

Snow

We are conscious that any school closure impacts not only on children's education but also on your family and work commitments and so our decision to close on Thursday was not taken lightly. We were pleased to be able to open on Wednesday and Friday when many other schools remained closed and made sure the children had the opportunity to experience and enjoy the snow. <http://bit.ly/Snow2018>



Parents Evening

Last Wednesday's parents evening will now be held on **Wednesday 7th March** with the **same appointment times**. Please contact us if you are unable to make this and need to rearrange your appointment.

World Book Day

We will now be holding our celebration of reading on **Thursday 8th March** when children are invited to dress up as their favourite **book character** and Mrs Jolly will be preparing a **book themed lunch**.

For some simple costume ideas, go to <https://www.bookaid.org/support-us/world-book-day/world-book-day-dress-up/>

Or <http://www.worldbookday.com/dressing-up/>



Remember to use your **World Book Day voucher which has been sent home with every child**. You can use these to buy a specially produced World Book Day title or to get £1 off any children's book. These are valid from **Monday 26 February–Sunday 25 March 2018**.

Bug Club

Bug Club have been working hard to research our current school 'pets': a millipede, Giant African Land Snails and a Praying Mantis. They have worked together to plan, prepare and film short information videos to help everyone in school learn more about them. Watch the first of these at <http://bit.ly/BugClub1>

STEM Club (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics)

Miss Riley will be running a Year5/6 STEM Club on Wednesdays after school this half term. A letter has been emailed today.

Save the Date

Read Write Inc Curriculum Evening for Foundation and Key Stage 1 parents: Wednesday 14th March from 6.15pm.

PFA Family Quiz Night: Friday 16th March from 6.30pm. Details and food order form sent home today

SATs information meeting for Year 6 parents: Monday 19th March

In Case You Missed It

- Letter of congratulations from the Minister of State for Schools <http://bit.ly/MinisterLetter2018>
- Outcome of our recent Ofsted inspection <http://bit.ly/Ofsted2018>
- **Eco Team elections-** Well Done to Ben, Austin, Joel, Esme and Zac on being elected to lead our school's Eco work.

Class News

Foundation Stage

Lower Nursery

This week we've introduced our fire station. The children talked together about the things we might see at a fire station and they all helped to paint our fire engine and ladder. Harry was especially excited as he loves fire engines and he couldn't wait to dress up! Harry told all his friends that they need to ring 999 if there is a fire and the firemen will come.



Reception/Upper Nursery

The magical story box didn't disappoint this week as it brought us our new book, 'The Something'. It also sent us a big black hole and each of the children their own key to unlock the hole. They had to use their imagination to tell us what was down there. Noah H said 'I think the big bad troll lives down there and will trip trap to the top to get out!'

All of the children are very excited to be bringing their magic keys home today, to use for one of their homework tasks.

In other news, we would like to say a big thank you to everyone who supported us in our recycled jar sale before the holidays. We raised £41 which we will be sending on to our link school in Tanzania, to support their children.



Miss Painter, Mrs Lovell, Mrs Stearne, Mrs Thompson, Mrs Gaimster

Class 1

This week in Class 1 we were surprised to find an abundance of flowers in our classroom! We had lots of super ideas as to where they could have come from – Evie thought it could be the flower fairy, Darcie thought 'Rosie Revere' may have left them for us and Jenson thought they had been sent by Jesus! We became even more puzzled when we received a book in the post, which said 'do not open'! After much deliberation we decided to open it and found lots of pictures of flowers! This reminded Miss Schofield of a book called 'The Flower' and we have begun to read it in the hope it will solve the mystery!

Miss Schofield, Mrs Ross



Class 2

This week Class 2 begun work at the Ministry of Magic 'Regulation and Control of Magical Creatures' department. They received some terrible information and were forced to share the news that an 'acromantula' was creating havoc in the area!

In Maths the children have begun to explore and understand fractions. They have been looking at different ways to represent fractions and building their own fraction walls to compare and identify equivalent fractions.

Miss Aspinall, Miss Riley, Mrs Brammer



Class 3

This week Class 3 have started their new history inspired theme by exploring the beginning of their new book; Anglo-Saxon Boy. They immersed themselves into a battle and began to write a description of what they could see, hear and smell.

Class 3 have also worked more on their cam toys. They finished constructing the box for the cam mechanism. Then they measured card for the sides, stage and background. The children really enjoying starting to see their finished product coming together.

Mrs Findlay, Mrs Callaghan, Mr Hammond



Important Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
Wednesday 7 th March	Re arranged Parents Evening
Thursday 8 th March	Re arranged Book Character Dressing Up Day
Wednesday 14 th March	Read Write Inc curriculum evening
Friday 16 th March	Family Quiz Night, school, 6.30pm onwards
Monday 19 th March	Y6 Parents SATs Information Evening, 6.15pm
Mon 9-Thur 12 April	Holiday Club
Monday 14 th -Thursday 17 th May	Year 6 Statutory Tests (SATs)
Sun 1 st - Mon 2 nd July	Year 3 and 4 Residential
Mon 9 th -Wed 11 th July	Year 5 and 6 Residential
Mon 23 July – Tue 24 July	Inset Day. Holiday Club available
Mon 23 July – Fri 17 Aug Weekdays only	Holiday Club

Term Dates 2017 – 2018	
Date	Event
Friday 16 th February	School closes for half term
Monday 26 th February	School reopens
Thursday 29 th March	School closes for Easter
Monday 16 th April	School reopens
Monday 7 th May	May Day Bank Holiday
Friday 25 th May	School closes for half term
Monday 4 th June	School reopens
Friday 20 th July	School closes for Summer. Please note 2 Inset Days have been allocated.

Term Dates 2018 – 2019	
Date	Event
Tuesday 4 th September	School reopens
Friday 26 th October	School closes for half term
Monday 5 th November	School reopens
Friday 21 st December	School closes for Christmas holiday
Monday 7 th January	School reopens
Friday 15 th February	School closed for half term
Monday 25 th February	School reopens
Friday 5 th April	School closed for Easter holiday
Tuesday 23 rd April	School reopens
Monday 6 th May	School closed for May Day Bank Holiday
Friday 24 th May	School closes for half term
Monday 3 rd June	School reopens
Tuesday 23 rd July	School closes for Summer Holidays

4 Inset days to be allocated