



Dear Families,

Welcome back to the second half of the Spring Term. I hope everyone had a good and relaxing half term.

This term is a very short one packed with all different activities including World Book Day and Mother's Day Coffee morning organised by our work related learning group.

Please remember to bring the appropriate clothes for your children as the weather can be a bit unpredictable.

Deer Class News

This half term we continued with our cooking lessons. We cooked Welsh Raebits to recognise St David's Day. We weighted and mixed our ingredients and toasted them onto slices of bread. We washed and cleaned the kitchen and ate some of our delicious bakes! We learned about St David.



You may know that St David's Day is a celebration of the patron saint of Wales, St David. It is celebrated on the 1st March every year and is a national holiday in Wales. This day is celebrated with parades, festivals and parties. Do you know how to bake Welsh Raebits? If not, ask someone in Deer class, we are happy to let you know the recipe! Happy St David's Day!

Conwy Class News

Conwy class have had a great start to the term. We have been busy learning about money in maths and we have loved going back to cooking sessions on Mondays where we enjoy making our favourite recipes.

We are using circle time and Attention Building sessions as an opportunity to interact with one another which helps us to build strong relationships. We are also learning about feelings and emotions as part of our term theme.



Grafham Water Trip

Just before half term we took a group of year 9 students and supporting staff to Grafham Water for a two night residential experience. The students had a fantastic time despite the particularly wet weather on the Tuesday.

We got to experience a variety of indoor and outdoor activities including Sailing, Climbing, Archery, Campfire building, constructing a shelter, orienteering, completing the Grafham challenge, low ropes and of course the evening Karaoke too!

We intend to make this an annual trip for our year 9 students and have booked up already for next year!



Bees Class News

Bees Class were happy to welcome parents in, to join us for our sensory story. We explore different textures, listened to different sounds and matched symbols to objects in the story. We look forward to welcoming more parents in for our story again, next Wednesday.



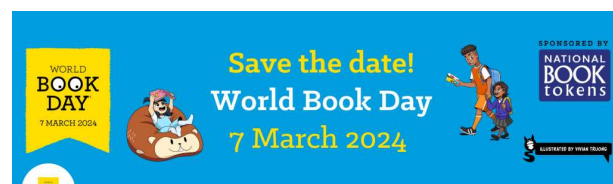
Mother's Day Coffee Morning



As part of their Work Related Learning, Wolfson class are organising a Mother's Day Coffee Morning at the Carlton Arms, Carlton Way on Thursday 7th March 10:30 - 11:30.

We are holding it there because they are letting us use their Car Park. We will be selling cakes and potted plants. If any of you would like to get your classes to make things for us to sell that would be marvellous. If you do make something could you make sure you get it to us by Wednesday 6th March.

World Book Day - Thursday 7th March



This year, World Book Day is taking place on Thursday 7th March 2024.

Dressing up for World Book Day can be fun, but there are lots of ways to celebrate children's reading choices! You can find lots of creative ideas at worldbookday.com/dressing-up-ideas.

We are looking forward to an exciting World Book Day on Thursday and sharing lots of fun stories together.

To celebrate the day we would like to invite pupils to dress up as a fictional character from a book of their choice or to wear their own clothes on the day.

Library Volunteer Needed

Do you love books? Are you able to spare a couple of hours every other week to help maintain our library? If so, we would love to hear from you, as we need some support to maintain and develop our resources and organise some book-based events. If you are interested, please contact Mhari: mgallagher@castle.cambs.sch.uk

Fundraising Event



A Castle parent is organising a music event at the Portland Arms on 7th March to raise funds for the school.

Please find attached a poster and see the link below for more information and ticket access.

<https://theportlandarms.co.uk/wp/product/rj-archer-the-painful-memories-yoke-7th-march-24/>

<https://fb.me/e/c8qb52aYt>

A poster for an Easter Holiday Scheme. The title 'Easter Holiday Scheme Places for free' is at the top in white and yellow text. Below the title are two photos: one of a child playing tennis and another of a child in a school uniform. To the right of the photos, it says 'Would your child like to attend a fully funded holiday scheme this Easter where fun experiences, a meal and snacks are included?'. Below this, it says 'Children in receipt of benefit-related free school meals are eligible to attend a participating holiday scheme for 16 hours.' At the bottom, it says 'Please visit the County Council webpage for details and the wider eligibility criteria: www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/haf (or scan the QR Code)'. There is a QR code on the right. At the bottom left, it says 'Department for Education' and 'HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES & FOOD PROGRAMME'. At the bottom right, it says 'Cambridgeshire County Council'.

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