

Friday 1st March 2024



A message from Miss Poleon...



Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope our newsletter finds you well and that you and your families have enjoyed a restful half term break. I wanted to take a moment to reflect on the past two weeks, as it has been a wonderful start to the second half of the spring term.

First and foremost, I would like to commend all the children for coming back to school with so much enthusiasm and eagerness to learn. It is wonderful to see them looking smart and ready to take on new challenges. Embracing this positive attitude will help make this term a resounding success for each and every one of them.

I am proud to announce that Year 3 set the bar high with a brilliant class assembly. Congratulations to Miss Channer, Miss Allen and all the children involved; their hard work and dedication truly paid off. It was a joy to witness their confidence on stage and the pride they felt while showcasing their talents. Well done, Year 3!

Looking ahead, we have an exciting half term planned with various trips, World Book Day celebrations, and Easter festivities. These events will provide invaluable experiences and enrichment opportunities for the children. I encourage you to mark these dates in your calendars and join us in making these occasions memorable for our children.

Attendance is a crucial aspect of a child's education, and I am delighted to inform you that two of our classes achieved an **outstanding 97%** attendance rate last week. This is truly remarkable, and I commend the children and parents involved for their commitment to regular school attendance. Let's strive to maintain this level of participation as we understand the profound impact it has on our children's academic progress.

In closing, I would like to express my gratitude to all parents and carers for your continued support in ensuring our school operates smoothly. Together, we can foster an environment where our children thrive and achieve their full potential. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch with the school office.

Wishing you all a productive and enjoyable half term!

God bless,

Miss Poleon

Collective Worship



This week we have continued focusing on the value of **Perseverance**.

Hebrews 12: 1-2

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with **perseverance the race marked out for us**, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith.

In the words of Michael Jordan....



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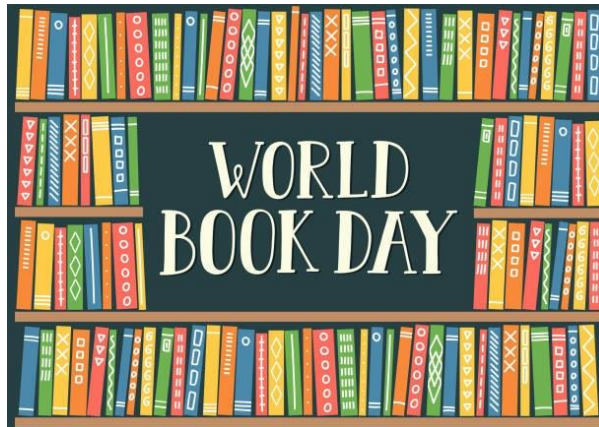
In the words of John Wesley...

Do all the good YOU CAN.
BY all the means **●**
..... you can.
IN ALL THE WAYS YOU CAN.
IN ALL THE PLACES
===== **YOU CAN.**
At all the times YOU CAN.
To **ALL THE PEOPLE**
AS LONG ===== you can.
● as you ever can.

john wesley

World Book Day 2024!

Thursday 7th March!



We will be celebrating World Book Day here at Hawkesley on **Thursday 7th March!** You should all have received the information via email and on Class Dojo. Rather than dressing up as a book character, we will be having a vocabulary parade where each child can come in dressed as a word! Have a look at the images for more information. **Please have your word displayed on your costume just like it is in the pictures.**

Competition Time!

EXTRA READING

Please take a photo of yourself completing some **extreme reading!** This means a photo of you reading your book in an unusual way/place. Maybe reading in the bath tub...under the bed...in the boot of your car...in the kitchen cupboard...maybe in Sainsbury's (other supermarkets are available).

Prizes will be given out to one person from each class for the most creative photos.

Please email your photos (BEFORE WORLD BOOK DAY) to office@hawkesley.bdmf.org.uk

WORLD BOOK DAY

Dressing up!

Instead of dressing up as a book character this year, we thought we would do something a little different. This year we will be having a Vocabulary Parade! Each child can choose an interesting word and create a costume that represents it. Each class will parade around the hall showing off their designs. Please see overleaf for some examples of what we mean!

Make sure your word is written on your costume!

A Day of Fun!

The day will be filled with lots of fun book activities for the entire day!

Library

Every class will enjoy some special library time!

Dressing Up ideas!

ENERGY

Royalty

FIRE

EMOTIONAL: Very happy or excited

fan

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PERPLEXED

Stylish

WORLD

WORLD

Extreme Reading Competition for World Book Day!

