



## Spring has sprung!

Welcome back, we hope you all had an enjoyable half term break and are beginning to notice the longer days and lighter mornings. This is a very short half term {4 weeks and 4 days} but still full of lots of exciting things to look forward to.

## Book Fair

The Book Fair arrives today and all children will receive a £1 book token that can be used either at our book fair or in any participating book stores. The Book Fair is located in the school library area and we will be selling books at the following times:

8.30-8.50am and 3.15- 4.15pm every day until Mon 4<sup>th</sup> March.

The Book Fair will be collected on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March.

## Book Week

Following on from our Book Fair, we will be launching our Book Week which includes **World Book Day**. The theme this year is **Friend or Foe**. This is a fun filled week of book related learning, new stories to listen to and class prizes to be won. See below for dates of events.

## Catering

As you will be aware from previous newsletters, we were informed that North Tyneside Council would cease to provide school lunches as of 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 and all schools were tasked with seeking a new provider. Despite the short notice, we have been able to secure 'Dolce' as our new provider of school lunches. We see this as an exciting opportunity to introduce the children to a new nutritious menu whilst still providing firm favourites and of course using top quality ingredients. We will provide further details with regards to special diets, menus, payment and ordering systems, in a separate letter following a meeting with their management team. In the meantime, please click the link to view their website. <https://www.dolce.co.uk/>

## Valentines Disco

Thank you to the ' Friends ' as this event was a huge success and raised enough money for us to fund the purchase of another new classroom computer.

## OPAL

You may have noticed that in anticipation of some finer and drier weather we have been reorganising our outdoor place spaces and zones. On Thursday, we will have an assembly to

introduce the children to the new play zones, equipment and reminders of our safe playtime rules. Although the field remains waterlogged in parts, we have cordoned off a drier area in front of the climbing frame. Children will only be allowed access to this area of the field from Thursday if they have wellies ( please name wellies). We will continue to monitor the condition of the field and open larger areas as and when they dry out.

## Reminder

Please don't park in the yellow cross hatched area of the car park as we use this to allow parents/carers to drop children off and then for vehicles to turn to exit the car park. Thank you.

## Dates for the Diary

Tues 27<sup>th</sup> Feb Book Fair

Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Mar Book Week- launch – class competitions ( details via seesaw from individual classes)

Tues 5<sup>th</sup> Mar Spring Sing

Wed 6<sup>th</sup> Mar **Grandparents Share A Book Day** (9.00-11.00am or 1.30-3.00pm entry via the main office)

Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Mar **World Book Day**- dress up as book character or something linked to the theme – Friend or Foe

Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Mar Creative Day- Book related arts, crafts and activities

Mon 11<sup>th</sup> Mar Friends AGM 5-6.30pm

Tues 12<sup>th</sup> Mar Lego League

Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Mar Y3-5 Parent/Carer Consultations

Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> Mar Nursery-Y2 Parent /Carer Consultations

Wed 27<sup>th</sup> Mar Easter Bingo doors open 5.00pm

Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> Mar Last day . Easter Holidays begin

Mon 15<sup>th</sup> April **Return to school**