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Spring Term Newsletter 8

Dear Mums/Dads/Carers,

Swimming Pool

What a fabulous week we had with our swimming pool last week and we're good to go again for this week! Our children have been hugely positive about their swimming lessons. Hopefully, they'll have come home really excited to share how brilliant it has been?

We've seen, first hand, how their swimming confidence and skills have rocketed in the past week. We hope to see more of the same this week too!



Assessment Week

Next week is our spring term Assessment Week. We will be looking to see how our children have progressed in their learning this term and comparing these results to their results from December.

We will be reporting their academic progress to you at this term's parents' evenings in the week beginning Monday March 24. Parents' evening appointment forms will be coming home next week for you to book your preferred times.

After-School Clubs Come to an End

This week is the final week for this term's after-school enrichment clubs, apart from our Year 6 booster sessions which will continue for the next few weeks. A new list of clubs will be sent out at the end of term, in preparation for the summer term.

Chocolate Bingo Night

Our family 'Chocolate Bingo Night' is coming up in a couple of weeks, on Friday March 21 from 5pm to 7pm. We will soon be open for bookings with tickets going on sale this Wednesday from our school office. It promises to be loads of fun for all!

There will be a huge range of Easter Egg prizes for the bingo games on the night and a bonus raffle draw at the end of the evening. Please help us out with any donations you can put your hands on.

Tickets are £5 per adult and £3 per child. Please be aware that we can only accept places to this event with full payment at the time of booking. This cost includes chip cobs for tea! A refreshment stand with drinks and snacks will also be running on the night, including a licensed bar for the adults.

We have a maximum capacity of 150 places and we think these will definitely sell out very quickly. So, to avoid any disappointment, we suggest you make sure you secure your place with our office team as soon as tickets become available this Wednesday.

We will be putting on a non-uniform day on Friday March 14, with children bringing in an Easter egg donation to wear their non-uniform clothes. These Easter egg donations will all go into the prize pool for the bingo night.

Scarborough Residential Trip

The deadline for any outstanding payments was last Friday. Thank you to everyone who has got the money into us and we can now make all the final arrangements. There are a very small number of outstanding payments left to be paid. If these are not paid in the next couple of days, we will have to make the regrettable decision to remove those children from the residential trip. If this happens, any deposits you may have paid will also be forfeited to offset against the costs we have already had to pay out.



Nursery Intake for the Summer Term

We have two dates for our new nursery starters in the summer term. On Wednesday March 26 and Thursday March 27, our new starters will have their transition sessions from 9.30am to 11am. More details are in the dates list below.

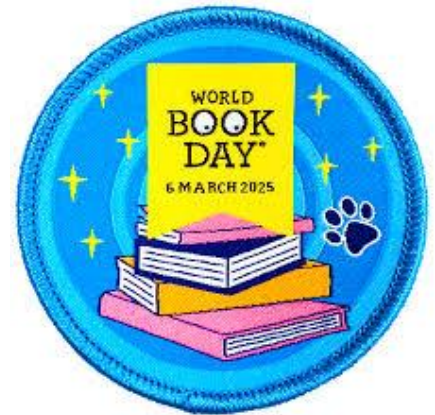
Staffing Update – Year 3

With Miss Greaves heading off on her maternity leave at Easter, we have recruited a new teacher for the summer term in our Tanuki class, his name is Mr Hodgetts. To help him get used to our school and to allow our children to get to know him a bit before his official start, Mr Hodgetts will be teaching in our Tanuki class next Monday and Tuesday.

World Book Day

This Thursday (March 6), we will be celebrating World Book Day in school. To mark the occasion, we are asking the children to come dressed as their favourite book character, or if they prefer they can wear onesies/pyjamas. We have lots of exciting reading-based activities planned for the day!

On World Book Day, your child(ren) will be given a £1 off book token. We will be sending these out electronically. If you would prefer a paper version, they will be available for our school office. They can be put towards the purchase of a wide range of books. These vouchers can also be used at the school Book Fair, which is running next week.



Year 1 Class Assemblies

And finally, we have our Year 1 class assemblies this week, with Hedgehogs tomorrow morning and Lizards on Wednesday morning. It would be great to see you there!

