

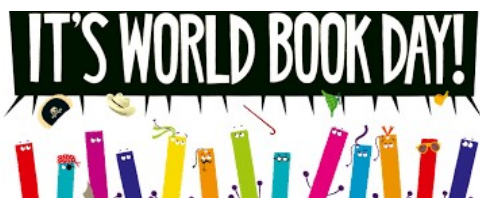


World Book Day at St. Stephen's

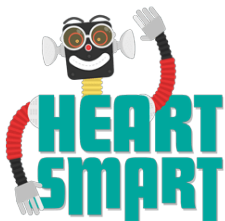
Here's a message from the School Council regarding World Book Day on Thursday 6th March.

World Book Day will take place on Thursday 6th March. This year the School Council have chosen the theme of 'Our World, Nature and the Universe'. Each house will read a book and complete a range of activities on the theme. Children are welcome to dress up if they like or come to school in non-uniform.

On this day if anyone has a book that they do not read any more and would like to donate it to school - it would be very much appreciated. They will then be distributed to the class libraries/ main library.



Next half-term Boris says 'Don't hold on to what's wrong!' We want children to know that when they make a mistake it is ok. We want them to know mistakes are part of learning and growing and there is always a way back from the mistakes we make. Through the life of the disciple Peter we will see that it is possible to bounce back from mistakes and go on to achieve amazing things.



Parents Association Update:

*Historically throughout Lent we have had 'Bank your Bronze' buckets in classrooms and the High 5's bucket in the hall collecting loose change. The collections have got less and less over the years. As a result, we will not be having them this year. One of our new events this year will be a non-uniform day and decorate a pancake on Shrove Tuesday - 4th March. More details to follow.

*We are hoping to organise a Family Bingo night one Friday night next half-term.

*This year's Summer Fayre is taking place on Saturday 28th June. For stall enquiries please contact the office.



Diary dates for February/ March

24th February- Return to school
25th February- 9.15am Family worship with Y5/6
4th March- No family worship
4th March - Parent/teacher meetings
6th March - World Book Day
11th March- 9.15am Family worship with Reception
11th March- Full Governing Body meeting
18th March- 9.15am Family worship with Y1/2
25th March - 9.15am Family worship with Y3/4
1st April- Easter service 9.15am for Years 1,3,4 & 6
3rd April- Easter service 9.15am for Reception, Year 2,4 & 5
4th April - School closes for Easter 3.25pm
22nd April - Return to school



We will be holding the Easter Raffle again this year - organised by Y3. All donations of Easter eggs would be greatly appreciated in Y3. Raffle tickets will be on sale next half-term.

Congratulations to our Y4 pupils on an impressive concert on Wednesday morning. It was great to hear how well they are playing.



Well done to all the pupils who have been reading regularly at home this half-term. All children who read at least 3 times a week have their names entered into a half-termly class draw. Congratulations to our winners from this half-term who have received a £5.00 Waterstones voucher. They are:

Reception: Lola Year 4: Nevada
Year 1: Henry Year 5: Freddy H
Year 2: Jimi Year 6: Kate
Year 3: Autumn

Please will you check that your child's name is in all items of clothing they bring into school (uniform, coat, wellingtons etc)? Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather. They do spend time outside every day. All children must have a coat in school.

Some reminders:

*Our School P.E. kit must be worn on P.E. days: Navy blue shorts/ PE skirt/ Navy blue tracksuit (**plain blue jogging pants and sweatshirt**)

White t-shirt or St. Stephen's logo top with blue short sleeves

Pumps/ trainers

*Gym area- for safety reasons please do not allow younger pupils to play on the gym when they come on to the Junior yard at the end of the day

*Ear-rings are not allowed in school. If your child is going to have their ears pierced, then the Summer holidays would be the ideal time to have them done.

*Black school shoes (not trainers or boots) are to be worn for school.

*As stated in our policy, all hair accessories (bobbles, clips, headbands) must be discrete and plain and red, white or black.

Thank you for your support with this.