

School Newsletter



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Alien Landing near Year 1

Last week the children in Year 1 arrived to school to find that a strange spaceship had landed in the school courtyard. During the week the children cordoned off the area and assisted the Suffolk Institute for Alien Research with their investigations into what this was all about. During the week the children took samples from the crash site for analysis and conducted tests on things they found, they deciphered an alien language and found alien footprints their classroom as the alien designed a replacement ship to get them home overnight.

They discovered what the little alien was getting up to around school by looking at CCTV pictures and then provided them with an Earth capsule containing lots of

samples of things to remind them of their trip to Earth. They believe that they came from a moon around the rings of Saturn,

we do hope they got back ok! Pictures below show some stages of their investigation and some of the tasks they performed to help the alien get home.

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Office reminders

If your child is going to be off ill, please let the school know as soon as possible, via email or telephone message.

If your child needs medication in school, please ensure that you provide the package for the medication containing the full prescription information. The school's administration of medication policy can be found on the school's website in the policy section.

Parking issues

We really do appreciate the difficulties with parking close to the school at drop off and pick up times, however please try to avoid parking on double yellow lines if you at all can. Can you also please respect local residents who might need to get out of garages and lanes around the access roads to the school.

Thanks you for your support with this.



Chinese New Year

We've celebrated Chinese New Year with the children this week and as part of that our Reception children have today created a Chinese Dragon and paraded it around the school to musical accompaniment.







Online Safety week

As part of online safety week children from all year groups have been engaging in a range of tasks to highlight this important aspect of their lives. As part of this representatives from the police visited KS1 classes to discuss issues at an age appropriate level with them.



House Points Trophy

Congratulations to the Diamonds and Rubies houses for winning the last two week's House Point trophies.





Tractor Visit to School

Yesterday several year groups enjoyed a visit from a local farmer, who brought a tractor into school for the children to explore and ask questions about.



Younger children spoke to Olly the Farmer about his farm and his tractor, founding out that he grows the onions for McDonald's. They learnt all about how potatoes are grown, that carrots are harvested when we're sleeping and were shown how big a sugar beat is compared to how small the seed of it is. Some older pupils quizzed Olly with questions linked to their topic of Trade, Tourism and sustainability.

Pupil Questionnaire

We are always keen to get pupil feedback about their experience of school, and this week the children have been completing a pupil questionnaire about their experience in school. This data will be analysed over the half term break and will help us in our self-evaluation and also provide pupil insight into things that we can do to improve things for the children across the school.

Helping your child

Hopefully you will all have experienced a positive and helpful parent consultation this week. You should have been provided with some guidance from the teachers about how you can continue to support your children in their ongoing progress during the term ahead. If you require any further advice in this regard please feel free to contact your class teacher.

Bikeability Training

Many of our older children have this week been engaged in their bikeability training. This week-long training should help them all become much safer on the roads and encourage more children to cycle to school. Can I also please remind parents of the Bike train and bike hire options explained in greater depth in the last newsletter on the 2nd February.



Music Ensemble update

Mrs Thompson would like to thank you for so many offers for the Music accompanist, she will be in contact early next half term.

Survey regarding Easter Holiday Club

You will hopefully be aware that we are conducting a survey about whether people would welcome some holiday provision across the Easter break. Please see the link below if you are interested and have not shared your views.

https://forms.gle/BZJrSNKDY1oJ4Z3U8

World Book Day

World Book Day will be on 7th March 2024. Before the holiday, we wanted to confirm information to allow you to plan in advance.

Thursday 7th March 2024

Dress as your favourite book character.

Children are encouraged to create homemade costumes to dress as their favourite literary character and - if possible - to bring a copy of the book with them into school for photos. Please do not go to any great expense with costumes.

Literary-themed School Lunch Menu Further details will be available after half-term.

Book in a Box

Create a shoe-box diorama of your favourite book to share with your class. Please bring these in on the day.

Friday 8th March 2024

'Have your cake and eat it' Bake Sale.

We are fundraising for a Book Shed for the children to enjoy in the playground. We would appreciate any baked goods to sell after school. Further details will be posted after half-term.



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