

SPB NEWS

"FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST"



World Book Day

On Thursday SPB celebrated World Book Day! We celebrated authors, illustrators, books and most of all reading and sharing stories from breakfast to bedtime!

The children came to school dressed as characters from their favourite book. We saw Harry Potter, Alice in Wonderland, Willy Wonka, Pikachu, Mary Poppins, Paddington, Where's Wally, Barbie, lots of Dalmatians and many more great costumes!

Thank you to all children (and staff!) for making a fantastic effort, everyone looked amazing! Please head to Twitter for more photos!

*You can find magic wherever you look.
Sit back and relax, all you need is a book!*

Dr Seuss

Mother's Day – Sunday 10th March

*Loving God, we thank you for mothers – for all they mean
or have meant, for the love they have shown
and the care they have given.*

*We thank you for the qualities of mothers –
their patience, their kindness,
concern and understanding.*

*we thank you for the part they play in our lives,
and we thank you for this day of saying 'thank you',
this opportunity to say what we so often mean to say
but so rarely do.*

*For mothers and motherhood,
for children and families
we bring you this day our grateful praise.*

Cross Country

Well done to all the children who took part in the final Cross Country league race at Wavertree on Thursday evening. We are extremely proud of you all, and we are eagerly awaiting the final league results.



Reminder – Parent Consultation Meeting Dates

Wednesday 13th March: Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3 (1.00pm – 6.20pm)

Thursday 21st March: Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6 (1.00pm – 6.20pm)

Monday 25th March: EYFS Reception (1.00pm – 6.20pm)

Comic Relief – Red Nose Day

SPB will be supporting Comic Relief's Red Nose Day by selling Red Noses throughout next week! Red Noses will go on sale on Monday 11th March and cost £2 each.

The money raised from Comic Relief's little Red Noses can change people's lives. Year after year, their famous Red Noses remind us that even the littlest of things can make a huge difference.

Also, Red Noses can now be easily recycled at home! All of the material in this year's Red Noses are plant-based and so fully recyclable.

All year-round, the money donated to Comic Relief works hard to support some incredible projects making a change to people's lives across the UK and around the world. In fact, over the last few years, Comic Relief funding has helped to support 3 million people.

PTA Own Clothes Day – Friday 15th March



Our next PTA own clothes day will take place on **Friday 15th March** when a donation of an Easter Egg will be gratefully received to support our Easter Family Bingo events.

PTA Easter Family Bingo Events:

KS1– Wednesday 20th March 5pm–7pm

KS2 – Wednesday 27th March 5pm–7pm

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PTA Easter Egg Raffle

The PTA are holding a raffle to win an amazing Easter Egg hamper! Tickets will go on sale on Monday 11th March and cost 50p per ticket. Don't miss your chance to win one of the hampers shown below!



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Diary Dates

Y4 Ski Trip Meeting via Zoom – Monday 11th March @ 4pm

Cross Country City Championships @ Wavertree – Tuesday 12th March 4pm

Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 Parents' Evening – Wednesday 13th March 1pm – 6.20pm

Own Clothes Day – Donations of Easter Eggs – Friday 15th March

Comic Relief Red Nose Day – Friday 15th March

Final Y5 Swimming Session – Monday 18th March

Cross Country City Championships @ Wavertree – Monday 18th March 4pm

Y4 First Holy Communion Session 4 @ CTK – Tuesday 19th March at 4.15pm & 6pm

Easter Bingo KS1 – Wednesday 20th March

Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 Parents' Evening – Thursday 21st March 1pm – 6.20pm

