rd	3T	99.17%

Whole school attendance
96.75% ↑

Number of late arrivals
11 ↓



£1320 anyone?

Nottinghamshire County Council have issued a press release urging parents/carers to check whether their child is eligible for Pupil Premium funding – an annual sum, currently £1320 per child, which is paid directly to the school to provide additional support and/or enriched educational opportunities.

To check if your child qualifies, simply go to:
www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals

OR call **0300 500 8080**

Any member of our office team will be happy to help you if you need any support or advice.

To read the press release in full and find out further information follow this link:

<http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/pressreleases/show/parents-urged-not-to-miss-out-on-extra-funding-for-their-childs-education>

Sign2Sing

The final total raised by our Sign2Sing Sing-a-thon is **£229**. Thank you very much to everybody who contributed to this worthy cause, supporting the SignHealth Charity.

School Meal Price Increase

With effect from Tuesday 18th April, the cost of a school meal is increasing to **£2.29** per day. Please ensure you top up your Squid accounts accordingly. Please see the information in the box above about how to check whether your child may be eligible for free school meals.

Safeguarding Updates

We have recently reviewed our safeguarding and child protection practices and have made the following two changes:

1. When groups of children are travelling off site for activities e.g. sporting competitions, school staff will provide transport with staff members or volunteers who have an enhanced DBS certificate. Where parents/carers transport their own children, or agree with others to co-operate in transporting children to and from venues as a private arrangement, the health and safety of young people is the responsibility of the parents/carers concerned.
2. Photographs of children used in school publications, including on the website, will be published anonymously. Where a child's name is used to publicise an achievement or celebration, a photograph will not be used simultaneously.

The school's Child Protection Policy is published in full on the school's website, together with the Use of Photographs and Video Policy. Please speak to any member of staff if you have any queries about our important work in this area.

Spectacular Sushi



As a spectacular finale to their term's study of Michael Morpurgo's novel "Kensuke's Kingdom" which touches on Japanese culture, Year 6 have made sushi. The vegetarian recipe was followed by a scrumptious tasting session of both the sushi (dipped in soy sauce) and wasabi sauce (hot, hot, hot!). The results looked very professional and were enjoyed by all.



Diary Dates - 27th February 2017

MARCH 2017

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| Wednesday 1 st March | - Foundation walk to Sutton Library 1.30pm - 3.00pm |
| Thursday 2 nd March | - WORLD BOOK DAY - Dress up as a favourite character |
| Thursday 2 nd March | - Foundation, Y1 & Y2 Film club in hall at 3.30pm |
| Tuesday 14 th March | - Foundation visit to Palace Theatre, Mansfield |
| Tuesday 14 th March | - Parents Evening 4.00pm - 6.00pm |
| Thursday 16 th March | - Parents Evening 4.00pm - 7.00pm |
| Thursday 23 rd March | - KS2 Film club in school hall at 3.30pm |
| Monday 27 th March | - Years 3 & 4 performance of Evacuees at 2.15pm |
| Tuesday 28 th March | - Years 3 & 4 performance of Evacuees at 2.15pm |
| Wednesday 29 th March | - Years 3 & 4 performance of Evacuees at 7.00pm |
| Thursday 30 th March | - Y5 visit to Harry Potter World |
| Friday 31 st March | - Last day at school (Easter Holidays) |

APRIL 2017

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| Tuesday 18 th April | - Pupils back to school |
| Thursday 20 th April | - FS, Y1 & Y2 Music through the Ages Disco 5.00 - 6.00 |
| Thursday 20 th April | - KS2 Music through the Ages Disco 6.15pm - 7.45pm |

MAY 2017

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| Monday 1 st May | - School Closed - May Day |
| Monday 8 th May | - Y6 SATs Week |
| Monday 15 th May | - Y2 SATs Week |
| Tuesday 16 th May | - Book Fair in school hall 3.30pm - 4.30pm |
| Wednesday 17 th May | - Book Fair in school hall 3.30pm - 4.30pm |
| Thursday 18 th May | - Book Fair in school hall 3.30pm - 4.30pm |
| Monday 22 nd May | - Y2 SATs Week |
| Friday 26 th May | - Y6 Residential visit to Kingswood, West Runton |
| Friday 26 th May | - INSET DAY |
| Monday 29 th May | - School Closed (May half-term holiday) |
| Monday 29 th May | - Y6 return from Kingswood, West Runton |

JUNE 2017

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| Monday 5 th June | - INSET DAY |
| Tuesday 6 th June | - Pupils back to school |

FUTURE DATES

Y1 & Y2 PHONICS CHECK WEEK 12th - 16th June 2017

Y2 pupils will also be tested during May. Avoid taking your child out of school at this time and in the weeks before, when test preparation takes place.