



# NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024



Dear parents and carers,

A warm welcome to the second half of the Spring term and I do hope we start to see some warmer Spring weather soon. The children are so keen to enjoy some drier weather playtime activities such as den building. It was so lovely to see the children back in school yesterday, all with lovely big smiles and enthusiasm for their new learning. At staff training on Monday, we were discussing how wonderful the Spring term is, for the children to really show and embed their progress and grow in confidence further still to keep pushing them to be their very best. An exciting time!

## Playtime resources:

We would be very grateful for any donations of:

- clean, dry seashells
- fir cones
- smooth wood pieces
- clean sleeping bags, blankets, mats, small rugs
- piping and pipe connectors
- guttering

If you have links to a business who may be able to donate spare or waste items for our loose parts playtime resources, please speak to me or your child's teacher. Thank you so much.

## Values focus:

Our focus Avenue value for the next few weeks is Confidence. We will be discussing with the children how they can be proud of their achievements and be confident to keep working towards their goals, whether short term (what they want to be better at this week/term) or longer-term goals for the future (such as their dream job). Please discuss goals and aspirations with your child and keep praising perseverance and determination when working towards those goals.

## Events this term:

Thank you all for booking your parents evening appointments so promptly. Please could we ask you arrive in good time for your appointment time. The appointments are strictly timed so please understand the need for a polite knock on the door if time is nearly up, this keeps us running as close to the schedule as possible and aims to avoid lots of long waits. There will be time to look through your child's books at your leisure. We are very much looking forward to celebrating your child's progress so far this academic year at these appointments.

Other events coming up.....



**World Book Day-** Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March: Yesterday you should have received an email detailing our plans for World Book Day and how your child can participate. It is always a day filled with wonderful books, hearing stories and fun. Please speak to your child's teacher if you have any questions.



**Red Nose Day-** Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March. This year we will be helping raise funds for Comic Relief by coming to school wearing something **red** in exchange for a donation.

We politely ask that no red noses are worn to school as these can be muddled up or get lost.

For a list of further events please see the table at the end of this newsletter and our weekly Friday Updates.

Family event - COMING SOON:

We are busy planning a new family event for the Summer term. This will replace our usual March Family Celebration performance at Everyday Champions Church and we hope will be a really fun, interactive event for parents and children. Keep a look out for further information!

Thank you, as ever, for your on-going support.

Yours sincerely,

Helen Morrall

Headteacher

	KEY DATES FOR SPRING TERM	
Week 1	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> February Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	Training day School opens to pupils Reception Family Reading 8.50 -9.10am
Week 2	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> March Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents evening FOTAS Cake stall from 3.00pm Parents evening World Book Day- dress as a word (see separate letter) Year 2 Family Reading 8.50 - 9.10am
Week 3	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK Year 1 Family Reading 8.50 - 9.10am Red Nose Day - Wear red in exchange for a donation to Comic Relief
Week 4	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	FOTAS Mufti for Easter raffle donations Reception Family Reading 8.50 -9.10am
Week 5	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Rock Steady Concert - 9.15am FOTAS Easter Raffle draw FOTAS Easter Bonnet competition Reception trip - Chester Farm End of term 3.15pm