Own Clothes Day – Donations of Easter Eggs – Friday 22nd March

Mass at SPB – Monday 25th March @ 9.15am

Reception Parents' Evening – Monday 25th March 1pm – 6.20pm

Easter Bingo KS2 – Wednesday 27th March

School closes for Easter break – Thursday 28th March @ 1.30pm

Easter Break – Friday 29th March to Friday 12th April

Children return to school – Monday 15th April 8.30am

Activities – Spring Term

Day	Club/Activity	Year Group	Time
Monday	Jay Woods Football From 19.02.24 for 6 weeks	Y1	3.05pm – 4.05pm
Monday	Choir	KS2	3pm – 4pm
Monday	Computer Club Every other Monday starting 26.02.24	Y2	3pm – 4pm
Tuesday	Jay Woods Football From 20.02.24 for 6 weeks	Y5 & Y6	7.45am – 8.30am
Tuesday	LLS Multi-sports From w/b 08.01.24 to 28.03.24	Y3 & Y4	3pm – 4pm
Tuesday	Debate Academy 30.01.24 to 26.04.24	Y4, Y5 & Y6	3.05pm–4.05pm
Wednesday	Jay Woods Football From 21.02.24 for 6 weeks	Y2	3.05pm – 4.05pm
Wednesday	Wellbeing Club		3pm – 4pm
Thursday	Jay Woods Football From 22.02.24 for 5 weeks	Y3 & Y4	7.45am – 8.30am
Thursday	LLS Multi-sports From w/b 08.01.24 to 28.03.24	Y1 & Y2	3pm – 4pm
Thursday	ReAction Group	Y4, Y5 & Y6	3pm – 4pm
Thursday	Dot Art	Y5	3pm – 4pm
Friday	Jay Woods Football From 23.02.24 for 5 weeks	EYFS	3.05pm–4.05pm

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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.

Community

Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church presents The Belle Vale Passion, a community passion play in the heart of Belle Vale.

This will take place on Holy Saturday, 30th March 2024 at 12pm at Belle Vale Shopping Centre, L25 2RF.

For more information please visit BelleValePassion.co.uk

Mad Science Holiday Easter Camp



Mad SCIENCE CAMPS 2024 INFORMATION

EASTER CAMPS

WEEK 1: 2nd – 5th April
The King's School, Chester, CH4 7QL
Liverpool Aquatics Centre, L15 4LE
AKS Prep School, Lytham, FY8 1DT

WEEK 2: 8th – 12th April
Alderley Edge School for Girls, SK9 7QE
Fulwood and Cadley Primary School, PR2 3QT
Lancaster University Chaplaincy, LA1 4YW

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WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK?

EYFS:

This week in Maths we have explored capacity. We used language full, nearly full, half full, nearly empty and empty to describe the capacity of different amounts. In RE, we continued to listen to the Easter Story and learned about what happened to Jesus on Easter Sunday. We finished our Easter Story booklets and listened to a song call 'Alleluia'. In RSHE we learned about sun safety whilst in PE we developed our throwing and catching skills. On Thursday, we had a great day celebrating World Book Day. We were so impressed with everyone's costumes! We completed a World Book Day quiz and a book review. We also enjoyed listening to children in Year Four read us a story. On Friday, we used pictures to compose and write captions. We were so impressed with the writing produced. Children were using capital letters, finger spaces and even full stops! Finally, we have been preparing special cards and pictures for our Mums and Nans. We hope you like them! Happy Mother's Day to all the special Mums, Nans and other women in our lives. Have a lovely weekend!

YEAR ONE:

It has been a great week in Year 1. We have been writing stories in English, re-telling the story of Where the Wild Things Are. In Maths, everyone has been using their independent skills to answer many different Maths questions. In RE, we learnt about and role played Palm Sunday. We started a new topic in Science, by recalling all our prior knowledge about Humans, drawing around a human body and labelling all the body parts. In History, we also started our topic of Toys; drawing and writing about our own favourite toy today. We also had a fantastic day on World Book Day, we shared the books, the character we dressed up as was from, designed book covers and entered the design a book token competition. We also had a lovely time reading our books with Year 5!

