



St Mary's Catholic First School Newsletter

Friday 28th February



The children have made the most of the sun this week with playtimes on the field and some outdoor learning taking place. We are really looking forward to seeing the words/book characters chosen for World Book day on Thursday (6th March) and have some book related activities planned. Please remember to ask staff for ideas if you are unsure of which word or character to use. We hope you have a wonderful weekend in the sunshine with your families.



This week Anning class has been observing the growth of the bulbs we planted in the autumn. We measured both plants and we noticed the daffodil has grown extremely tall! We have also been researching existing smoothie flavours in DT. We enjoyed tasting three different smoothies to help us choose the right ingredients for our own smoothie design.

At St Mary's we are pilgrims of hope! During this Jubilee Year, pupils will be making a pledge to be agents of change, working together for justice, love and peace at school and further afield. The GIFT Team have led liturgies across Key Stages 1 and 2 celebrating the Jubilee Journey and have given all pupils a prayer card. We will keep you posted concerning the activities we will do to achieve our pledge.



Today we say goodbye

Mrs O'Connor

Thanks for all your hard work

Good luck on your new journey



Children reading their own way: capture this on film and share with us!

The theme for this year's World Book Day is "Read your way". As part of our school book celebration it would be great if you could try and capture your child reading their chosen way over the next week or over the weekend. We would love to see a photo of where/how your child chooses to read so that we can compile a display in the hall and library. Please send your photo to the school office by Monday 10th March.

We are looking forward to celebrating [World Book Day](#) on **Thursday 6th March**.

Your child will have a day full of book related activities which I am sure they will enjoy.

As part of the day, we encourage your child to come into school dressed up as either a **book character** or as a **word**. If your child chooses the latter, it simply means that their costume represents the word that they have chosen.

They can attach the word on the costume. For example, if the word is "scientist" they dress up as a Scientist, if it is "star" they wear a star on their top. We are very keen that parents do not feel the need to buy anything new for this day. Hopefully the word option means that all children will have a readymade costume that is easy to prepare. Here are a few elaborate and less elaborate examples of dressing as a word:



Bird



Caterpillar



Red



Banana

Please ask your class teacher if you need more ideas.

Upcoming events

Year Group	Event	Date
Whole school/preschool	World Book day –Children to dress as a book character or a word from a book.	Thursday 6 th March
Iceni	Wessex Singing school Festival/ Thomas Hardy School	Tuesday 18 th March 9am-1pm 6pm-evening performance
Iceni	Bikeability	Tuesday 11 th March
Whole School/preschool	SCARF Visit/ payments via parent pay	Tuesday 18 th March
Whole School/preschool	SCARF Visit/ payments via parent pay	Wednesday 19 th March
Whole School	PTFA -Bingo	Friday 21 st March 5.30pm
Anning	Wagamama trip 9.15-11-(No Cost)	Tuesday 25 th March
Whole School	Break up for Easter	Friday 4 th April
Whole School	Return to School	Tuesday 22 nd April
Iceni	Springhead residential	Wednesday 30 th April- Friday 2 nd May.

Have a good weekend. *P.Fearn*

