

# Farnsfield St Michael's CofE Primary School Newsletter



3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023

## Weekly Briefing

Dear All,

Thank you for attending the Parent's Evening sessions this week. It was lovely to see so many faces in school and to celebrate the children's achievements with you.

We had a fantastic day on Wednesday celebrating **International Day**. There was a variety of activities taking place across school and the children found out about many countries including: Spain, Germany, Italy, Ireland, China, New Zealand, USA, Nepal, Netherlands, France and Australia. Many thanks to Miss Beaumont for organising this day of off-timetable activities and enabling the children to gain a wider understanding of our world and develop their geographical knowledge and skills.

Some year groups had homework set linked to International Day and brought in some fabulous work. Thank you all for your support with this.

Thanks also to Kris Worsley for coming in and teaching the children songs in Spanish from the Dominican Republic! What a fun day had by all!



Please do read on as there is a lot of important information and updates this week which we have to share with you.

Best wishes, Louise Carpenter

## This Week's Key Dates and Events

**KS1 National Space Centre  
Visit – Monday 6th March**

**Y3/4 Castleton residential  
Monday 6th – Wednesday  
8th March**

**Y5 visit to Sneinton Mosque  
– Tuesday 7th March**

**NO BSL Club this week –  
Tuesday**

**PSA Mother's Day Gift  
Deadline for orders – 8<sup>th</sup>  
March**

**Y4 Swimming – Wednesday  
afternoon**

**LKS2 NCC Flood Awareness  
Workshop – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup>  
Match**

**Connect – Thursday March  
9th**

**Rainbow Worship – Friday**

**Y6 Leavers' Jacket Order  
Deadline – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March**

All other clubs will continue as  
per advertised days and times

*Happy  
Friday  
everyone*



# PSA Mother's Day Gift

Parents/Carers,

It's that time of year where we would like to be able to offer the children an opportunity to bring home a gift for Mum / Grandma / Aunty. Please find attached the Mother's Day gift poster, all gifts must be purchased via ParentPay at £3 each, the deadline is 8<sup>th</sup> March, and the gift will then come home in school bags w/c 13<sup>th</sup> March.

As always all funds go directly to support school to buy items they do not have the budget for.

Please support if you can.

Regards, Lisa  
PSA Chair

## Year 6 Leavers' Jacket Order

A reminder for Year 6 parents to let us know the size required for their child's leavers jacket by next Friday (10<sup>th</sup> March) please. You will need to submit the Form using the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=qLaBKWf04ECI-QzSIQhu9ekfHch3r-sIKndD0E6-7z6FUOFc4QVVSVTBTSONWTkczUkdDVVNWOTFaWC4u>



Mothers Day is fast approaching and this term we would like to help celebrate that special woman in your child's life.

This terms fundraiser is for a scented gift for Mum/Grandam/Aunty, the cost of the gift is £3 and can be purchased on ParentPay, these must be paid for by 8th March (more than 1 can be purchased) and the gift will then come home in your child's school bag W/C 31th March.

The PSA work hard all year to raise funds to support the school to purchase items they do not have the funds in the budget for and appreciate everyone's support.

We really hope you can support this fundraiser by purchasing a Mothers Day gift!

Thanks as ever  
The PSA

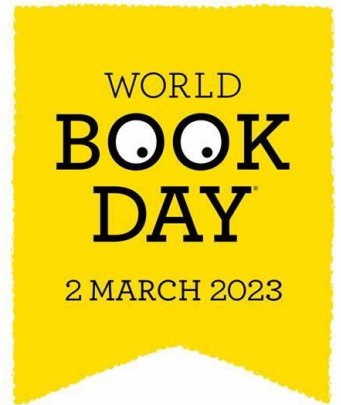


*'And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them utterance.' Acts 2:4*

# World Book Day Tokens

We hope your child enjoyed creating and/or viewing the potato book characters yesterday - we were very impressed by the entries, so a huge well done to our winners!

Yesterday, your child should have brought home their World Book Day Book token. This token has the value of £1 and can be exchanged for a World Book Day book for free, or all them £1 off a full price book or audiobook in participating shops.



Take a look at the World Book Day book options below:

A collection of 18 World Book Day book options displayed on a pink background with colorful stars. The books are arranged in two rows. The top row includes: 'WORLD BOOK DAY 2 MARCH 2023' (yellow banner), 'BILLY'S BRAVERY', 'JOE WICKS BEDTIME THE BURPEE BEARS', 'LIFESIZE CREEPY CRAWLIES', 'YOU CHOOSE YOUR ADVENTURE', 'SPIDERMAN THE AMAZING POCKET GUIDE', 'DAVE PIGEON', and 'DRAGON REALM ADVENTURE'. The bottom row includes: 'BRILLIANT BRAINS', 'SPRING WALKS', 'Lenny Henry THE BOY WITH WINGS', 'Book It!', 'BEING AN ALLY', 'STORMY', 'Rita', and 'Cyw'. Below the 'STORMY', 'Rita', and 'Cyw' books are yellow circular labels with the text 'Ireland only', 'Éire amháin', and 'Cymru yn unig' respectively. At the bottom of the banner, it says 'SPONSORED BY NATIONAL BOOK tokens' and 'Changing lives through a love of books and reading'. Below that, it says 'World Book Day® is a charity sponsored by National Book Tokens' and 'Allen Fatimaharan'.







# Calling our Instrumentalists

We have loved hearing some of our instrumentalists perform in our Rainbow Worship on a Friday morning this term - we are so proud of you all!

If your child is a budding instrumentalist and they would like to perform, we would love to hear them!

They can play a piece of music of their choice which they have been learning in their music lessons (either inside or outside of school) and can perform in a duet, if this would make them feel more confident.

