

SPB NEWS

"FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST"



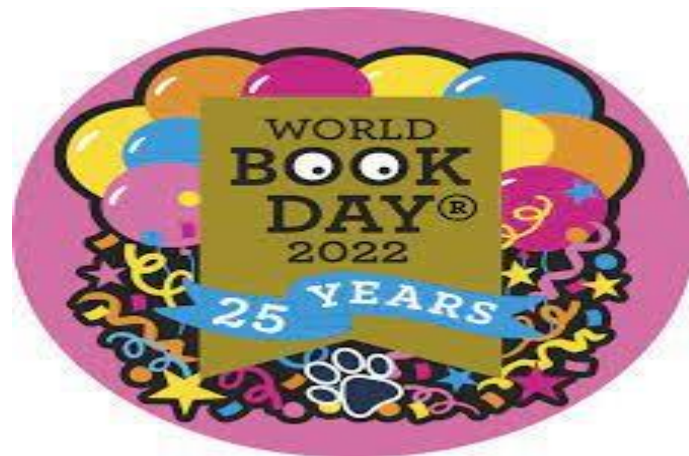
Lent

*Let the love of The Lord
Light up your life
This Lent and Always*

Amen

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World Book Day!



Today SPB celebrated World Book Day! In 2022, we are celebrating the 25th anniversary of World Book Day – with the message for all children **'you are a reader'**!

We celebrated authors, illustrators, books and most of all reading and sharing stories! Children came to school dressed as characters from their favourite book. We saw Harry Potter, Demon Dentist, Alice in Wonderland, Where's Wally, Cat in the Hat, Thing 1 and Thing 2, Cruella Deville, lots of Dalmatians and many more! Some children came to school ready for a bedtime story in their cosy pyjamas or onesies!

Thank you to all children (and staff!) for making a fantastic effort, everyone looked amazing!

PE Days

PE days for next half term, week beginning 28th February 2022, are as follows:

Monday – EYFS & Year 3

Tuesday – Year 1 and Year 5

Wednesday – Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6

Can children please come to school wearing their PE tracksuits/kits on PE day. Thank you.

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Diary Dates

Cross Country @ Sefton Park – Monday 7th March 2022 @ 4pm

With You Always Y4 (Session 7) @ CTK – Wednesday 9th March @ 4.15pm & 6pm

Cross Country @ Wavertree – Thursday 17th March 2022 @ 4pm

U11 Girls League Football @ Simpson Ground – Friday 25th March 2022 1pm - 2.45pm

U11 Boys League Football @ Simpson Ground – Friday 1st April 2022 1pm – 2.45pm

School Closes for Easter Break – Friday 8th April 2022 @ 1.30pm

With You Always Y4 (Session 8) @ CTK – Sunday 10th April 1pm – 3pm

With You Always Y4 (Session 9) @ CTK – Friday 15th April 11am – 1pm

Children Return to School – Monday 25th April 2022

Activities

Day	Club/Activity	Year Group	Time
Monday	Jay Woods Football From 28.02.22 for 6 weeks	Y1	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Tuesday	LLS Multisports From 11.01.22 for 12 weeks	Y1 & Y2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Tuesday	Jay Woods Football From 01.03.22 for 6 weeks	Y5 & Y6	7.50am-8.30am
Wednesday	Jay Woods Football From 02.03.22 for 6 weeks	Y3	7.50am-8.30am
Wednesday	Jay Woods Football From 02.03.22 for 6 weeks	Y2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Wednesday	Debate Club From 12.01.22 for 12 weeks	Y3 & Y4	3pm-4pm
Thursday	Jay Woods Football From 03.03.22 for 6 weeks	Y4	7.50am-8.30am
Thursday	LLS Multisports From 06.01.22 for 12 weeks	Y3 & Y4	3pm – 4pm
Thursday	ReAction Group	Y3 & Y4 Y5 & Y6	3pm – 4pm
Friday	Jay Woods Football From 04.03.22 for 5 weeks – no session on 8 th April 2022	EYFS	3.10pm-4.10pm

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General/Important Information

School Nurse

Parents/carers can now ring the School Nurse directly, anytime, to make an appointment or discuss any issues/concerns you may have regarding your child.

Please call: 0151 295 9700

Reminder – Dogs on School Premises

Can we remind parents that dogs are not allowed within the school grounds.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK?

EYFS:

Reception have settled back into school really well this week following the mid-term break. We have started our new topic, Dinosaurs! The children have been really excited to find out all about dinosaurs and to begin exploring our dinosaur themed area in class. During Topic time we created a spider diagram of all the things we think we 'already know' about dinosaurs. We then followed this up with researching online and in non-fiction books to see if we were correct. We found out so many interesting facts and added them to our spider diagram in a different colour. During busy time we have continued with our new theme by creating our own dinosaurs using 2D shapes and making our own fossils in the funky fingers area! In maths we have begun learning about subtraction. We used practical and concrete methods to help us with this, we also learnt a song to help us remember some rules about subtracting! In RE we have started our new topic of Lent. We have learnt about Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday. We finished the week discussing how we can grow to be more like Jesus during Lent and made some Lent promises together. We also celebrated World Book Day together! All the children looked fantastic in their costumes! We shared with our friends who we were dressed up as and made a special book mark together. Thank you for your support as always.

