



Newsletter 21

8th March 2024

Dear Parents

World Book Day

It was a joy to see the different outfits the children came to school dressed up in on Thursday in celebration of World Book Day. I hope they enjoyed wearing their costumes and sharing their books as much as we enjoyed seeing them. Please don't forget to use your World Book Day token before the 31st March to claim a free book or get £1 off towards any full price book at a number of local retailers.

Bikeability Competition

Some of our Year 1 children attended Medway Park last week along with nine other schools to take part in a Bikeability competition run by Greenacre Sports Partnership. The children did us proud and thoroughly enjoyed being part of the event. Well done to all who took part!



Road Safety

On Wednesday 13th March Year 1 will be taking part in Road Safety Workshops. Each class will have the opportunity to learn about the importance of road safety from a Road Safety Officer. The children will be going on a short walk around the local area to increase their knowledge of correct roadside behaviour when walking, identify pavements, kerbs, traffic and safe places to cross, understanding the importance of holding hands and knowing how to cross a road using the Green Cross Code (Stop Look Listen Think).

Please could you ensure the children bring a warm coat to school for the walk. Thank you.



One Picture Exhibition

We look forward to seeing you at our One Picture art exhibition on Thursday next week in our school hall from 2:40-3:30 pm. A reminder that you are invited to collect your child early to enjoy the exhibition with them at the times below if you wish to do so. Children not collected early at the times stated below will be released as normal at 3.10p.m. Children will be released from their usual doors.

Year R at 2:40 pm Year One at 2:50pm
Year Two at 3pm

Wear Red for Red Nose Day

A reminder that children are invited to wear red to school in support of Red Nose Day next Friday 15th March. You will be able to donate to the charity via our donation bucket which will be in the playground before and after school or by sending monies into school with your child in an envelope marked 'Red Nose Day'. Thank you.



NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe

Speak Out Stay Safe is a programme for children aged 5-11. It aims to help children understand

abuse in all its forms and to recognise the signs of abuse in a child friendly way. Children are taught to speak out if they are worried, either to a trusted adult or to Childline. As part of the NSPCC's Speak Out Stay Safe programme, the children will be taking part in assemblies on Monday 18th March. Information has been sent home separately about this but if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact us.

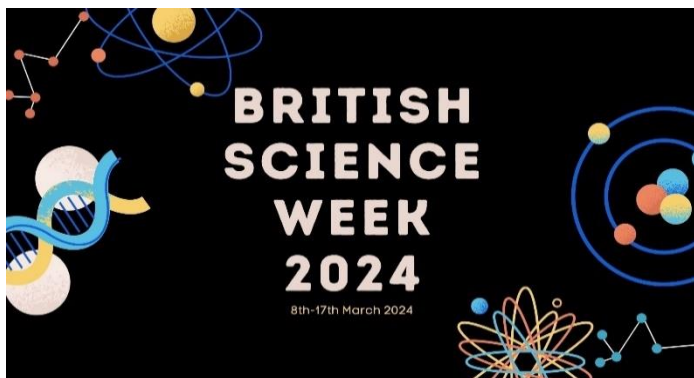


Class Photographs

Our school photographers, Braiswick, will be visiting us in school on Monday to take our class photographs. Don't forget to bring your best smiles to school!

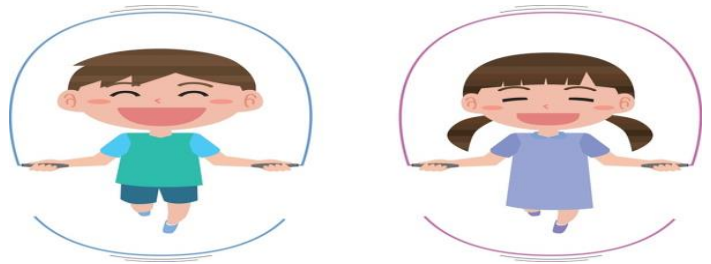
British Science Week

In support of British Science Week we will all be enjoying Science Day on Tuesday 19th March, when the children will spend the day being involved in various science activities based on the theme of 'Time'. We will be investigating how changes occur over time and the speed of those changes. We will learn about how animals adapt to their environment over time and investigate simple ways to measure time. We hope it will be an exciting day and provide lots of opportunities to find out about our world.



Sponsored Skip and Jump

All of the children will be taking part in a sponsored skip and jump on World Skipping Day on Monday 25th March to raise money for our partner school in The Gambia. Children are able to wear sportswear to school on this day and will be enjoying a circuit of skipping and jumping activities. If you would like further information about our partner school in The Gambia, please take a look at our school website.



Squirrel Scouts

If you have a 4 or 5 year looking for fun, friends and adventure you may be interested in them joining a local Squirrel Scouts group. For further information contact Chestnut on 07359 140980 or visit <https://21stmedway.org.uk/join>.



Top Attenders

Congratulations to Robin Class who were our top attenders last week with 99% of pupils attending school every day. Well done Robins!



Regards
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Headteacher