

Newsletter Spring Term 2

Collective Worship Theme: Forgiveness

The children have had an activity-filled half term that has included a visit to Banham Zoo, World Book Day, orienteering and having a tractor arrive at school. All of these activities have supported the day-to-day learning inside the classroom and have inspired the children to learn about the world around them.

Tractors in School:

As part of Suffolk Agricultural association's tractors into schools initiative, Farmer Sam, from Broughton Hall Farm, visited the school with his tractor. He showed the children a range of different photos that illustrated the changes in farming over the last 100 years. Each child got to sit inside the tractor and ask Sam farming questions that linked to their current curriculum subjects. A huge thank you to Farmer Sam for giving up his time to visit.



World Book Day



This year's World Book Day theme was 'Read Your Way'. Children enjoyed coming into school in the clothes they felt comfortable reading in and completed a 'Read Your Way' reading trail around the school. These included listening to audiobooks, reading e-books on an iPad, reading books in different languages, reading by torchlight in the blackout tent, using a magnifying glass to read miniature books, reading whilst exercising, lucky dip reading, outside reading, plus many more! It was great to see so many children enjoying reading for pleasure and having the opportunity to show us how they like to read their way!

Banham Zoo Visit



Year reception to year four, had a super time visiting Banham zoo. They explored animal species and habitats, got up close and personal with a stick insect and a cockroach and even had a ride on the zoo train.



Orienteering



Years 3-6 went to Hartismere High school to take part in an orienteering event with lots of other local schools. They developed their map reading skills and stamina for running as they had a go at three different activities. The children had a great time and worked well in pairs and teams.

Red Nose Day

On the 21st of March the children all came to school wearing red for Red Nose Day for a donation of £1. As a school community we raised a total of £43.50 for Comic Relief.



Free Breakfast Club

We have been accepted onto a trial Government scheme which enables us to offer a universal free Breakfast Club, to all our pupils from 22nd April. Please book your child in on MCAS or through the office.

Friends:

Once again a huge thank you to the Friends this term. They helped with the cost towards school trips as well as the new Quiet Area reading shed. As part of a competition, the children all put forward their ideas for what the Quiet Area should look like. The winning design was by Bella, who chose the products and costed the design before submitting it to the Friends.



The children are looking forward to the Easter Egg Hunt and the adults are looking forward to the Easter raffle. A huge thank you to Friends who are making lots of calls to companies for donations towards the raffle.

Mother's Day Messages:

All of the children in school have written a Mother's Day message that will be printed in the East Anglian on 28th March. We hope that you enjoy reading these as much as the children enjoyed writing them.

Catch up on all the latest news on our website here:

<https://www.wetheringsett.suffolk.sch.uk/news/?pid=8&nid=1>

Important Dates

Date	
27th of March	Mother's Day Lunch and Easter Service
28th of March	Mother's Day Messages printed in the East Anglian Daily Times
31st of March	Year 6 Liason day at Debenham High School.
4th of April	PD Day- Start of the Easter Holidays for Children
22nd of April	Back to school after Easter

22nd of April	Free breakfast club for all starts
30th of April	Swimming lessons start for Yrs 1-6
8th of May	VE Day 80th Anniversary
12th-15th May	SATS week for Year 6
3rd of June	Whole Class Photos
12th June	Father's Day Lunch @ 12pm.
17th June	Crucial Crew for year 6 @ 12:45pm
18th-20th June	Doorstep Festival drama workshops and productions for all classes
10th of July	Dress rehearsal for Summer Production in the Village Hall @ 1:30pm
14th of July	Summer Production in the Village Hall @ 1:30pm