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SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

If you wish your child/children to have their school photograph taken, please register your request as follows.

Dandelion.gotphoto.co.uk and enter access code GIL1303.

WORLD BOOK DAY



World Book Day will be celebrated in school on Thursday 7th March. This annual celebration of authors, illustrators, books, and the joy of reading is one of the highlights of our year. All pupils are encouraged to come into school dressed as their favourite nursery rhyme or book character on the

Mr Martin will be running a competition entitled 'Fun Places to Read a Book.' If you wish to take part, please dojo your child photograph to your child's teacher.

TUCK SHOP

A big thank you to all parents who supported our tuck shop held on Friday 9^{th} February. A profit of £ 87.50 was made on the day.

EASTER GARDEN COMPETITION



All pupils are encouraged to enter our Easter Garden competition this year. Why not use an old biscuit tin, pot, tray, or container and fill with soil, sand or pebbles and create your own unique Easter Garden? When complete bring into school and display it in our front entrance hall. Judging will take place on Friday 15th March. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes will be awarded and all pupils participating will get a small prize.

EASTER HUNT

We plan to have an Easter Hunt for all pupils on Wednesday 27th March and are hoping the Easter Bunny remembers us all this year.

PUPIL OF THE MONTH - FRIENDSHIP AWARD

P1 - Cameron Coates

P2 - Ellie Lemon

P3 - Leja Gurktyle

P4 - Christopher Green

P5 - Adam Nicholl

P6 - Grace Cobley

P7 - Christina Doake

WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY

We will be celebrating World Down Syndrome Day on Tuesday 21st

March. The theme for the day this year is "End the Stereotypes." We are encouraging all pupils on the 21^{st of} March to wear socks that will get people talking. They might be mismatched socks or your craziest and most colourful socks, whatever

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WORLD MATHS DAY

We will be celebrating The International Day of Mathematics which takes place this year on Thursday 14^{th} March. All pupils will be involved in outdoor numeracy activities on the day. Mathletics certificates will also be awarded on the day.

MATHLETICS

Please continue to encourage your child to complete all activities set on Mathletics by your child's class teacher. This is an excellent opportunity for your child to revise numeracy topics covered in class. Please let us know if you have any problems accessing this site and we can organise your child time within the school day to complete set activities.

SUSTRAINS BIG WALK AND WHEEL

We have registered to take part again this year in the 15^{th} year celebration of the UK's biggest inter-school walking, wheeling, scooting, and cycling to school competition. What is Sustrains Big walk and wheel?

It inspires pupils to make active journeys to school, to improve air quality in their neighbourhood and discover how these benefits change their world. Last year we came first place in the small schools' section and with your help we hope to repeat our success again this year. Our back gate will be open for this week. Any parent who

wishes to drop their children off at the Play Park and walk with their children to school we would be really appreciative of your support. Thank you so much in advance of your support.

WORLD POETRY DAY

We will be celebrating World Poetry Day on Thursday 21^{st} March. Your child will receive a poem from their class teacher on Monday 4^{th} March. We will be learning this poem in class but would really appreciate you supporting your learning this poem at home.

OUTDOOR LEARNING CLUB

Mrs McAdam will be running an Outdoor Learning Club on the dates listed below:

Wednesday 10th, 17th, 24th of April & 1st May.

Club will finish each week at 3.30pm. Please message Mrs McAdam if you wish your child to attend.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- P1 School Nurse appraisals Wednesday 6th March
- Library Van visit Wednesday 6th March
- Arise Fitness Monday 11th, 25th P4/5 2.45pm-3.30pm
- School Photographs Wednesday 13th March
- St Patricks Day School closed Monday 18th March
- Cash for Clobber Tuesday 26th March
- Easter Holidays School closes for all pupils @ 2pm on Wednesday 27th
 March and reopen Monday 8th April @ 8.55am

