



# Newsletter

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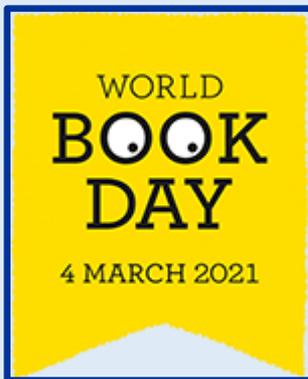
Be Kind, Be Safe, Believe -Achieve

## Key Dates

- W/B Monday March 8<sup>th</sup> – Parents Consultations (online) Foundation Stage & KS1
- W/B Monday March 15<sup>th</sup> – Parents Consultations (online) KS2
- W/B Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February – Half Term – no remote learning this week
- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February – Spring Term 2 Begins
- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April – Term Ends - Easter Holidays
- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April – Summer Term Starts

## World Book Day

World Book Day takes place on Thursday March 4<sup>th</sup>



Each year, children love to celebrate World Book Day and school always goes the extra mile to make it special.

Therefore, it's even more important that we try to do the same despite the lockdown.

On **Thursday March the 4<sup>th</sup>** all of our remote learning will focus on celebrating stories, poems, information texts, characters, plots and authors.

Shortly, will be sending home more detailed information regarding your child's choice of activities and whole school events.

## Stars of the Week



This week's Superstar pupils are.....

Nursery	Caine	Rex
Reception	Evan	Lucy
Year 1	Edward	Faith
Year 2	Lola	Jaxxon
Year 3	Tommy	Elsie
Year 4	Todd	Harry
Year 5	Jack	Rohnee
Year 6	Ethan	Lili-Mai

Congratulations to last week's winners....

Nursery	Oscar	Millie
Reception	Isla-May	Edith
Year 1	Esme	Tobi
Year 2	Madison & Morgan	Harlow
Year 3	Ayden	Oaklan
Year 4	India-Rose	Skarlett
Year 5	Oliver and Luke	Lucas Charlie
Year 6	Alfie	Jack



## Half Term Photography Competition

During Half Term, we are encouraging our pupils to 'Engage and Embrace Nature' by taking part in a photography competition. We would love to see your unique shots of nature/the outdoors – maybe a frosty spider's web, crispy leaf or beautiful sunset. The possibilities are endless – how creative can you be? Please send your entries to the class email by **12pm on Sunday 21st February**. Winning entries will be displayed in the next newsletter.



**'New School Lunches Begin'**

We are really excited to announce that we'll be launching our '**Brand New**' school lunches from 'Shires' catering company after half term.

Back in the Autumn Term, we completed a tendering process with several providers taking part. Some of our pupils, our staff & governors, sampled food from each company and watched presentations by each of them. We were delighted at the range, food quality & the flavour of the Shires menu. They also shared our commitment to improving children's enjoyment of having a healthy and appetising school lunch experience.

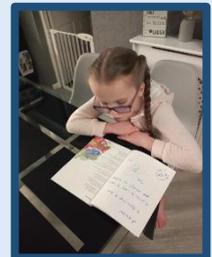


When the government makes an announcement about the re-opening of school we will be able to share a complete, healthy menu choice for our children. In the meantime, if your child is currently accessing our critical worker/vulnerable pupil provision, then they can order a healthy packed lunch from Shires from Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February. Orders and payments are made as normal, via Parent Pay.

Please see attached sample menus from Shires to give you a taste of things to come. 😊



### Take Over Wednesdays



We launched our **Wednesday Afternoon Web – Free Take Over** sessions this week. All of the schools within UWMAT are participating in the weekly event to encourage our pupils to engage in a selection of creative, practical or physical tasks away from their screens. I was blown away by the enthusiasm of our children and especially enjoyed looking through all of your photos, you have been so very busy.

### Well-Being & Mindfulness

We know how important it is to take care of our mental health and well-being, especially during times of social distancing. Mrs Yates has been collecting some useful resources and activities for both parents and children. All the resources will soon be launched on our new page 'Well-Being' page on our school website, so please keep a look out for those.

In the meantime here are a few new Mindfulness Activities that you might like to try with your children to help them to feel relaxed and calm during the next few weeks.

**Attached with this newsletter is Issue 2 of 'Mental Health Matters at Pye Green' – The Power of Communication.**

## Go on a SAFARI

Go outside on an exciting adventure, try picking up a small rock or touching a plant or flower.

Notice the bugs or the birds. Take a moment to kneel down and touch the earth.

Walk mindfully paying close attention to everything. Make sure you walk in silence because you want to notice all those little details.



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## Yoga for All Ages

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## Just One Breath BREATHING ACTIVITY

Find a relaxing place, sit comfortably, and set a timer for one minute.

Breathe deeply in and out while paying attention to any sensations you notice or sounds you hear.

Take another slow deep breath, imagine the air moving down into the lungs and back up.

Take one more deep breath and hold for a moment, then release it.



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During last week, Mrs Yates emailed out Mental Health and Wellbeing videos from 'PEP the Poet', a local writer.

Many of our children in school have seen these and we have had positive comments from parents after watching them.

If you would like to access the videos please follow the links below. In the future, the links will be available on the school website once the 'Mental Health Page' goes live.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mrqMklzLXWk&safe=active>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VXDTkE7IUMw&safe=active>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g7QCBSNGjy8&safe=active>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1WRoBhT8ltw&safe=active>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MpD4Mv6p7Q0&safe=active>



## Nursery School Places – Applications Opening Soon!

We are currently making significant improvements to our Nursery Classroom, our curriculum plans & outdoor learning. We are extremely excited about strengthening our Early Years provision for the current pupils but also for any prospective young children joining us in September.



Applications for our Nursery places will be emailed to any potential families starting from **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February**. As we are not able to organise our usual visits we will publish a virtual tour of our Nursey on our school website on **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February**. We will also hold a virtual 'Meet the Team' presentation where you will be able to ask questions and find out more details about our excellent offer. The presentations will take place week beginning **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March**. So if you or anyone you know have children approaching Nursery age please contact the office for an application pack or visit the Nursery page of our website.

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Many thanks for your continued support and happy half term  
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