



English Newsletter

January 2024

Welcome to Spring Term's English newsletter; an opportunity to keep you updated with what children have been doing in English lessons across school, and giving you information you need to know.

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Writing

Our children have produced some wonderful pieces of writing: EYFS have written posters and retold stories, Key Stage 1 have written stories and a diary, and Key Stage 2 have written poems and fantasy stories.

Year 4 & 5 have all been given pens to use when writing, and so are adapting their handwriting to use this new tool.

You learn to *write*
better by *reading*.
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Reading and writing *work*
together to improve your
ability to *think!*

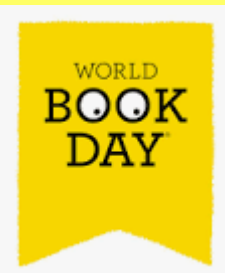
Reading



We have given out lots of bronze reading badges already this year, and now there have been a few silver badges awarded for reading on 100 separate occasions. I wonder who will be getting gold badges for 150!

Please remember to record separate reads in Reading Records (KS1) or BoomReader (KS2), which staff will monitor and award badges when appropriate,

World Book Day 2024 - Thursday 7th March



This year we are really focusing on celebrating and enjoying books, but want all children to be able to do this throughout the year. We are therefore asking for all children on Thursday 7th March, to donate an age-appropriate book, in good condition, to school. We will use these to replenish the book sheds (ready to be opened again for Easter) as some books have been damaged or are damp. Children can come to school in school uniform, own clothes or as a book character on the day. There is no expectation to buy costumes.

We intend for this to be an annual theme for World Book Day.

We will accept donations of books at any time, so please feel free to think of us, next time you're having a clear out. Thank you in advance!