

# HEADTEACHER HIGHLIGHTS



Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March

## WORLD BOOK DAY

It was lovely to see everyone in their PJs yesterday! I have to say that many people, including staff, felt very comfortable all day and there were some very cosy and colourful dressing gowns and oodies being worn. Whatever we were wearing, the point was that there is nothing better than curling up with a book and becoming immersed in a new world, meeting different characters and imagining amazing adventures.

During the day, classes spent time thinking about their reading choices and looking at the books in their classrooms and the library. Many brought their favourite book in to share with everyone.

In the afternoon, we held a book tombola. Thanks very much to Mrs Cawfield and Miss Walters who have spent a lot of time and effort sourcing books for this event. Well done to our house captains and prefects who ran the tombolas for each year group.

Well done to our year 6 hockey team who played really well in the tournament. Of course, I think hockey is the best sport in the world! Perhaps I'll have St Matthew's children joining my team in the future!

Year 3 were amazing at the recorder festival on Monday. What an opportunity to play an instrument with children from lots of different schools. Thank you, Mrs Morton.

## NEXT WEEK

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March – Book Fair

You can spend your book tokens at the fair.

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March – PTA Chocolate Bar Sale

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March – Reports home

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March- Easter Service – St Matt's Church

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March - END OF TERM 4

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March – INSET Day – Staff training on RWI (Phonics)

Attendance is 94.5% across the school. Let's see if we can go over 95%! I'm please to say that we have had less children coming in late through the office this week.



We loved being in PJs, and cuddling our teddies on World Book Day. Some children were lucky enough to win a book on the tombola.

FULFILLING GOD-GIVEN POTENTIAL



This is a quick round up of what has been happening in each year group this week. You can see what the staff have got to say about the pupils across the School.



YR	This week we have been exploring space and writing a list of items we would take with us into space! We've made rockets, and in maths we've been making 9. We investigated tadpoles and learnt about the life cycle of frogs.
Y1	This week in year 1, we have been begun working with numbers to 50. We have been ordering them and representing the tens and ones with manipulatives. We have begun writing stories based on our class text, Stanley's Stick and continued learning about how the Great Fire in 1666 spread.
Y2	Year 2 have been learning about capacity and volume in Maths this week. They have been using 4 operations to work out problems in grams and kilograms. In Science, we have learnt about food chains and have understood the terms predator, prey, consumer and producer. We have also made some amazing Mother's Day cards for Sunday.
Y3	On Monday, Year 3 joined other primary school children at The Recorder festival at TWGGS led by Mrs Morton. The children played several pieces accompanied by TWGGS students on an electric violin, saxophone, piano, clarinet, bass and drums which was a real treat! We enjoyed coming to school in our pyjamas and sharing our favourite books.
Y4	This week Year 4 have had a great time looking at Easter around the world, we looked at other traditions and made omelettes as they do in France. 4B enjoyed Forest school and we all had a good time at World Book Day and sharing our favourite books with each other. In science, we are looking at how vibrations are made.
Y5	In music, Year 5 composed a melody to add to their own piece of music designed to send someone to sleep. Sleep was the last thing on our minds as we played lacrosse and hockey in our PE lesson. In literacy, we continued to read our text, 'The Sleeper and the Spindle', and wrote descriptive paragraphs using similes and subordinating conjunctions.
Y6	This week, 6H have been leaning about how the resurrection fits with other Christian beliefs; 6W have been planning and carrying out an electricity investigation; the children have been producing some amazing descriptive writing creating atmosphere and tension; and in geography we have been locating cities and towns in the UK.

### WHEN TO WEAR PE KITS TO SCHOOL.

#### MONDAY

5S  
5B  
Lorikeets  
Kookaburras  
4B

#### Swimming 4B

#### TUESDAY

Owls  
Robins  
6W  
6H

#### WEDNESDAY

3DB  
3TWB  
4VC  
4B  
6W  
6H

#### THURSDAY

3TWB  
3DB  
Owls  
Robins

#### FRIDAY

Ducklings  
Goslings  
Lorikeets  
Kookaburras

#### FOREST SCHOOL (THURSDAY)

4VC