



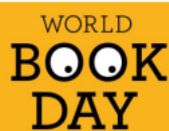
NEWSLETTER

Selattyn C. E. Primary School

10th March 2023

This terms assembly theme is: **FORGIVENESS**

World Book Day and Author Visit



A big thank you to everyone who took part in our World Book Day celebrations. A great day of reading and book themed activities was had by all! We were also lucky enough to have the published author, Sarah Griffiths, to share her latest book, *The Lost Voices*, with us. The

children behaved beautifully, listened intently, and asked some very pertinent questions at the end of the session. World Book Day vouchers were given out to each child at the end of the day, [so please feel free to browse their website for more information](#). The school will also be holding a Scholastic Book Fair between 24th-29th March. More details to follow next week.

Lastly, staff would like to thank PTA for funding the author visit and to parents for helping to provide such wonderful costumes. They really made the day special, and your time and effort was very much appreciated.

Class Dojo

We are now starting to use ClassDojo to connect with families, share classroom moments and much more. The ClassDojo app can be downloaded from google store or App Store. Individual invites will be sent out on Monday when children are back in school. You can also [Join Selattyn School by clicking here](#). Any requests will be authorised by class teachers before full access will be given. [As we move to using ClassDojo please read this Class Dojo usage policy which by joining ClassDojo you are agreeing to abide by](#).

Please remember:

Parents should not take images from ClassDojo and post them elsewhere online. What is posted in Dojo stays in Dojo. Breaching this requirement will lead to account suspension.

Parents/guardians can message teachers, however, do not expect an immediate response as teachers will be in class and responses will only be given during the hours of 8am – 4-30pm. **Any urgent messages (sickness, medical appointment etc) should still go through the office as normal.**

Parents' Evening

Parents evening is taking place on Tuesday 28th and Wednesday 29th March. Letters will be sent out to pupils early next week for you to request an appointment. Please be aware, some classes appointments will be available at different times depending on teacher availability and teaching commitments.

Winter Weather

It is never an easy decision to close the school but with the adverse weather conditions and health and safety concerns we had no other option than to close the school. Thank you for your understanding and we hope all children have been able to access the remote learning. We are looking forward to seeing everyone on Monday.

Shropshire Star Cash for Schools

Don't forget to collect your cash for schools vouchers from the Shropshire Star to help us win a share of £12,000. You can send the voucher direct or bring them into school and we will send them in together.

Diary Dates

Next week

Mon	Swimming – Year 5 P.E. – Class 1 & 2 Sports Club – years 3,4,5 & 6
Tues	Guitar & Piano lessons Forest School – Class 2 Vision Screening – Class 1 3:30 – 4:15 SATs club 3:30 – 4:30 Science Club
Wed	P.E. Class 3 Sports Club – years 1 & 2
Thu	
Fri	P.E. Class 4 Sports Club – years 3,4,5 & 6

Future Dates

14 th Mar	Reception Vision Screening
17 th Mar	Red Nose Day
24 th – 29 th Mar	Book Fair
28 th & 29 th Mar	Parents Evening
Fri 31 st Mar	Break for Easter PTA Easter Bingo
Mon 17 th Apr	Return to School
8 th May	Bank Holiday for Coronation
9 th – 12 th May	KS2 SATS
13 th May	Selattyn Village Fete
26 th May	Break for Half Term

Stars of the Week

All those who put in fantastic effort to dress up for World Book Day

Visitors to School this week

Sarah Griffith - Author
Mrs Christian Rushton – Supply teacher
Nikki Hill - Chair of Governors
Patrick Gough - Piano
Vera Heringen - Guitar lessons

PTA Easter Events

On 31st March PTA are holding a Fun Easter Bingo Night and are also holding a Easter Egg Art Contest - For full information, [please see letter from PTA](#). A paper copy will be sent home with pupils on Monday

CLASS NEWS

Class 1

Well, what a week! It began with the delivery of five, tiny, but very hungry caterpillars, which resulted in much excitement! We decided to centre our learning around this.

In Numeracy, the children have been learning about the 'days of the week', symmetry and practising our counting skills. In Literacy, the children have ordered the story and retold it to a partner, in their own words. We have also been learning the sound 'oi' in phonics. In R.E, we have also started the Easter story, beginning with 'Palm Sunday'.

The 'World Book Day' celebrations on Wednesday were fantastic! (Photos on the website)
It was wonderful to see all the children, dressed as their favourite book character, and sharing their favourite books. The children took part in lots of reading activities and listened very carefully to our visiting author, Sarah Griffiths, I was very proud of them all.

Have a great weekend everyone, and hopefully you can get some time to enjoy the snow!

Class 2

Firstly, thank you all for making such a wonderful effort to send your child to school in costume last Wednesday. We had a fabulous time celebrating World Book Day and all of the children really enjoyed talking about their chosen character, sharing their book with others, and listening to stories read by Miss Ward when she and I (Mrs Betts) swapped classrooms for a short time.

The children also enjoyed listening to Sarah Griffiths, a KS1 teacher turned author, who read her book and answered lots of questions that the children had thought of. We were so proud of their listening skills, focus and concentration, and it was lovely to hear Sarah Griffiths specifically mention the children's excellent behaviour and to hear her say that she was very impressed with the questions that she had been asked.

In our maths lessons this week, we have consolidated work on fractions and explored efficient ways to add and subtract amounts.

We will have this week's spelling test on Monday morning as I forgot to hand out sheets last Monday. My apologies. However, children will have a little bit more time to practise their spellings over the weekend!

Class 3

In Class 3, we started the week looking at Angles in Maths. By Tuesday, everyone could estimate, then use their 'angle detector' to identify, right angles (and others) in 2D shapes (and around the classroom!). In English, we are really enjoying the book, 'Flat Stanley' by Jeff Brown. We have been empathising with characters and also made our own 'Flat Stanleys'! In R.E. we are looking at the events of Holy Week and thinking about the emotions attached to the events for Christians.

We had a very enjoyable World Book Day this year. We celebrated some of our favourite books and characters and shared some stories. We swapped teachers with Class 4, with Mr. Shepherd reading a story to us, and Mr. Patch reading a story to Class 4. We very much enjoyed the visit from an author, Sarah Griffiths, who read us her latest book, 'The Lost Voices'. She explained the process she goes through in bringing her ideas to life in her stories, and how she gets her books illustrated and published. It was a very enjoyable and informative session for us all. Maybe one day some of us will become published authors. An exciting prospect indeed!

Class 4

We have again had another busy week in Class Four with lots going on including the arrival of the snow! Year Five have enjoyed their first swimming session with all going well. We have continued to look at a number of topical argument and discussion topics and have shared our findings with the class. In Science we have been investigating different electrical circuits which is good fun. We had a great day on Wednesday celebrating World Book Day. The children came dressed up in some fantastic outfits and we all enjoyed meeting the author Sarah Griffiths and asking her a range of questions. We carried out a range of book activities throughout the day and held a special assembly. Well done everybody. A fantastic day! We are now developing our entrepreneur skills by planning how we are going to invest our Virgin money, some great ideas so far! Happy Weekend everybody! to the school. They have had the opportunity to take part in a wide range of activities such as canoeing, archery, gorge walking and climbing. What a fantastic week. Happy weekend everybody!

World Book Day Celebrations