Please email Mrs Swales ([r.swales@fsmp.org.uk](mailto:r.swales@fsmp.org.uk)) if your child would be interested in doing this and she will let you know when they will play.

We can't wait to hear more of our children's talents!



## Key dates this half term:

- British Sign Language Week – WC 13<sup>th</sup> March
- Year 6 visit to Sneinton Masque – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March
- Deadline for Red Nose Day Competition entries – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March
- Red Nose Day – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March – Non-Uniform (wear red)
- Y5 Residential to Boggle Hole – Monday 20<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March
- Connect – Thursday March 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Cake Sale and Non-Uniform Day – Water4theWorld Campaign – Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March – cake donations welcomed please
- Parent open Evening – Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar – Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March 6pm
- Upper KS2 (Year 5/6) Musical Showcase and Album Launch Parent open afternoon – time TBC – Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March
- Deadline for Water4theWorld Competition entries – Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March
- Spring Term Music Concert – Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March 6pm
- Lower KS2 (Year 3/4) Art Gallery and Sale Parent open afternoon – time TBC - Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March
- Easter Egg-stravaganza – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March
- Easter Church Service – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2pm
- Easter Holidays – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April to Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April

More information about all these events will follow



# ASC Holiday Clubs

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## **CONTACT INFO:**

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07581 198 835

## Reminders for the week

No BSL Club this Tuesday after school. Back to normal next week. Mrs Cargill.

Classes 9 and 10 will be having an additional PE lesson on Monday (Wednesday and Thursday will still be PE as well) so please can they come to school in their PE kit on this day. Miss Lewis and Mr Marshall

Year 5 are visiting the mosque on Tuesday next week (7<sup>th</sup> March) and Year 6 are visiting the following Tuesday (14<sup>th</sup> March). Please can all parents make sure they have paid the money required to cover coach costs via ParentPay.

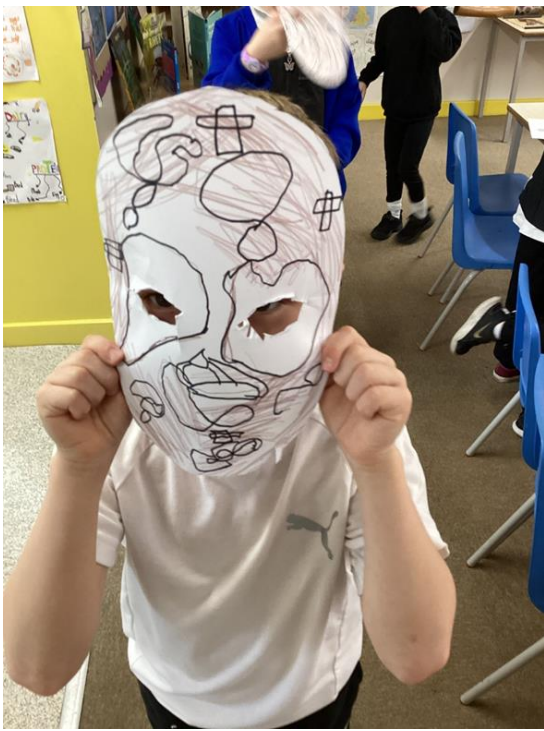
Please send in any old clothes, material, bags etc. for KS1 to refashion into an accessory for an explorer, as part of their Create topic! Many thanks.





# International Day – some photos of the activities the children took part in







# Water4theWorld Campaign



This term Year 3 and 4 have been looking at the big question 'What if water could talk?'

As part of this, they are leading on a whole school campaign to raise money for Water4theWorld, a campaign run by the Rosie May Foundation.

Zena from the Foundation came into a worship a few weeks ago to tell the whole school about the campaign and how they help people in Sri Lanka and Nepal to have access to clean water and sanitation.

There are some fundraising activities planned this half term to raise money for this great cause.

Firstly, **all children can enter the 'design a water bottle' competition**, which Zena chatted to the children about. The template is attached, and we will have some paper copies in the school office too. Entries will be judged by Zena in the last week of term and displayed in the hall, the winning design will get a certificate and be entered into a 'grand final' where the winner will have their design created into real water bottles to be sent to Nepal and Sri Lanka. Please could all designs be returned by Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March.

**On Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March we will be having a non-uniform day to raise money for Water4theWorld. Children can wear blue or other water themed colours and donations can be made (we suggest a donation of £1) on ParentPay.**

**After school on that day, Year 3 and 4 will be running a cake sale to raise more money for Water4theWorld. They would be grateful for donations of cakes (homemade or shop bought), nut free please.** More information will follow nearer the time.

**In addition to these whole school events, Year 3 and 4 will be holding an art gallery for their parents and families to purchase their artwork, with all proceeds going to Water4theWorld.**

As you can see, there are lots of exciting things happening! We thank you for your support in raising money for this worthwhile cause.

# School Council's Red Nose Day Plans



Red Nose Day 2023 is fast approaching, and the School Council recently met to discuss how we would mark this as a school to raise such important funds for charity. Non-school uniform is always so popular with the children, so School Council decided to hold a **non-school uniform day on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March**. If your child has something red to wear to mark the day that would be great, but any non-school uniform is fine.

Here is the link to make an optional donation to Comic Relief:

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=10238>

School Council decided that they wanted to do something a little more to try to raise money for this very worthy cause. They decided on a *design a red nose* competition. The design brief for the competition is '**nature and the natural world around us.**' **Competition sheets will be available to purchase for 50p via ParentPay.** When we receive your donation, your child's class School Council representative will make sure they receive a competition sheet. **The sheets will be available to purchase from Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March and the deadline for entries is Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March.** School Council will then judge them and announce the winner for each phase on Red Nose Day.

Thank you in advance for supporting this very worthy cause. If you have any questions, please do contact Mrs Wilkinson.

