

World Book Day

Thank-you so much to everyone who made effort to dress up to celebrate this day.

Across the day, children enjoyed reading activities, staff swapped classes to share stories and a special assembly was held.

The winners of the ‘**Decorate a potato**’ competition will be announced tomorrow. Reading ambassadors had a very difficult job choosing the winner.

The **Book Swap** table will be open for a few more days in the library so if, children, you have enjoyed a book but no longer want it, bring it in to school to swap for a different one.

The **Sponsored Read** is still open, so record how long you have read for and see how much money you can raise.



Week beginning 10th March

Monday 10th March

Clubs: computing; multi-skills; hockey

Tuesday 11th March

Year 5 swimming

Clubs: football, cricket, choir, drama, yoga, forest school

Wednesday 12th March

Thursday 13th March

Year 3 swimming

Family learning 1pm

Clubs: gardening, art, lego, dance, music

Friday 14th March

Assembly – 2JT parents welcome; starts 9.45am

Ramadan and Lent

The Islamic period of Ramadan coincides with the Christian period of Lent this year. For followers of both this means there is a renewed focus on spirituality, self-discipline and acts of charity.

For Muslims following Ramadan, there is a requirement to abstain from eating and drinking during hours of daylight. Children are not required to fast but a few of our older Muslim children sometimes like to try to a few fasting days during this time. **If this is your child, please let us know by contacting the office or passing on a message at drop-off time.** We want to support children but also have a duty to ensure they are healthy. Fasting children will stay inside during break-times and will not take part in PE lessons. If they are finding fasting very hard, we will contact you to discuss options.



SCHOOL
VALUES

PROUD
TO BE ME

ENJOY
LEARNING

ACHIEVE
SUCCESS

RESPECT FOR THE
WORLD



Keeping Children Safe

Safeguarding and Family Support

Designated Safeguarding

Lead: Mrs S Ricketts

Deputy Safeguarding Leads:

Mrs A Donnelly

Mrs R Hussain

Pastoral/ behaviour leads:

Mr Ryan

Special Educational Needs:

Mrs E Davis-Lloyd (SENDCO)

Mrs L Montgomery (Inclusion lead)

If you have a concern about a child or wish to speak about any worries, please see one of our team. They can signpost families to additional support, if it is required.

Anyone can make a referral to Children's services.

[Children's Social Care](#) |

[Worcestershire County Council](#)

In an emergency, always ring 999.

Keeping Children Safe Online

It is everyone's responsibility to ensure children are safe in day to-day life and online. Please check your child's online activity,

- Check game age advisory notices
- Limit children's time spent online
- Set filters so that inappropriate material is blocked
- Keep phones, tablets etc. out of bedrooms

Attendance

Year group	Week beginning 03/03/25	This term	This Academic Year
Reception	90.5	93%	94.1%
Year 1	89.8	90.6%	92.8%
Year 2	89.6	92.2%	92.2%
Year 3	92	91.8%	93.7%
Year 4	93.4	92.9%	94.5%
Year 5	95.4	94.2%	93.9%
Year 6	91.5	92%	94.4%
Whole School (Rec - Y6)	91.7%	92.4%	93.6

Overall attendance remains poor across the school.

There is room for improvement for any child with attendance below 96% but as is often the case in society, it is a few key families who are impacting on whole school attendance.

Current overall attendance is 93.6% - very poor.

Without the lowest 10 attending children, this would rise to 94.5%

Without the lowest 20 attending children, this would rise to an acceptable 95.1%

We continue to work with all families whose child's attendance causes concern. Unfortunately, where there is little to no improvement, then the local authority will consider issuing fines and ultimately social services become involved.

If you need support, then please get in touch.

Condover

30 Year 3 children head off to Condover in Shropshire tomorrow for a 2-night residential trip.

If that is your child, we hope you have everything you need. Remember children should come to school at normal time tomorrow. **Please do not send them with any kind of electronic device. They will not need them.**

Messages will be sent by text at least once a day to keep in touch. This is how we will let you know when they are going to be arriving back on Wednesday too.

We understand that this is a challenge for them (and you) but know they will have a fabulous time!

**HAVE YOU ORDERED YOUR CHILD'S LUNCH FOR NEXT WEEK?
IF NOT, PLEASE DO SO VIA SQUID.**

What is my child learning? How can I help?

All children have access to age-appropriate educational websites. You will find their usernames and passwords for these in their reading diaries. If you have any problems, please speak to your child's class teacher. Three key sites are:



Oxford Owl

You will find links to appropriate sites on the school website, year group page. PLEASE help your child to use these regularly. They will make such a difference to their reading and maths fluency and help a child feel confident in their own abilities.