Many thanks for your continued help and support,

Nadeem Shah

Executive Headteacher

Spring Term Diary Dates 2025

Monday March 3	ELITE Swimming (on site) all week
	Year 5/6 Basketball County Finals at Alfreton Leisure Centre (pm)
Tuesday March 4	Year 1 Hedgehogs Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
	Year 5 Elephants Class Library Visit
Wednesday March 5	Year 1 Lizards Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
	Chocolate Bingo Night tickets go on sale *new date
Thursday March 6	World Book Day
Friday March 7	Year 5 Owls Reward Trip to the Park
	After-School Enrichment Clubs End
Monday March 10	Whole School Assessment Week
	Year 4 Trip to Jorvik Viking Centre
	Year 3 Ancient Roman Day *new date
Tuesday March 11	FS2 Giraffes Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
	Year 4 Panthers Class Library Visit
	Book Fair open before and after school
Wednesday March 12	FS2 Flamingoes Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
	Book Fair open before and after school
Thursday March 13	Parent Forum at 9am
	Book Fair open before and after school
Friday March 14	Book Fair open before and after school

	Non-uniform day – please send in an Easter egg donation *new date
Tuesday March 18	Year 6 Wolves Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
	Year 4 Koalas Class Library Visit
Wednesday March 19	Year 6 Goats Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
Thursday March 20	Year 1 Singing Stars Performance to parents/carers at 2.30pm
Friday March 21	Family Chocolate Bingo Night at 5pm
Tuesday March 25	Year 5 Owls Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
	Year 3 Tanukis Class Library Visit
	Parents' Evening
Wednesday March 26	Year 5 Elephants Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
	New FS1 (nursery) children transition session with parents in class 9.30am to 11am *new date
	Parents' Evening
Thursday March 27	New FS1 (nursery) children transition session with parents meeting in the hall 9.30am to 11am *new date
	Parents' Evening
Monday March 31	Nursery trip to Willow Tree Farm *new date
Tuesday April 1	Year 3 Spiders Class Library Visit
Wednesday April 2	Year 3/4 Production at 10am and 2pm
Friday April 4	Easter Eggs and/or Easter Bonnets (optional homework activity)
	Last day of spring half-term 2

Summer Term Diary Dates 2025

Tuesday April 22	Inset Day
Wednesday April 23	Children return to school
	Year 5 Bikeability
Thursday April 24	Year 5 Bikeability
Friday April 25	Year 5 Bikeability
Tuesday April 29	Year 2 Starfish Class Library Visit
Monday May 5	Bank Holiday
Tuesday May 6	Year 4 Bikeability
	Year 2 Dragonflies Class Library Visit
Wednesday May 7	Year 5 Bikeability
Monday May 12	Year 6 SATs Week
Tuesday May 13	Year 1 Hedgehogs Class Library Visit
Tuesday May 20	Year 1 Lizards Class Library Visit
Friday May 23	Last day of summer half-term 1
Monday June 2	Children return to school
Tuesday June 3	FS2 Giraffes Class Library Visit
Tuesday June 10	FS2 Flamingoes Class Library Visit
Tuesday June 17	Year 6 Wolves Class Library Visit

Monday June 23	Whole School Assessment Week
Tuesday June 24	Year 6 Goats Class Library Visit
Monday June 30	Year 5 leave for the residential trip to Scarborough
Wednesday July 2	Year 6 leave for the residential trip to Scarborough
	Year 5 return from the residential trip to Scarborough
Friday July 4	Year 6 return from the residential trip to Scarborough
Monday July 7	Year 4 Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park
Wednesday July 9	EYFS Sports Day at 9am
	Year 5 Transition to Shirebrook Academy
Thursday July 10	Year 1/2 Sports Day at 9.30am
	Year 3/4/5/6 Sports Day at 1.30pm
Monday July 14	Transition to new classes and Year 6 to Shirebrook Academy
Tuesday July 15	Transition to new classes and Year 6 to Shirebrook Academy
Tuesday July 22	End-of-year reports go home
Wednesday July 23	Year 2 Graduation in school at 9.30am
Thursday July 24	Last day of summer half-term 2
	Year 6 Graduation at Sports Direct Auditorium at 10am
	Year 6 Rounders Match versus the staff and parents at 1.15pm
	Year 6 Family Barbecue at 2.30pm

Autumn Term Diary Dates 2025

Thursday September 4	Inset Day
Friday September 5	Inset Day
Monday September 8	Children return to school
Friday October 24	Last day of autumn half-term 1
Monday November 3	Children return to school
Friday December 19	Last day of autumn half-term 2
Monday January 5, 2026	Children return to school