# The Blue Letter: 24th February 2023



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a lovely half term and got to enjoy the lovely sunshine.

Do make sure you have read the letter that was sent via parentmail about next week's strike day. It contains a lot of information about Thursday including details of swimming and football club.

Fox and Squirrels have new topics for this half term, topic letters and homework grids will be with you next week and then they will be available on the website. Owl Class will continue with their Second World War Topic.

Our Spring Term Parents Evening meetings take place on 7th and 8th March. Sign up lists will be available from Monday morning drop off.

We will be marking World Book Day on Wednesday next week. Children can choose to come to school dressed as their favourite book character if they would like. If they prefer not to dress up, they need to wear school uniform to school. Fox Class will still need their PE kits and Year 5 will need clothes for outdoor learning. Children will bring home their World Book Day book voucher which can be swapped for a World Book Day book. These books can be found in most supermarkets as well as bookshops.

# **Diary**

| Monday 27th February  | Bikeabilty Year 6  |
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| Tuesday 28th February | Bikeabilty Year 6  |
| Wednesday 1st March   | Bikeabilty Year 6 WORLD BOOK DAY - dressing up optional Fox Class PE Year 5 outdoor learning -bring a change of clothes suitable for the weather. A coat and boots or trainers that can get muddy are recommended. |
| Thursday 2nd March    | Industrial Action School closed for most children Fox and Owl Class swimming - arrive between 10.20- 10.30. collect at midday 3.15pm-4.00pm Football Club  |
| Friday 3rd March      | Squirrel Class PE  |

#### **Advance Dates**

Wednesday 1st March Deadline for Swimming payments

Wednesday 1st March - World Book Day - dressing up optional

7th & 8th March - Parents evenings

Monday 13th March Owl Class trip to Tangmere

Friday 17th March - Comic relief day

Friday 17th March - School Mothering Sunday Service 2pm Children can be taken home afterwards

Friday 31st March - Cobnor payment deadline

Friday 31st March - Whole School Walk

Friday 31st March - Easter Service at Church 2pm. Children can be taken home afterwards.



The children in Reception made pancakes and invited Year 1 and 2 to share



## **Collective Worship**

This half term we will continue to reflect on the impact Jesus had on the ordinary people he met, helping children to fill in the gaps between Christmas and Easter in the narrative of Jesus' life, making better sense of the timescale. We will also be using these stories to help children to think about the impact that they, in turn, can have on their world. This week we have thought about the start of Lent with the story of Jesus in the wilderness. The children have been challenged to carry out an act of kindness every day in Lent! Fr lan talked to the children about how last year's palm crosses are turned into ash for Ash Wednesday and an ash cross is applied as an outward sign of commitment to following Jesus.



## **Achievers**

Well done to all our achievers this week:





Squirrel Class: Jack, Alice, Leon, Brielle, Alex and Georgia

Fox Class: Mason, Darcey, Elisia, Freddie and Hattie

Owl Class: Emily, Millie, Michael and Daniel

