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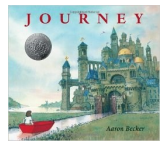
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We hope you all had a lovely half term. It has been a busy first week back with parents' evening. Thank you for the positive feedback on our new parent consultation forms—we are glad you found them useful.

Year 6 Bikeability

Well done to all the Year 6s who took part in Bikeability over half term. They were awarded their certificates in assembly today.

World Book Day



This Thursday, 5th March, is World Book Day. We invite children to dress as their favourite book character. No donation required; this is simply to promote a love of reading. During the day all classes will be looking at the book 'The Journey' by Aaron Becker; they will use their imagination to write about this book. We will be publishing the children's work in the school library as well as reading some in assembly the following Monday.

Exciting developments in Foundation Stage

The staff and children would like to say a massive thank you to the Friends who have funded improvements to our Foundation Stage outside area. Here's what the children said...

"Yes!!!!!!!"

"This is cool. We can get everything out and it's flat and not muddy and ... yes, it's cool"

"It's very exciting. It's grass but it's not grass which means it's very special grass"



Alfie the Attendance Alligator

Rhinos 96.4%

Hippos 96.3%

Tigers 97%

Lions 95.4%

Leopards 96.2%

Panthers 97.8%

Monkeys 95.4%

Crocodiles 96.3%

Pandas 96.6%

Zebras 96.5%

Bears 95%

Giraffes 96%

Elephants 95.8%

Penguins 94.9%



Superstar corner

Congratulations to **Joshua in Pandas** who gained his 100m swimming certificate and badge over half term. Well done.



This week's letters home (or via parentmail):

All: Sponsored reading event, Headteacher appointment

Year R: Phase newsletter

Year 1: Phase newsletter

Year 2: Phase newsletter

Year 3: Phase newsletter

Year 4: Phase newsletter

Year 5: Phase newsletter

Year 6: Phase newsletter

Dates for your diary: New dates are in red

5th March World Book Day—Dress Up

DATE CHANGE 9th—13th March Sponsored Reading event

13th March Wear red for Red Nose Day

13th March Friends' Mothers' Day Gifts

13th March Reading night- pupils + parents KS2 6-7pm

16th March Reading night- pupils + parents KS1 5-6pm

16th –19th March Book Fair 3:30-4

25th March 2:30pm Year 5 Musical concert

27th March Friends' Quiz Night, Oaks Hall, 7:30

30th March E-Safety Sessions Year 5/6

7th and 8th April 10am—12noon Year 6 SATs Easter School (more info on how to sign up next week)

ADVANCE DATE: Friday June 26th AM—Sports Day. We will be extending sports day this year to include a family picnic afterwards (weather permitting!)



E-Safety

E-safety is vitally important to ensure children stay safe on-line. To learn more about the risks facing our children when they use computers, please log on to <http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk>

Other useful websites you might like to visit:

<http://support.xbox.com/en-GB/xbox-live/online-privacy-and-safety/online-safety>

<http://www.childnet.com/ufiles/Parent-Factsheet-0413.pdf>

<http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/ufiles/Facebook-checklist-Nov2013.pdf>

<http://www.digizen.org/downloads/cyberbullyingOverview.pdf>

<http://www.connectsafely.org/guides-2/>

Child Exploitation and Online Protection (CEOP)

is a police agency tackling child abuse on the internet. This website includes a unique facility that enables parents and young people to make reports of actual or attempted abuse online. www.ceop.police.uk

March is Book Month!

As March 5th is World Book Day, we will be holding the following book events throughout March.....

- **World Book Day** 5th March—Dress up as a book character, whole school reading and writing project

- **Sponsored Reading Event** run by the Friends—NOW 9th—13th March.

- **Family Reading Nights**—Friday 13th March 6-7pm for KS2 and Monday 16th March 5-6pm for EYFS and KS1. Children, parents and grandparents are invited to come and share a variety of children's stories read by our teachers. Hot chocolate will be served. Pyjamas and slippers are encouraged! There will be no charge for the entry or hot chocolate. Year 6 will be selling cakes for a small donation.



Thinking question.....

What do animals think of us?

All suggestions to Miss Ridout welcome, the best will be read in Friday's assembly. All suggestions earn 2tps.

Have a lovely weekend,
Miss Ridout