

10th March 2023

Dear Parents,

World Book Day

One of the highlights of the school year is World Book Day but it can be a challenge to make it a true learning experience for the children and not just an opportunity to dress up. This year Mrs Pontet, Mrs Hosking and Mrs Lewis, who coordinated the day, excelled themselves. They created slightly different concepts for the two schools with Infants still coming in as book characters but bringing in story boxes and the Juniors coming into school wearing an outfit which represented an exciting word to help broaden the children's vocabulary.

As you can see from the photographs following, the learning opportunities generated were astonishing. From our youngest pupils telling their friends their stories to our oldest, outdoing each other with increasingly challenging vocabulary, it was a truly dynamic day. It was wonderful to see the older children come back to the Infant School to read with the little ones and, in some cases, their brothers and sisters. Thank you to everyone involved - we know it requires help from home to truly bring all these days to life so thank you for your support as well.

Kew Gardens

On Tuesday this week our Year 5 and 6 pupils enjoyed a great day out to Kew Gardens. This linked to their geography topic of Rainforests although, leaving Wargrave, it felt more like the Antarctic! It didn't stop the children having a great time and learning about some of the amazing ecosystems and plant adaptations of this habitat.



Sport

Despite the bitterly cold weather, some of our sporting fixtures went ahead this week with hockey on Thursday and football Thursday and Friday.

At the time of writing, Friday's football results are still unknown however, the girls hockey was a huge success with our team playing for the first time in Wokingham School Games and coming a very commendable 3rd in their pool. The girls had never played before yet were commended by the umpire for their wonderful teamwork.

The Year 5/6 boys football team played on Thursday too and succeeded in progressing to the next round which is the County Cup quarter finals!

What wonderful results. Congratulations to everyone involved.

Parent Consultations

Straight after this Newsletter is issued today, a further e mail will be sent outlining the booking process for Parent Consultations. These will be on Tuesday 28th March and Thursday 30th March and face to face as they were in October. As always, books are set out in classrooms for you to look at beforehand and the teachers will be in the school halls. Although only short meetings, these are a great way to have an update on your child's progress and what targets they are working towards.

Thank You

You will have seen an e mail at the beginning of the week thanking you all for your support in funding 30 laptops for the Junior School.



Many parents support the schools with individual acts of kindness too and I would like to, slightly belatedly, thank one such parent in today's newsletter. Mrs Trimble decided that the staffroom cupboards needed a spring clean, and the 1970s cutlery and crockery needed bringing into the 21st century so she bought supplies for both staff rooms and gave up her free time to clear out cupboards and drawers to create a tidier, more organised kitchen areas. This is something we just wouldn't have spent money on nor had time to



Class Collective Worship

One of the fundamental aspects of being a Church School is the value we place on worshipping collectively, as a community, whether that is in classes, whole schools or alongside our parents. These Class Collective Worship, where we invite parents to join us in school to worship, are scheduled across the year and organised by each class.

Last week Hawthorn welcomed parents to the Junior School and this week Owls engaged their parents in Collective Worship. They tend to interlink with our Celebration Assemblies where we congratulate children on Growth Mindset, awards from outside of school and celebrate birthdays.



The Collective Worship is usually connected to the value we are reflecting on that term - this term it is Forgiveness - and how we have learnt to apply the Christian teaching on these values to our everyday lives.

I find that I come away from our Collective Worship, not only having thoroughly enjoyed the children's input and message but with my own reflections on how the application of the Christian values our children are learning about are a work in progress for all of us, for all of our lives. A humbling but invaluable lesson!

