

IMPORTANT DATES:

World Creative Writing Month 1st March – 31st 2021

World Book Day 4th March 2021

INSET day Friday 5th March 2021

British Science Engineering Week 6th – 15th March 2021
Comic Relief 19th March 2021

World Poetry Day 21st March 2021

Reading Matters Week 22nd to 26th March 2021

World Autism Awareness Day 2nd April 2021

IMPORTANT REMINDER:

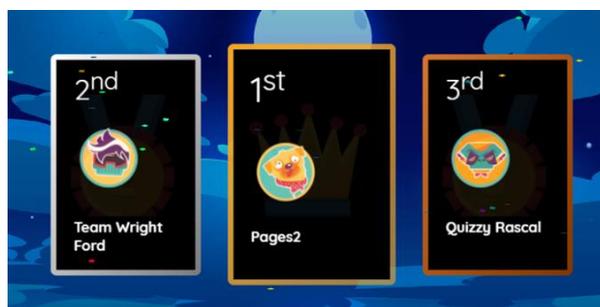
Please **wear face coverings while on our School grounds.**

INSET days for 2020/2021
School closed for all pupils
Friday 5th March 2021
Friday 18th June 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to the second half of the Spring Term (Term 4). I hope you have all had some time to recharge your batteries over the half term. Yesterday whilst walking around the school grounds with one of the Local Authority Tree Surgeons it was really lovely to see signs of spring; primroses and crocuses were out in full bloom. The sun was also shining and I do hope we see more of this in the coming months. Hopefully Mr Kinver will not longer need to predict snow!

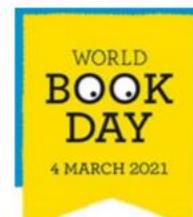
On the final evening of term our **first Virtual Quiz** took place on **Let's Localise**. Thank you to all those families who took part it was **certainly lots of fun**. Although occasionally I did hit the wrong answer button while trying to decide whether to double our score or not. The top three quizzers are ranked below. Well done to the **Page family** who topped the leader board. Prizes to follow.



Over the next few months we will be providing **more opportunities to take part in different virtual events while we continue to not be able to meet in large groups.**

The start of term began with the announcement that schools will be able to have **all children returning from the 8th March**. We are really looking forward to welcoming everyone back and I have sent an initial letter today to all those who are returning on the 8th March.

What an exciting term it is going to be for us all... We have **British Science and Engineering Week from the 8th March -12th March** and our **Reading Matters Weeks running from 22nd March-1st April**. We will also be completing our **History Learning Enquiry studies of the Ancient Egyptians and the Great Fire of London**. Our Reception children are moving onto their **Superheroes Enquiry**. Next week is also **World Book Day** and I have sent a separate letter regarding this which is attached to the newsletter email.



Last year children across the school took part in **two reading competitions** and we are running those again this year with Book prizes for the winners. If you have some free time over the weekend remember to take that **'Reading selfie'** or creatively create your **'Fruit or Vegetable Book Character'**. Please see the World Book Day letter for more information. I am really looking forward to seeing all your creative efforts next week.

Mrs Parfitt message continued

Thank you to all those who have posted photographs from **Mrs Franklin's Fab Feb challenges** on Class DoJo, to class emails and the school office. I do have to say there are some very impressive bakers who really need to consider taking part in the Great British Bake off in the future. You do have a few more days to complete activities if you would like to do so.

On Monday it is the **National offer day for all Year 6 children** where they find out about their **Secondary school place for next year**. We have sent a separate letter to all our Year 6 children which contains further information about this.

I hope that the sun shines brightly this weekend and we can all enjoy some time outdoors.

Take care and keep safe.

Claire Parfitt, Headteacher and Specialist Leader in Education.

Coronavirus advice from NHS England

If you or anyone in your household has any of the main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), **get a test as soon as possible**. You MUST ALL Stay at home until you get the result. Only leave your home to get a test. The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- **a high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

PLEASE VISIT <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19> for more information on the current COVID-19 procedures.