YEAR ONE:

Our first week of term has been a fun one! As part of our DT project, we designed and created healthy, appetising pancakes on Shrove Tuesday. We loved decorating our pancakes with a selection of chopped fruit but most of all, we loved eating them!

To reveal our new story genre in our English lessons, we completed a fun quiz about traditional tales. Then, we read the story of Jack and the Beanstalk in preparation for our work over the next couple of weeks.

In RE, we began our new topic 'Meals', where we shared a memory of a special meal that we had during a special time and thought about how we felt. We learned that people go to Mass to celebrate Jesus' special meal.

In Maths, we have been revisiting different methods that we have learned so far this year and have solved some tricky problems. We have started counting in 10's as this will help us with our new topic next week.

Finally, our favourite day of the week was World Book Day. We loved talking about our fantastic characters and the stories that they are from. We completed fun activities and created a reading crown to encourage our love of reading.

YEAR TWO:

This week we have been learning all about the farm. We started off our new English reading book Mossop's last chance and found out some key information about the working of the farm from Tractor Ted. This gave us a head start before our trip to Kenyon Hall Farm on Thursday. When we visited the farm, we were able to see the full process behind planting and growing fruit and vegetables. We learned how it has to be planned in advance and how important it is to provide the right nutrients for the plants. We had lots of fun taking our learning outside of the classroom and look forward to looking after our beans and peas. In History, we were learning all about life in Mexico. We looked at our case study village, Tocuaro and how it is famous for mask making by the Horta family. On Wednesday, we marked the special beginning of Lent by learning all about what Lent is and how we can better ourselves as Christians during this time.

YEAR THREE:

Year 3 were introduced to two new units this week. In Science, the children learned that a force is a push or a pull and that pushing and pulling can make objects stop, start, speed up or slow down. They discussed pushes and pulls in sports, before considering these forces within their homes. In Geography, the children consolidated their knowledge on continents and oceans (which was really impressive!) and are now looking forward to their unit on volcanoes. We ended our first week of the Spring 2 term, along with the rest of the school, as characters from our favourite books. The children looked absolutely fabulous and participated in activities around the prize-winning picture book 'Tuesday' by David Wiesner. In the afternoon, links were made to the Convention on the Rights of the Child, particularly articles 17, 29 and 31. A big thank you to all our families for all their efforts in preparing their child for World Book Day.

YEAR FOUR:

It was an exciting first week back after half-term in Year 4!

On Wednesday, we were joined by Year 5 in the hall for a special Ash Wednesday Mass with Father Colin. This was a particularly poignant occasion as it was the first Mass celebrated by more than one year group in the hall in 2 years! Some of our children helped in delivering scripture readings and by bringing the offertory to the altar. Our pupils took great enjoyment from the celebration and displayed a reverent attitude throughout.

This week in English, we have started our new novel, 'Melvin McGee - Zombie Hunter.' The stories gripping plot has really caught the imagination of the year group and has led to some high quality diary entries, writing in the style of 10 year old Melvin.

On Tuesday, we finished off our D.T projects - creating an eye-catching purse or wallet. The Year 4 team were really impressed by the determination and focus showed by pupils in this unit, tackling some tricky skills such as sewing with a needle, using a running stitch and tying knots in the thread. We were really pleased with the pupils' end products - well done Year 4! As we go to press, Year 4 are partaking in a range of activities to celebrate World Book Day such as designing book marks and book covers and exploring vocabulary using dictionaries. We have loved seeing all the wonderful and creative outfits across the classes and hearing why different characters and books have been chosen!

YEAR FIVE:

In RE this week we looked at the Mysteries of Faith and which symbols could be used to represent their meaning. We also celebrated mass for Ash Wednesday with Father Colin and talked about what we will be doing and giving up this Lent. In History, we began looking at the city of Baghdad, it's location and why it has featured in the media in recent years. In Maths, we have continued with our decimal's topic, this week, adding and subtracting decimals, with particular focus on their place value. Our World Book Day costumes were brilliant and we've thoroughly enjoyed reading the first chapter of our new Guided Reading Book, Fantastic Frankie and the Brain Drain Machine. Our fluency is improving and we have been using great expression to entertain the audience. In English, we have started looking at Attack of the Slime and investigated different sauces we could flood our school with in our own stories. We also visited the school kitchen where our chef showed us the mixing machine and how it could be tampered with to overflow! We then went on a walk around the school exploring the route the sauce could take as it begins to attack our school! We also had a Computing day this week in which we explored computer systems and networks and how information is shared.

YEAR SIX:

Year 6 have hit the ground running after a well-deserved half-term break. In maths, we have revisited algebra and then began to explore the area and perimeter of squares and rectangles. Once we learned the formula for these we were excited to challenge each other on our own types of problems. Our English lessons involved looking at metaphors, similes and personification as we delve deeper into our poetry unit. We had loads of fun looking at metaphors and how it can create a powerful image in our heads. In R.E. we looked at friendship and what characteristics it takes to be a good friend to someone. It made us reflect on some choices of actions and words that we could use to support a friend in need. We ended the week dressed up as a character from our favourite book, enjoyed reading a story to Year 1 and did some work around World Book Day too.

A fast-paced yet exciting week was had.

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