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Year 3 Class Collective Worship



Year 3 treated to us to a wonderful class Collective Worship last week. It was wonderful to see the children share the work that they had been doing in class so passionately and confidently. This is what Miss Channer had to say:

In our class collective worship, three groups of archaeology students guided everyone through the Stone, Bronze and Iron Ages and uncovered all sorts of fascinating information as they tried to piece together the prehistory jigsaw puzzle. Everyone was transported back to meet mammoth hunters and witness amazing discoveries, as well as witnessing the retelling of the discovery of the prehistoric settlement at Skara Brae. Year 3 were outstanding and were able to fill the audience with a breadth of knowledge in a fun, exciting way

Year 3 were outstanding indeed! Well done Year 3!







Attendance!



Attendance Matters



At Hawkesley, we are committed to the continuous raising of achievement of all our pupils. Regular attendance is critical if our pupils are to be successful and benefit from the opportunities presented to them. Good attendance is fundamental to a successful and fulfilling school experience.

In partnership with parents we have a duty to promote good attendance.

Parental Responsibility

Parents have a legal duty to ensure that their children attend school regularly and arrive on time. Regular attendance is essential to the all-round development of the child and they should be allowed to take full advantage of educational opportunities available to them in order to make good progress in their learning.

Why is attendance important?

Attending school on a regular basis is the key to your child doing well at school and sets them up with good habits from an early age through to adulthood and the working world.

It also gives children the opportunity to:

- make friends and feel included
- boost social skills, confidence and self-esteem
- develop the skills to learn new things
- achieve their full potential
- improve their prospects

Small changes can make a big difference

Parents are advised to:

- Show your child that you think school is important
- Not keep your child off school if they are worried or have a problem – you should come and talk to the school. There is no problem we cannot solve together.
- Praise your child's achievements
- Avoid getting your child into bad habits from an early age; these are hard to break later in life

Does Attendance Really Matter?



Our attendance winners this week are Year 4 with a wonderful 97%!!

Well done Year 4!!

ATTENDANCE FOR THIS WEEK:							
Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
95%	96%	85%	94%	90%	97%	94%	92%

Stars of the Week



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Friday 1 st March 2024	
Nursery	Riley
Reception	AJ
Year 1	DJ
Year 2	Christopher
Year 3	Dua
Year 4	Wade
Year 5	James
Year	Kaysie & Emmanuel

Hawkesley Sponsored Walk!









Swimming!

A reminder of our swimming dates below. Year 4 have been thoroughly enjoying their lessons this half term.

Swimming 	
Year 4	Spring 1 Lesson -1:30 - 2:00pm Every Tuesday 16th January - 6th February
Year 5	Summer 1 Lesson -1:30 - 2:00pm Every Tuesday 23rd April - 21st May
Year 3	Summer 1 Every day for 2 weeks WB 13.05.2023 WB 20.05.2023 Lesson -10:30 - 11:00 am
Year 6	Summer 2 Every day for 2 weeks WB 01.07.2023 WB 08.07.2023 Lesson - 10:30 - 11:00 am

Diary Dates



Diary Dates Spring Term	
Monday 19 th February 2024	School reopens to all children.
Wednesday 21 st February 2024	Year 3 class worship
W/C 19 th March 2024	School Sponsored Walk
Thursday 7 th March 2024	World Book Day!
Tuesday 12 th March 2024	Year 4 & Year 6 trip to Shakespeare's Birthplace Trust
Tuesday 12 th March 2024	Parent Mental Health Workshop – Healthy Sleeping
Wednesday 13 th March 2024	Parents' Consultations
Monday 18 th March 2024	Flute Ensemble Concert Trip
Wednesday 20 th March 2024	Nursery Trip to Attwell Farm
Thursday 21 st March 2024	Easter Music Concert
Friday 22 nd March 2024	St Nicolas Easter Service
Friday 22 nd March 2024	Break up for Easter Holidays
<i>There will be further details to follow on some of the events above.</i>	

Sunday's Reading from St Nicolas

Matthew 5:13-20

Salt and Light

13 "You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

14 "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. **15** Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. **16** In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

Join us at 10:30am on Sunday for our family worship!

Rev. Larry Wright



We have been listening to Reggae & Ska



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Community Notices...

Hawkesley Church Activities

Hawkesley Church	
Event	Date
Coffee and Chat	Every other Tuesday
Knit and Natter	Wednesdays 10am-12pm
Prayer Meeting	Wednesdays 12pm
Forest Church Hawkesley Pastoral Centre	
9 th March	
13 th April	
11 th May	
8 th June	
13 th July	
These are 2-4pm on Saturday (these are all 2 nd Saturday of the month) and meet at Hawkesley Pastoral Centre.	

Have a wonderful weekend!