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Learning for Life



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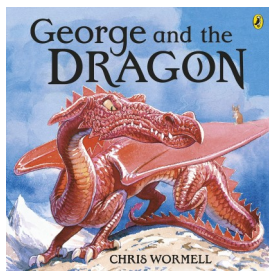
Dear Parents and Carers,

PTA Sponsored Pancake Flip

Last Friday the children (and adults!) had a wonderful time taking part in the sponsored pancake flip. It was great to see them cheering each other on and enjoying themselves. Thank you to Loretta, Jayne and Justin for running the event and to all the friends and families who sponsored the children. You will find some photos of the pancake flip over the page.



World Book Day



Thank you to everyone for entering into the spirit of World Book Day. We had a fantastic array of book characters represented and the children enjoyed sharing their favourite books. We began the day with a story: a version of 'George and the Dragon' by Chris Wormell in which the fierce dragon is defeated by a cheese-loving mouse named George! The children then had the chance to look at each other's costumes and lots of photos were taken, which we will share in next week's newsletter.

The children will bring their World Book Day vouchers home this afternoon.

Parent Consultations: Tuesday 21st and Thursday 23rd March

Please contact the school office in person or by phone to arrange a consultation with your child's teacher. It is very important that you attend these consultations so that we can update you on your child's achievements, attainment and progress. We look forward to seeing you.

Online Safety - new resource added

I have updated the [ESafety page](#) of our school website. The latest resource to be added is a parents' guide to livestreaming from Safer Internet. There are lots of tips, links and guidance documents on the ESafety page - please do take a look.

Red Nose Day: Friday 17th March

We will be holding a fundraising non-uniform day for Red Nose Day on Friday 17th March:

- ☆ Come to school wearing **brightly-coloured clothes** - you may choose to embrace this year's 'Little Miss and Mr Men' theme but you may simply choose to wear your boldest, brightest outfit!
- ☆ Bring a **donation** for the Comic Relief charity (£1.00 minimum)
- ☆ Unfortunately we are unable to sell the **red noses** this year but you are welcome to wear one if you have purchased one elsewhere.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Keitch

PATHFINDERS NEWS

This week we have been really busy in Pathfinders. We have been learning all about money and the children have made expert shop keepers and customers. We used our problem solving skills to work out how to make the same amounts in different ways. The children loved working together and using the real coins to help them. They made great progress and even began working on giving change to a customer.



In our Dimensions and Computing learning the children have been working on coding and using algorithms. The children used the Bee-bots and directed them around the map. The children then transferred these skills to online Bee-Bots where they practiced using their mouse and keyboard skills as well as utilizing their coding skills too. The children had lots of fun exploring their coding skills.

In our Dimensions 'Land Ahoy!' learning we have also been learning about 'floating and sinking'. We used our science predicting skills to predict whether objects around our class would float or sink. We then conducted an experiment altogether. Lots of our predictions were right but we were amazed that rubber bands sink – the children all predicted that the rubber band would float.



Finally in our Dimensions Art learning, we have been looking at the use of colour. We have explored the colour wheel and have experimented with how to mix colours to create new colours.

The children learnt the 3 primary colours and how to mix these into secondary colours. The children then looked at Kandinsky's art work. We had some brilliant conversations about what we liked and what we would like to make for our own art work. We focused on 'Concentric circles' and the children re-created their own versions of 'Concentric Circles'.



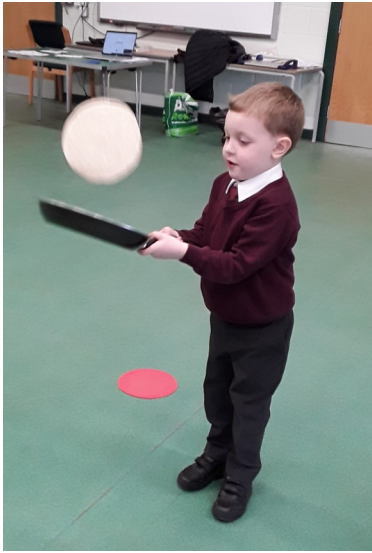
CAN YOU HELP?

You received a ParentMail last week appealing for volunteer football coaches. We (and the children) are really keen to re-establish our school football teams with a view to getting involved in local inter-school tournaments. We would be incredibly grateful if you could help us to make this happen. Perhaps you know someone who might be able to offer their time and expertise? We need:

- ❖ Assistant coach for a girls' football team
- ❖ Coach for a boys' football team
- ❖ Assistant coach for a boys' team



PTA SPONSORED PANCAKE FLIP



You can find more pancake flip photographs on the '[News and Events](#)' page of our website.



Dates for your Diary

You may wish to make a note of the dates below.

Further information will be sent out to you in due course.

Thursday 16th March	PTA Mother's Day craft
Friday 17th March	Red Nose Day - non-uniform, £1.00 donation
Tuesday 21st and Thursday 23rd March	Parent Consultations - please contact the school office to make an appointment
Thursday 23 rd and Friday 24 th March	Y6 Bikeability
Friday 31 st March 2pm	Easter Service St George's Church - parents invited
Friday 31st March	Last day of term
Monday 3rd - Friday 14th April	Easter Holidays
Monday 17th and Tuesday 18th April	Non Pupil Days
Wednesday 19th April	First day of the Summer term - children return to school
Monday 8th May	Bank Holiday (Coronation)
Tuesday 9th - Friday 12th May	Year Six SATs Week

Forest School 'Nightingale' Awards

Year Five - For an enjoyable morning of Forest Schools, involving teamwork, shelter building and an exciting game of 'Capture The Flag'. You all behaved impeccably well and followed the rules of the game. Well done!

Harry - For being curious about fallen nature (catkins), collecting them in a saucepan and using them creatively in the mud kitchen to cook up a treat!

Freddie P - For sharing your knowledge of worms with a friend while bug hunting.

Angus - For being adventurous and keen to try new experiences at Forest Schools. Your smile while on the swing and excitement at holding a worm was wonderful to see!

Parker - For your enthusiasm while bug hunting and showing care and concern for living things. You were keen to hold a slug for the first time, talking about how it felt and commenting on the slimy trail it left behind.



Our Stars of the Week this week are:



Explorers

Both Explorers certificates will be carried over to next week due to pupil absence and illness



Pathfinders

Holly - for your hardworking attitude towards all your learning
Byron - for trying to think of some fantastic vocabulary in your writing



Adventurers

Millie B - for excellent focus and concentration in all aspects of your work
Ellis - for a huge improvement with your handwriting - we're all so proud of you



Navigators

Isyla - for ingenuity and positivity in a dramatic performance, including problem solving
Zoe - for fantastic efficiency and confidence in your learning



Lunchtime Awards go to:

Explorers

Imogen - for always being polite and well-mannered



Pathfinders

Jacob - for always trying different foods



Adventurers

Lily-Rose - for always playing nicely with other children



Navigators

Barnaby - for stepping up to help out as shed monitor



Reader of the Week Awards go to:

Explorers

Lotan - for working hard to learn the Set One phonics sounds



Pathfinders

Alice - for engaging so well with the Oxford Reading Buddy programme



Adventurers

Maya - for enthusiastic reading at home and at school



Navigators

Hugo - for great expression when reading aloud

