



**DREAM BIG**



## Fortnightly Newsletter: 25<sup>th</sup> February 2022 Curl up with a good book

Dear Parents / Carers,

It's been wonderful to welcome the children back after the February half term but wow have we had some intense weather! Unfortunately, we did suffer some damage to our Year 1 shelter and Nursery roof.

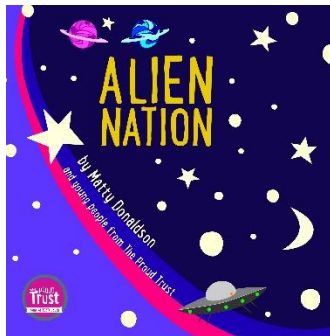
This half term is going to be a busy one. We are spending the first few weeks looking at Fairtrade, World Book Day and then moving onto one of the children's favourites, Art fortnight.

There are also a number of events taking place.

Please see our fortnightly updates below:



### World Book Week



Thursday is World Book Day but we are going to celebrate it all week. All classes will be focusing on the Book 'Alien Nation' by Matty Donaldson.

This is a really powerful book which enables children to really challenge their thinking around gender stereotypes. What if girls were never

allowed to play football and could only wear dresses? What if boys MUST like blue and had to be masculine? We are expecting some great debates around this important subject



matter.

### Year 1 Phonics meeting

At 9am on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March parents / carers have been invited to a relaxed meeting about the Year 1 Phonic screen. This is a really important opportunity to understand what the screen will look like for your child and how you can help at home.

### Year 6 SAT's meeting

This will take place on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 9am. Due to COVID, SAT's have not taken place for the last few years so it is important that we share important information with you about what the SAT's look like for your child and how you can support at home.

### Year 6 residential

Thank you to all the parents who have paid the deposit and therefore secured a place for their child. It is important that if you have not paid your deposit that you do so to secure your child's place. Children not attending will have provision in school.

### Lates

We have seen a huge rise in the number of children arriving late. This will be a major focus for us this half term and parents / carers will be contacted individually to discuss these concerns. Arriving late has a big impact on children's mental wellbeing.

Thank you for your continued support.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes.

*E. Harding*

Mrs Harding  
Headteacher

### **Weekly Worship Focus**

This week, we introduced our new value JUSTICE. We linked this to Fairtrade and how often the farmers and workers are not getting the money they deserve.

Children's  
Worship

Justice

### **Birthdays**

Birthdays up to the 12<sup>th</sup>  
March:



We hope you have the best day!

Ben in Year 3  
Leo in Year 4

### **Polite Reminders**

Children have eyes and ears everywhere and are easily influenced. We have been informed of a few occasions where a parent has been heard talking inappropriately about another parent while on school premises. I know you will all agree this is completely unacceptable. We are not naive to think that all adults get on all the time but we feel it is reasonable to ask parents to behave respectfully on school premises. Thank you.



### **Head's weekly awards**

This week's awards go to:

- Hughie and Bella in Year 2 for producing some amazing Math's work independently.



### **Weekly attendance**

<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Weekly %</u>
Nursery	91.1%
Reception	93.3%
Year 1	91%
Year 2	90.7%
Year 3/4	89.4%
Year 5	94.3%
Year 6	89.1%
Whole school	91.1%

Well done Reception and Year 5!



### **Important Dates**

- Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March / Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March: Parent's evening

**DATES TO  
REMEMBER**

- Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April: School closes for Easter holidays
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April: School opens for Summer term
- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May: Bank holiday
- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May: School closes for Whit holidays
- Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June: INSET DAY – school closed
- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June: School opens for Summer 2
- Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July: Schools closes for the Summer