



Weekly Bulletin 3rd March 2023

Headteacher's Message

Welcome back! By today, you will have received a home-school links document via DB Primary or as a paper copy from your child's class teacher. This details the ways in which you can support your child with their studies as well as informing you of the curriculum content to be covered during this half term in each subject area. I encourage you to read it and to use it as a basis for discussing with your child what they are learning about in school. The home schools link will also be available on our School Website.

Can I remind you to complete the annual survey for parents and carers. Please do take the time to complete this and return it to school by the 10th March. The views of parents and carers are invaluable to us and support us in both celebrating all that is good in the life of the school as well as helping us to focus on future developments. I thank you in anticipation for your support.

Each week I want to include a 'snapshot' of some of the things going on in school. For example, news from our ECO team, Worship group, V.I.P. (Very International People) and SNAG (School Nutrition Action Group). This week our focus is on World Book Day and our Librarians have shared an update on this below.

Best wishes

Mr Rumbles

World Book Day

Yesterday, World Book Day was celebrated throughout our school. We had a theme on bedtime stories and we showed that theme by coming into school in pyjamas. We did lots of fun activities and we even had a delightful World Book Day lunch! Throughout the day, different classes shared stories with other classes, which we really enjoyed, and meant we got to know each other more. We also (as an extra treat) had crunchy biscuits and refreshing drinks.

Liz and Isabel (School Librarians)

FOSS Easter Coffee Afternoon - Thursday 30th March 3-4.30

We're getting ready for the Easter Fair! Join us from 3pm (that's right, grab a cuppa before schools out) then enjoy the activities with your kids. There will be an Easter Treasure Hunt, puzzles and colouring, cakes to buy and the big Easter Egg Raffle!

There will be Easter Egg and Easter Bonnet competitions. Anything goes! Entries are 50p per entry. Please bring your creations to school on the morning of the fair clearly labelled with your entry fee. There will be prizes for the most creative designs.

We are also looking for donations of cakes and Easter eggs that can be dropped off on the morning of the fair- any help you can give would be amazing!

Y4 & Y5 Dance Festival

The Gala Theatre would like to make tickets available online on the dates below via this link <https://galadurham.co.uk/whats-on/> then search for the correct dance festival. People are limited to buying 4 tickets on the phone or online:

29th March AM – onsale 1st March at 10am

29th March PM – onsale 1st March 10am

30th March PM – onsale 2nd March 10am

31st March AM – onsale 3rd March 10am

31st March PM – onsale 3rd March 10am

Tickets can also be purchased from the Gala Theatre box office by telephone (03000 266 600) or in person from Wednesday 1st March at 10:00am.

Dates

For a full list of school holiday dates please see the school website.

Tuesday 7th March – Y5 Visit to Yorkshire Museum of Farming

Tuesday 21st March – Thursday 23rd March Book Fayre and Reading Café

Tuesday 21st March – Y4 Visit to Seaham Beach

Wednesday 22nd March – Y2 Visit to Shildon Museum

Thursday 23rd March – Y3 and Y4 Class assembly

Monday 27th March – Reception Zoolab workshop

Thursday 30th March 3.00-4.30pm – FOSS Easter Coffee Afternoon

Friday 31st March – Easter Service – All welcome

Friday 31st March – School closes for Easter holidays

Tuesday 18th April – School re-opens

Monday 1st May – School closed for May bank holiday

WC Monday 8th May 2023 - Y6 SATS week

St. Mary's Church Notice

Wild Church

4.00 pm Sat 18th March, Wild Church: Celebrating St. Patrick and the Trinity (to start, Meet in the Church Hall)

4.00 pm Sat 1st April Wild Church: A Celebration for Palm Sunday Eve (Outside St. Mary's)

The Parish Church of St Mary the Virgin, Shincliffe - St Mary's celebrates...

Sunday 19th March 9.30am	Mothering Sunday Parish Eucharist
Thursday 6th April 7.00pm	Maundy Thursday
Friday 7th April 10.00am	Good Friday
Sunday 9th April 9.30am	Easter Sunday
Sunday 28th May 9.30am	Pentecost
Sunday 11th June 9.30am	St Barnabas Day and picnic

Sunday 10th Sept 9.30am	Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Sunday 8th October 9.30am	Creationtide – Harvest Festival
Sunday 5th November 9.30am	All Saints’ Day
Sunday 24th December 4pm	Christingle

Christian Values

We are exploring the value of humility and worship will be led by Mr Rumbles, Mrs Matthews, Fr. Bill, Fr. Peter and the pupils.

Some further information on this half term’s value:

Humility has a central place in Christ’s teaching. It is contrasted with pride.

Jesus taught his followers that if they wished to enter the Kingdom of Heaven they must be like children. Jesus is challenging people to become like those who have no legal or social standing, to become like servants. Throughout his teaching, Jesus uses a series of images and examples to encourage his disciples to ‘take the lower place’, or ‘to wash each other’s feet.’

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