

17th March 2017

Week beginning 20th March

Shakespeare Week

Monday 20th March

Year 3 Tree Planting

Thursday 23rd March

Mother's Day Assembly
Reception, Year 1 & Year 2
9.10am

Friday 24th March

Mother's Day Assembly Key Stage 2 9.10am

Friday 24th March

Year 4,5,6 - 15 children Tree Planting

Tuesday 28th March

Year 5 to Alcester Academy 'Alice in Wonderland'

Friday 31st March

Disco

Friday 31st March

Year 2 Trip Coventry Transport Museum & Herbert Art Gallery.

Letters have gone out to parents. Please ask at the office if you haven't received one.

Wednesday 5th April

Year 5 Easter Assembly
9.10am

Thursday 6th April

Year 5 Easter Assembly
9.10am

Friday 7th April

Break up for Easter

Next Newsletter
Friday 31st March

Reminder Year 5

On Tuesday March 28th the children in Year 5 are going to Alcester Academy to see 'Alice in Wonderland'.

Mrs Karen O'Shea
Head of School

Parents' Consultation Evenings

Thank you to all parents/carers who attended parents meetings this term. If you were unable to book or had to cancel please contact your child's class teacher to arrange a mutually convenient date and time.

Comic Relief



As in previous years we will be supporting the charity in school. Your children can wear either the official Red Nose merchandise to school, as long as it is suitable, or wear red for a donation of £1.00. Please no football tops, face paint or hair gel. Years 5 & 6 will still need to bring their PPA sport kit for the afternoon. There will be a special Red Nose Day lunch of **Hot Dog, Veggie Burger or Ham Wrap.**

Mother's Day Assemblies.

We would like to invite family members to our Mother's Day assemblies, which we are holding on Thursday and Friday next week. The children are collaborating to perform in their Key Stage Mother's Day assembly and will celebrate their families, through songs and poetry. They are going to be held on the following dates and will start at 9.10am in the hall:
Thursday 23rd March - Reception Year 1 & Year 2 (Key Stage 1)
Friday 24th March - Juniors - Years 3,4,5&6 (Key Stage 2)

Birthdays - Celebration Assemblies

There will be no Celebration Assembly on Friday 24th March due to the Mothers Day Assembly taking place for Key Stage 2. Birthdays falling between 18th March to 31st March will be celebrated on Friday 31st March.

Birthdays falling between 1st April and 21st April (includes Easter Holidays) will be celebrated on Friday 7th April.



BINGO NIGHT

Thank you to everyone who attended the Friends of St Nicholas' first Bingo evening. It was lovely to welcome so many different members from our local community and lots of fun was had by all. We would like to thank Mr Ronneberg who provided the catering and all 'The Friends' involved for making such a successful evening. £466 was raised and the money will be put towards the school library.

New Library - many thanks to all those parents who kindly gave up their time to help scan and upload books to our new library system yesterday. We will keep you updated on the launch date.....watch this space!

SHAKESPEARE WEEK

Shakespeare Week is next week and we shall be celebrating this in school through a variety of activities linked to Shakespeare's life and works in conjunction with The Shakespeare Birthplace Trust. Take a look at the website to find out more about it. <https://www.shakespeare.org.uk/>

10 Million Minutes Between 9th and 16th March, all of the children took part in this national scheme for primary schools across England to see if we could read for a total of Ten Million Minutes in one week. The children all had a personal bookmark

on which to record how many minutes they read for each day. We can now reveal that we reached 58,135 minutes across the week. Well done to everyone who took part and especially to class 5D who jointly read for 15,100 minutes and Eve Sparkes who read for the most minutes in the whole school - 1,607.



School Disco 31st March
Infants - 4.30-6pm
Juniors - 6.30-8pm

Letters have been sent home today with the children. Please ask at the office if you haven't received one.

Dance Years 4,5,6 After School Club will finish a bit earlier at 4.15pm and Tennis Years 1,2,3 After School Club will finish a bit earlier at 4.15pm to accommodate the setting up of the disco.

Sporting Events

On 6th March we took part in the Southern Warwickshire Indoor Athletics Final - congratulations to our team who came 3rd overall.

On 7th March we hosted the Key Stage 1 Multi-skills Festival - we were very proud of our children and we won the event overall. On 7th March we took part in the Inter Primary School Football League match - well done to our team who won 8-0.

Good luck to the children who are representing the school in the Southern Warwickshire Swimming Gala on Wednesday 29th March and the Gymnastics Competition on Monday 27th March.

Shakespeare Workshops

On Monday 13th March Year 4 children had the opportunity to take part in a drama workshop led by the Royal Shakespeare Company. They learned about the play- The Tempest and enjoyed this experience immensely. A big thank you again to The Friends of St Nicholas who funded this for the second year running.



From Chris & Carys...

On Monday the RSC came to work with Year 4. we spent the day doing drama and games related to the Shakespeare play The Tempest. We played granny's footsteps but in The Tempest version.

NSPCC workshops

Over the last two weeks years 5 and 6 took part in workshops delivered by the NSPCC. This gave the children an understanding of keeping safe and included areas such as abuse, neglect, bullying and e-safety. The children were given information about ChildLine, which can be vital in supporting any child, at anytime, free of charge to promote their safety and well being. Money has been collected from Big Buddy's Workout which will be handed to Deborah Sharp from the NSPCC on Friday 24th March. Thank you to everyone who supported this cause. The children really enjoyed their workouts. We hope to update you on the total amount of money raised, once this has been calculated by the NSPCC.

African Children's Choir

A reminder to the parents of all children in the choir that they are taking part in an evening event at Stratford Artshouse on Wednesday 7th June with the world famous African Children's Choir. These are the children who performed with Gary Barlow on the number one single 'Sing'. Tickets are on sale now but this is a very popular event so if you want to go and watch your children, it would be advisable to book now. The tickets are available to parents for £8 using the code: Kenya and available from the Stratford Artshouse. Tel: 01789 207100



Baby & Child First Aid Course

A reminder that we would like to offer this highly recommended course to our parents for a great price of £5.00 for 2 hours training. If anyone is interested could you contact the school office and we will see if there are sufficient numbers to run the course. The content of the course can be found on the website below.

<https://www.acfirstaid.co.uk/first-aid/baby-and-child-first-aid>

AC FIRST AID

Year 5 Science Day - Thursday 9th March



On Thursday 9th March Year 5 were lucky enough to have an amazing Science Day. Three other schools came to take part in three fun activities all linked to sound. We were very lucky to have Mr Jones, a secondary school science teacher, who spent the day with us showing us all sorts of amazing experiments. Daisy commented that she really liked the experiments bought in by Mr Jones especially making loud speakers. Another activity was with Mrs Davies where we were investigating pitch using bottles and water. Miss Jones organised two different activities to explore whether sound travels through mediums other than air. Sophie said "I enjoyed making and testing the ear gongs". Ella commented, "doing all the experiments were fun".

Hannah and Emmeline.

