

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fabulous week the children have had! They have thoroughly enjoyed celebrating World Book Day. The children shared their costumes with their friends, shared books with the children from another class in the school and had fun with the characters from the book 'The Day the Crayon's Came Home' that we focussed our learning around for the day.



We have a lot of extra notices for you this week. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Relationships Education learning: Photo Request

Penguins and Arctic Foxes will begin their Relationships Education and Health Education learning in PSHE week beginning 18th March. Polar Bears will begin the week beginning 25th March. Please see the [letter](#) sent earlier in the term, regarding this learning. As part of this learning, the children will be looking at how they have changed since they were a baby. **If you are happy to, please email or send in a copy of a photo of your child as a baby under 1 year old, to support your child's learning in class.** We can print photos emailed to us. **Please don't send in any precious original photos as these may get damaged or lost!** Photos should be emailed to your child's class teacher by Monday 18th March (Penguins and Arctic Foxes) or Monday 25th March (Polar Bears) to enable us time to print them. Email addresses are at the end of this letter.

School trip to Paxton Pits: 19th or 26th March

With a change in our arrangements for our trip, please make sure you have read the new [letter](#) emailed to you. The children will be attending on different dates: Penguin's class parents and carers have been emailed separately on which date this will be. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you have any questions. **We will need some lovely helpers for our trip so do indicate on the [Form](#) if you can help.** ***All parents need to complete the [Form](#) to indicate consent and lunch choice.** Thank you.*

Church Visit: Monday 25th March

St John's Church have invited the Year 2 children to an Easter event on Monday 25th March. The children will be learning why and how Christians celebrate Easter. Each class will be going at a separate time. **We need some kind helpers for walking to and from the church.** If you can help your child's class, please email the class teacher (email addresses at the bottom of this letter). Thank you.

Arctic Foxes: Leaving school 9:20am, back by 11:15am

Polar Bears: Leaving school 10:20am, back by 12pm

Penguins: Leaving school 1pm, back by 3pm.

We will not be going to the forest for Welly Wednesday on 13th March 2024. Please send your child to school in school uniform.

Reading at home

Collins Ebook Access

Your child brought home a printed letter with details of their log in details for Collins eBooks last term. Children will be assigned books which are closely matched to their phonics knowledge and current reading ability. **If you have any problems with accessing the account, please ask your child's teacher.**

Reading for pleasure

Please continue to read with and to your child at home, enjoying reading books together. Library books come home weekly and they are ideal for this activity.

Phonics reading books will go home Friday and need to be back in class on Monday.

Library books go home Tuesday or Wednesday and need to be back in class on Monday.

We cannot re-issue a book to your child until they have returned their previous book.



Home learning	
Reading books	Allow your child time to read their phonics book to you. Share your child's library book with them as you read for pleasure.
Mathletics	Please access tasks on Mathletics that link to previous class learning (you can find this on previous Y2 newsletters). We have sent home log in details but if you need these sent again please ask and we can get these for you.
Spellings	Practise spelling these words with your child. These have been our focus spellings in class this week: <b style="text-align: center;">half, hold, hour, improve Spell the words on their own and if you can manage this, spell them correctly in a sentence. Other ideas for practising spellings can be found in the Year 2 Useful Resources section on the school website.

We would like to share our learning for the week. You may find it useful to discuss or practise the learning:

Our **focus vocabulary** for the week will be: **stalk (to follow), lurk, pounce, wander, majestic, polish, slither**

These words are all taken from our class text and guided reading book: **The Last Wolf, by Mini Grey.**

Discuss these words with your child. How can they use them appropriately in a sentence and define their meaning?

English	In English next week we will continue our learning on non-chronological reports . The children will use the research they conducted about minibeasts this week to help them write their sentences about minibeasts next week. The children will organise their work into paragraphs with subheadings. The focus will be on using conjunctions (joining words: but, because, so, if, when etc.) to join two ideas together, as well as ensuring punctuation is accurate.
Maths	In Maths next week we will be moving onto measurement where we will focus on centimetres (cm) and metres (m). We will learn that 100cm = 1 metre and that the two measurements are both useful for measuring. We will look at both height and length where we will measure accurately, compare and order. Later in the week we will answer length and height problems using the four operations (+, - x and ÷).

Please contact us if you have any queries.

Year 2 Weekly Learning Sharing – Week Beginning 11th March 2024

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