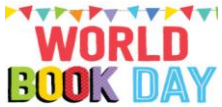
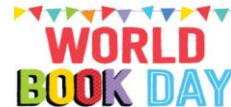




Academy Newsletter



World Book Day
Thursday 5th March 2020



On Thursday 5th March we will be marking World Book Day by dressing up as a book character. All parents/carers are welcome to support the children in the procession at 9:05am. There will be prizes for the best dressed from each class.

Coffee Morning – Following the World Book Day Parade

We would like to invite you to the Academy for a coffee morning on Thursday 5th March 2019, following the book day parade in the Assembly Hall. You do not need to stay for long, you can even bring your own refillable cup and we would be more than happy to speak to you whilst you fill your cup ready to commute.

We would be very appreciative of any cakes you are able to donate for the morning of this event; these can be shop brought or home baked. Please note we are a nut free Academy. We look forward to seeing you!



Academy Attendance:

EYFS – 100.0%
Year 1 – 94.97%
Year 2 – 97.78%
Year 3 – 92.65%
Year 4 – 94.25%
Year 5 – 99.49%
Year 6 – 95.59%

Overall Academy
Attendance –
96.36%

Our aim is 97%

Lent 2020

Please join us in supporting two local charities during Lent, The Jericho Road Project and St. Christopher's Hospice, by donating items such as:

Blankets, Sleeping Bags, Socks, Coats, Clothes (men's, women's and children's), Gloves, Scarves, Hats, Sanitary Products, Combs and Unopened Toiletries

Clothing and bedding items can be new or used (good, wearable condition). Toiletries need to be unopened.

There will be a collection box in the Academy foyer throughout Lent. For further information please see the attached letter.

Spring Bulb Judging – Friday 6th March

The judging for the Spring Bulb Competition will be on the Friday 6th March, so please check your bulb is growing well and bring it in on Friday morning. If it has already flowered, please bring in a photograph as that can be judged too.



Sport Relief

On Friday 13th March children can attend the Academy dressed as a sporting hero along with donating £1 towards this great cause.



Coronavirus

The Academy is taking the outbreak of Coronavirus (COVID-19) very seriously and has taken a range of preventative measures. We are strictly following the advice from Public Health England, the Department for Education and NHS 111 as our children's safety and well being is essential. We are continually seeking updates and will act on advice given.

Pupils are being made aware of good hygiene practices in their classrooms. Please also talk to your children at home about the importance of this.

Please refer to the information sent in the email on Wednesday.

Spelling Bee – Thursday 27th February 2020

Thank you to all parents/carers for preparing the children so well for the Spelling Bee. The children's spelling knowledge has improved considerably. The competition was fierce and the atmosphere electric. Well done to all those that took part and congratulations to Isobel, Year 6, who was the overall winner! Make sure you keep practising your spellings to prepare for next year's competition.



Holy Communion 2020

If your child will be taking their First Holy Communion this year, outside of Our Lady of the Crays, please inform the Academy Office of the date and location so a member of school staff can attend.



KS2 SAT's Week – 11th May

The Year 6 pupils will be undertaking their Key Stage 2 SAT's tests during the week beginning 11th May 2020. Please ensure your children do not take any time off during this period.

Further information will be provided.



Gymnastics Clubs

Please note Gymnastics will have a one off session on **Thursday 12th March** (Thursday 5th March has been cancelled to accommodate World Book Day) to make up for the loss of Friday 28th February's session. The remainder of the club will resume as normal on Friday 6th March 2020.



Diary Dates

Please note the lists of dates below are subject to change and we encourage you to look each week for any changes.
Amendments are in **Green** and Cancellations are in **Red**.

Spring Term 2020

3 rd March 2020	Year 4 Tate Britain School Trip
3 rd March 2020	Year 2 SAT's Meeting at 3:30pm in the Classroom
4 th March 2020	WE Day
5 th March 2020	Book Day Parade (Dress as a book character)
5 th March 2020	Coffee Morning for Parents (Following the parade)
9 th March 2020	Start of British Science Week
12 th March 2020	Year 3 Church Visit
12 th March 2020	Year 4 School Trip – Port Lympne Zoo
13 th March 2020	PTA Tuck Shop
13 th March 2020	Sports Relief – Dress as a sporting hero
17 th March 2020	Year 2 School Trip – More information to follow
18 th March 2020	Year 5 Liturgy – All Parents/Carers Welcome
19 th March 2020	Year 3 Assembly – All Parents/Carers Welcome
19 th March 2020	Year 6 School Trip - Science Museum (More information to follow)
25 th March 2020	Year 2 Liturgy – All Parents/Carers Welcome
26 th March 2020	EYFS Assembly – All Parents/Carers Welcome
27 th March 2020	PTA Tuck Shop
1 st April 2020	KS2 Easter Passion at 9:40am – More information to follow
2 nd April 2020	KS1 Easter Bunny Run and Eggshibition – More information to follow
3 rd April 2020	Mass led by Year 1 at 11am – All Parents/Carers Welcome
3 rd April 2020	PTA Tuck Shop
3 rd April 2020	Stars – Stars will close at 4:30pm (There will be no tea session)
3 rd April 2020	Last Day of Term