

The Blue Letter: 1st March 2024



Learning, Loving, Growing,
Together with God.

Dear Parents and Carers,

World Book Day - World Book day is on Thursday. A reminder that we are not dressing up this year. The children have all brought home their paper plate to link to a book. Here are the ones created by the teachers. We have a book token for each year group as a prize.

Mother's Day Service - On Friday afternoon, we will be going to church for our Mother's Day Service and we'd love you to join us. If you are able to be there, your child will be able to sit with you for the service. At the end of the service we will be letting the children leave church with you, rather than coming back to school. If you are not able to be at the service, the children will sit with the staff and will return with them to school. They can be collected from school at the normal time. We are looking forward to celebrating those who care for us. The service will start at 2pm. Create Club will still take place and children attending this club can come back to school with the staff.



Spellings we use the Read, Write Inc. Spelling programme to teach children from year 2 upwards to support the children in developing the key skills of reading and spelling. Read Write Inc. Spelling embeds impressive skills in 20 minute sessions each day, quickly and effectively filling the gaps in children's knowledge. To keep children engaged, aliens introduce spelling rules on an exciting online spelling planet and children complete quick-fire activities in their practice books. They record words linked to the spelling pattern in their log books each week and we ask for your help at home to practice these spellings with them in preparation for their weekly practice tests. The aim is to see the correct spellings embedded in their writing. The way we teach spelling is especially helpful for children who might be dyslexic. This is because we use a very well-organised programme that has a strong focus on phonics. This is very important for children who find learning to spell difficult. If you are worried about your child, please do talk about this at parents evening. The practice at home is an integral part of this process and without it children will struggle to remember the spelling patterns and apply them to their writing. Please speak to Mrs Dommett or your child's teacher if you would be interested in us running a parent information session for the spelling programme.

Parents evenings - Our Parents evening sessions this term take place on Wednesday 13th March from 4pm until 6.20pm and Wednesday 20th March from 3.30pm until 5.40pm. Mr Rogers will be here for the 13th March session and Mrs Martin for 20th March. There will be sign up sheets at the class doors from Monday. Please sign up for a ten minute slot. We value this time to talk about your child with you but in order to help us run to time, if you and the teacher feel more time is needed for discussion at the end of the ten minutes, they will ask you to make an appointment for another time.

Monday 4th March	Fox Class PE Ball Skills and Drills Club
Tuesday 5th March	
Wednesday 6th March	Fox Class PE KS1 cricket festival
Thursday 7th March	Owl Class & Fox Class Swimming Squirrel Class PE Outdoor learning - Year 5 Dance Club World Book Day - bring your book paper plate
Friday 8th March	Owl Class PE Mother's Day Service 2pm Create Club

Advance Dates

Wednesday 13th March - Active 60 Festival - selected children Year 5/6

Wednesday 13th March - parents evening 4.00pm - 6.20pm

Wednesday 20th March - parents evening 3.30-5.40pm

Thursday 21st March - last swimming session

Friday 22nd March - Future Flyers - selected children

Thursday 28th March - last day of term

Thursday 28th March - whole school walk

Thursday 8th March - Easter Service 2pm

Monday 15th April - Summer term starts

Friday 26th April - Future Flyers - selected children

Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May - half term

Monday 3rd June - INSET DAY

Tuesday 23rd July - end of term

Fox Class Lush workshop



The Boy at the Back of the Class

Fox and Owl had a really enjoyable time at the theatre this week. Thank you to the Friends PTA for paying for the tickets and the coach.



"I enjoyed the whole show. It's truly a heart-warming story" - Illia

"I LOVED The Boy at the Back of the Class" - Mason

"Some parts made me feel quite happy and sad." - Mollie

"It made me think we should always accept everybody, no matter where they come from." - Nelly

I loved the actor and how well he played the boy at the back of the class." - Albert

"It was very emotional!" - Aubrey



Book Donation from Chichester Lions

Thank you to the Chichester Lions for the donation of a fantastic set of books about the environment. We are already enjoying reading them.



Achievers

Well done to all our achievers this week:



Squirrel Class: Lexie, Dylan, Robyn, Jacob, Ethan, Gigi

Fox Class: Chiara, Emily, Nelly and Xanthe

Owl Class: Kacy, Jonathan, Tilly and Lucas