



NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

This term continues onwards at pace with lots going on and the children continuing to work hard at all aspects of their learning. We look forward to welcoming you at Parental consultations on Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th of March where you can see all that your children have been doing

There will always be issues that arise in school but please speak to either the staff, Mrs Lowe or myself if you have any queries or concerns, however minor. Please do not wait until Parent Consultations to come to us as the sooner we know about any issue the quicker we can resolve it.

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

Just to inform you that all schools within the trust are receiving daily updates and advice regarding this issue. Any information that we need to pass on to you will be done so in a timely manner.

As with all establishments, not just educational, we are working with everyone in school, especially the children, to ensure that they wash their hands properly before eating and after visiting the toilet.

WORLD BOOK DAY

Thank you so much for all your support with this day. This year we chose to do something slightly different by asking our pupils to come dressed to describe an example of ambitious vocabulary. The results were staggering – the range, depth and challenge shown by our children was amazing. All of the children and the staff had a wonderful day celebrating reading and exploring new vocabulary. We are always thankful to our parents for the time and effort you put in to supporting our school initiatives.

EFL CUP

On Tuesday 3rd March our U11 girl's football team accompanied by Mr Fisher represented Burton Albion in the Midlands tournament held at Aston Villa Ladies ground. Our school team was selected after their fantastic performances in local competitions.

They played against other schools representing local clubs in the Midlands area from Leicester to Norwich.

Whilst not making it to the national finals the children performed admirably. They were a credit to themselves and school; representatives from Burton Albion were extremely complimentary about their sportsmanship, enthusiasm and behaviour.

Well done!

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

For the last couple of terms the after school sports clubs have had relatively poor rates of take up. Although we do make a nominal charge for these clubs the school is subsidising these as well so we are keen to make sure that the sports covered are what the children would like. On previous questionnaires parents have often commented about the range of clubs especially for KS1 but even this terms multiskills club is undersubscribed this term.

Please note that over the winter months we have to make sure that whatever we put on is suitable for the limited hall space we have.

If you have any thoughts or comments please pass them on to the office directly or mention them at parental consultations next week. We will also be discussing with the children their views before setting them up for the summer term.

VALUE OF THE MONTH
March 2020 - Trust



Our value for March is Trust.

The value of 'Trust' underpins everything we do in school and beyond. We will be looking at what trust looks like and the importance of trust to all of us.

'It takes years to build trust and seconds to destroy it.'

The Bible teaches us all about trust

Proverbs 3:5

*'Trust in the Lord with all your heart.
Never rely on what you think you know.
Remember the Lord in everything you do,
and he will show you the right way*



The staff will be working with the children to understand what this looks like in their everyday lives. Please support us with this where you can and ask the children about what they understand about this value.

OUTDOOR AREA REVAMP

Many of you will have noticed some changes beginning to appear within our outdoor area next to the dining room. Our fantastic PTA have started to clear the area in preparation for the renovation that will be taking place over the next 12 months.

If there are any other parents, family members or friends who would be willing to lend a hand for an hour or so (just once is enough) please let the office know or speak to one of our PTA committee. Once completed, this will be a wonderful learning area for the children to enjoy; one that we are all looking forward to contributing to.

If you have not had chance, please look at the proposed plans for the outdoor area that are on display on the PTA noticeboard.

SPORT RELIEF

At Richard Wakefield, we are all really excited to be taking part in Sport Relief 2020! As one of the UK's biggest fundraising events, Sport

Relief brings the entire nation together to get active, raise money and change lives.

This year, Sport Relief will be taking place across the country between Monday 9th March and Friday 13th March.

To do our bit and raise money we will be wearing our sports kits on Friday 13th March ready for a fun packed afternoon of different sporting activities.

We really appreciate your support and ask for a voluntary donation to contribute towards such a good cause.



DIARY DATES REMINDER!

Monday 16 th March	Parent Consultations 3:30pm – 5:45pm
Tuesday 17 th March	Parent Consultations 3:30pm – 5:45pm
Wednesday 18 th March	Year 5&6 visit to the National Memorial Arboretum
Tuesday 31 st March	PTA Bingo night
Monday 25 th May to Friday 29 th May Half Term – School Closed	
Thursday 30 th April	Year 3&4 visit to Tamworth Castle
Friday 8 th May	Bank holiday – School closed
Friday 8 th May am	KS1 children performing at the Arboretum in BBC 'Bring the noise' VE day celebrations
Monday 1 st June	Inset Day 4 – School Closed
Sunday 14 th June	PTA Summer Fayre

REMINDERS!

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS

Please make every effort to arrange medical appointments for your child out of school hours. If an appointment has to be during the school day, please provide the school office with a copy of the appointment form. We appreciate that many doctors/dentists now

send appointment reminders by text and sight of these by the school office will be acceptable. Thank you.

VACANCIES

Lunchtime supervisor

The de Ferrers Trust is looking to appoint an enthusiastic lunchtime supervisor to supervise the children at Richard Wakefield C.E. Primary Academy.

Please see our website for full details or enquire at the office.