YEAR TWO:

What a fantastic week of learning in Year 2! We have started the week writing our own diary entries about the 'Night Gardener' from William's perspective using all of our learning from the topic so far. In Maths, we have been exploring coins and notes and counting how much amounts make when combined together. We know the different symbols to use when recording pounds and pence. In R.E, we acted out what happened on Palm Sunday as Jesus rode his donkey into Jerusalem. We made our own palm leaves and role played as the villagers as Jesus entered. On Wednesday, our final groups visited Incredible Edibles in Court Hey park. The children had a wonderful time, planting seeds, using their senses to smell herbs and have a look at the chickens and guinea pigs. Finally, Thursday was such an exciting day for the children, as they all came in dressed as their favourite characters for World Book Day. They got to enjoy reading with Y6 and other fun reading activities throughout the day including designing their own book token.

YEAR THREE:

We gathered in the hall, along with Father Colin and the parishioners, to celebrate Mass on Monday morning – which was a rather relaxing way to start a new school week! In our maths lessons, we explored time in both 12- hour and 24-hour notations; in English, we have reached the 'analyse' phase of the unit, where the children explored structure and language in a 'return narrative'; whilst in science, the children thoroughly enjoyed being mechanical engineers – investigating the best surface on which to slow down a Formula 1 car (we used a toy one – obviously!). We continued to work towards a design brief in the DT lesson – an interactive poster to promote reading, which links well to World Book Day, which we all celebrated on Thursday (a big 'thank you' to families for their efforts!). In computing, the children thoroughly enjoyed creating branching databases, using the j.2data online programme; whilst in the Rights Respecting Schools' lesson on Friday, we continued to consider the impact of climate change and ways to both adapt to the changes in weather patterns, as well as mitigate the effects. One thing was clear – we all have a role to play in saving our planet!

YEAR FOUR:

Another busy week has flown by in the blink of an eye in Year 4!

In English, we have been writing in the 1st person from the perspective of the polar bear in the story, 'Leaf.' There has been brilliant descriptive writing taking place in the classroom using expanded noun phrases, fronted adverbials and prepositions to describe the weather and settings.

On Friday, Year 4 finished their time unit in maths. We have focused on converting between the 12 hour and 24 hour clock, converting weeks into days and hours into minutes and calculating lengths of time. We would encourage pupils to continue to practise these skills at home in order to consolidate their learning.

We started our new history unit on Monday focusing on the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade.

Pupils were presented with a number of sources from the time, which were studied in order to gain an insight into what life was like during that time.

World Book Day was a really celebratory day delving into the world of literature! Year 4 took part in a quiz, designed their own book tokens and read a story to Reception children. It was wonderful to hear pupils talk enthusiastically about books that they have recently enjoyed, and of course, their fantastic outfits!

YEAR FIVE:

In RE this week, Year 5 examined the Eucharist and wrote guides about Communion for anyone interested in becoming Catholic or who has not been to Mass before. In Maths, we have continued to add and subtract decimals, this time involving perimeter, and rounded decimals to three decimal places. In English, we have gathered ideas and planned and begun writing our own setting narrative based on our vehicle text, FArTHER. This week's Geography lesson was all about chocolate! We looked at how it is a global trade and its journey from the plant to the shop. We loved World Book Day this year, in particular sharing stories with the Year 1 children, and there were some brilliant costumes! A great week, well done!

YEAR SIX:

Year 6 have thoroughly enjoyed writing their persuasive letters inspired by the book 'Hansel and Gretel.' We would encourage you to read these when you see your children's books at the parent consultation day. In maths, Algebra is our current topic, where we unpicked what it actually means and coming up with rules for number sequences. We practised our debating skills in PSHE, arguing whether travelling by air has more benefits or negatives. Collectively, we understood that although it has major benefits to society, there may be ways to reduce the numbers traveling so that it has more of a positive impact to our environment. Our guided reading book this week was 'Black Beauty' and we have unpicked a range of learning from the book paying particular attention to the author's choice of words to convey meaning. We used laptops to research natural disasters in Geography, which in turn will aid us with our write-up next week outlining the effects natural disasters have on human and physical geography. We also enjoyed dressing up for our last ever World Book Day in our school.

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