

WANSDYKE SCHOOL

WORKING TOGETHER, PLAYING TOGETHER, LEARNING TO BE THE BEST WE CAN



Wansdyke School Newsletter

February 2020

Dates for the diary...

Friday 13th March

Year 4 Roman Bath Trip

Friday 20th March (for Easter Egg) Non-Uniform Day

Thursday 26th March

Year 2 Steam Trip

Saturday 28th March

Easter Bingo

Monday 30th March

Year 1-6 Parents Evening

Tuesday 31st March

EYFS-Y6 Parents Evening

Wednesday 1st April

EYFS Parents Evening

Head of School's Message

Whilst the weather during February has been damp and gloomy, at Wansdyke, the children continue to shine whatever the weather. Our children have begun new inspiring topics including Brunel, the Romans, the Egyptians and looking at evolution and climate change.

We have also seen the completion of the CNRB extension with Rainbow enjoying their new classroom space. This will allow us to increase the number of children who can attend Wansdyke with complex needs. We are also looking forward to welcome our 2 new teachers into the Resource Base after Easter, whilst equally sorry to see Mr Corbett leave.

For World Book Day this year, the children enjoyed bringing along their props and clues, as well as welcoming parents into the rooms to share stories and discuss their most treasured books. A huge thank you to Mrs Bonser for arranging the World Book day events. We had great feedback from parents who attended our early morning reading sessions and the children loved having stories shared by different teachers in the school.

I would also like to thank Devizes Book Shop for kindly bringing along their World Book Day books for the children to get at the end of the day.

Reading really is at the centre of our curriculum here at Wansdyke, with each class studying a book each term linked with the subjects within the topic. Please look out for the parent questionnaire around the curriculum - it would be great to get as much feedback as possible on this.

Warmest regards, Sam Heard



Fun at World Book Day

Staffing

We are pleased to announce that our new office staff are Mrs Kerrin Gee and Mrs Ruth Watson. They will both be working in a part-time capacity in the office. We look forward to welcoming them both into the Wansdyke team and wish them the best of luck.

Mr Heard is currently reading *Cogheart* by Peter Bunzl.

This story has an explosive start. I am only a few chapters in and I am already hooked!



Wansdyke School is also now on Twitter - please encourage followers as we want everyone to know the brilliant things that happen at Wansdyke!

WansdykeSchoolDevizes @Wansdykedevizes



Year 4 Outdoor Learning sessions linked to their Roman topic in history.



As part of our drive to update some of the classrooms in the school, EYFS has been redecorated and we have purchased new furniture for the room.

Good learning book

Owen Hodges, Amy Smith, Emily Warren, Noah Hale, Thomas Southall, Olivia Sharples, Max Patton, Grace McKenna, Josh Campbell, Oscar Dommett, Emily Martin, Liliana Olszowska, Matilda Taylor, Lucy Trowbridge, Lena Lisowicz, Drey Taccuso, Sage Orwin, Oliver Broadbridge, Willow Robertson, Aubrey Robertson, Millie Burns, Evie Gillespie, Sylvie Arding, Isabell Stalham, Taylan Elliot, Ella Merritt, Alayna Keane, Connie O'Hare, Elizabeth Pougher, Jack Earley, Isabella Stalham, Joshua Campbell, Holly Gale, Alby Couch, Riley Hercombe-Venghaus, George Wynne, Paige Vernon, May Martin, Benji Pougher, Zuzanna Olszowska and Aubrey Robertson.

Well done to all whose work and effort has been recognised!

FOWS

Our thanks to FOWS for organising the recent events. We had a huge number of children attend the school disco and movie night. We had some incredible hair style designs as part of our Bag for Schools clothing collection.

FOWS have recently purchased an electric drum kit for the school to use as part of music lessons, music therapy and peripatetic sessions.

Look out for future FOWS events including Easter Bingo.

Staff Development

Congratulations to Miss K who has successfully completed her course on Trauma informed practice: Thrive. Mrs Marshall is also taking part in some action research around Maths Mastery within the EYFS setting.

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