Yours sincerely,

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EXECUTIVE HEADTEACHER



Infant School

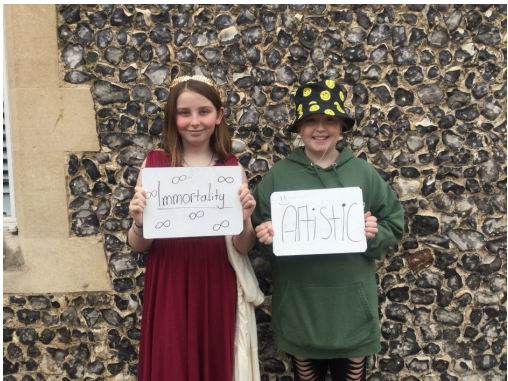
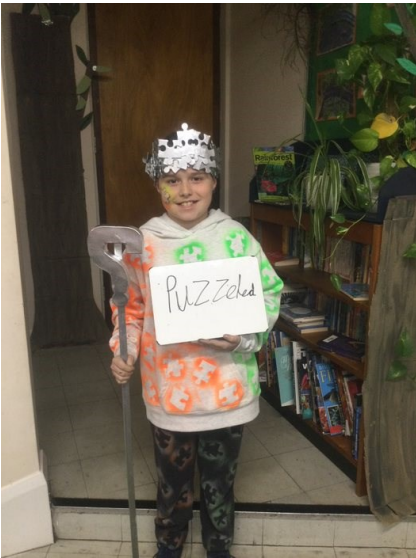
95.1%

Junior School

95.2%

As previously stated our attendance expectation is 96%. The attendance for both schools is below this and we would like to remind you that attendance is monitored in school. Should your child drop below 90% you will be notified by the School leadership team.

WORLD
BOOK DAY
2 MARCH 2023





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ROBERT PIGGOTT CE FEDERATION LUNCHTIME CONTROLLER Part time Permanent Position £11.18 per hour - £21,575 per annum (FTE)

We are looking to appoint a Lunchtime Controller to work with our friendly, dedicated lunchtime team across the federation. We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The post is to start as soon as possible and is for 1 hour 15 mins per day, five days per week Monday to Friday, term time only. Robert Piggott is an exciting place to be with well-behaved children. If you are motivated to help make lunchtimes safe and happy for our children, both inside and on the playground, we would love to hear from you.

Application forms can be found on our website:

<http://www.robertpiggott.wokingham.sch.uk/staffvacancies/>



Street Dance Classes



WEDNESDAY'S

Robert Piggott Infant School

5:00-6:00pm - ages 4-8

6:00-7:00pm - ages 9-12

£22 per month

<https://avenuedancecompany.class4kids.co.uk>

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BEST YOUNG BAKERS
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**APPLICATIONS CLOSE
SUNDAY 12th MARCH 2023**

Enquiries:
applyforjuniorbakeoff@loveproductions.co.uk



ART CLUB



Fundraising event for Robert Piggott Primary

St Patrick's Day Party! Time to Ceilí!



Dance and drink the night away with
top Ceilí band Fiddle Paradiddle!

SATURDAY 11TH MARCH

Woodclyffe Hall, Wargrave

Welcome drink 7:30pm, Carriages 11pm

Tickets: £20

robertpiggottpta@gmail.com

BUY TICKETS ONLINE

<https://eventcreate.com/e/stpatricksparty>



Dress code: a splash of green
Competition: best dancing leprechaun
Bar – Card payment only





THE GREAT OUTDOORS

HOLIDAY CAMP



VISIT WWW.GETACTIVESPORTS.COM AND REGISTER YOURSELF AND YOUR CHILD. IF YOU'RE NEW TO GET ACTIVE. SIGN IN WITH THE USUAL LOGINS IF YOU HAVE USED US BEFORE. SELECT YOUR NEAREST VENUE AND VIEW LIVE AVAILABILITY SELECT THE DAYS AND SESSIONS YOU REQUIRE

WOKINGHAM

3RD- 14TH APRIL | 8AM-6PM £31.45 /8:30AM - 3:30PM £28.45 / 9:30AM - 3:30PM £26.95

- SHINFIELD ST MARYS - RG2 9EJ
- RADSTOCK - RG6 5UZ
- WILLOWBANK - RG5 4RW
- WOODLEY COFE - RG5 4UX
- GRAZELEY - RG7 1JY
- HILLSIDE - RG6 4HQ
- ROBERT PIGGOTT JUNIORS - RG10 8DY



- MINI BEAST HUNT - NEST MAKING - NATURE WALK - BIRD FEEDERS - BINOCULARS CRAFT - PAPER PLATE LADYBUGS - SCAVENGER HUNT - INSECT SLIME - DEN BUILDING - WATER WALKING RAINBOW - HOW CLOUDS MAKE RAIN - SPORTS - AND LOTS MORE

(HEAD OVER TO OUR WEBSITE TO CHECK OUT THE TIMETABLE)

EARLY BIRD CODE "APR23"

EXP - 20/3/2023

**SIBLING, EARLY BIRD AND MILITARY/
NHS SAVINGS AVAILABLE**

