



Dear Parents, it is the annual World Book Day on Thursday and we are looking forward to sharing photographs of the children (and school staff!) dressed up as characters from their favourite books in next week's newsletter. It is always one of the highlights of our school calendar but dressing up is entirely optional.

Have a lovely weekend, lets hope this rain gives us a bit of a break!

Kind regards, Sarah Vass, Headteacher

Week starting Monday 4th March :

Spring Menu Week 1 -

[See amended menu attached for next week only](#)



World Book Day - Thursday 2nd March!

We would like the children to dress up as their favourite book character this Thursday. This could be from ANY book that they have read, **but not just film characters please.**

Please talk to your child about what ideas they have for dressing up as they will need to be able to talk about their book character. Costumes do not need to be bought especially or to be elaborate. This is a link to help with ideas.

<https://www.worldbookday.com/dressing-up-ideas/>

We know that some children do not like to wear non-uniform, we support their individual choices. It is entirely optional.

If you need any further help please ask your class teacher.



Would you like to help in our school garden?

A reminder that Monday 4th March is the next Gardening Drop-in Session, 3.20pm to 4.20pm. Parents and adults are welcome to attend with their children to help Mrs Priest prepare the school gardens for Springtime. See attached for more information.

Miss Davis in training for The London Marathon!

In April, our Y4 teacher Miss Davis will be running the London marathon for St Clare Hospice in memory of her Mum.

She has been training for the last 4 months and is really looking forward to the challenge!

As she has a charity place, she has pledged to raise £2,500. If you're able to, please click the link below and help her reach that target.

Miss Davis really appreciates any change that you could donate to help her achieve this goal.

[Miss Davis London Marathon Sponsorship Link - Click Here](#)



Diary Dates:

5th March - Y5 Mayan Day

6th March - Y6 Outdoor Learning

7th March - World Book Day

13th March - Y3 Outdoor Learning

14th March - YR Outdoor Learning

26th March - Y4 Production of 'Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies' (to the rest of the school am, then evening to Parents @ 6pm)

27th March - Y3 Showcase to Parents (pm, time TBC)

28th March - Last day of the Spring term

29th March to 12th April - Easter Holidays

15th April - Start of the Spring term

(Please check the Newsletter each week for diary updates)

CSSE 11+ 2025 Entry for Current Y5 Children

Registration for the 11+ exam will be from 14th May to 28th June 2024 inclusive.

CSSE schools intend to hold open days/evenings during June/July 2024.

Registration will commence from 14th May 2024.

Closing date for registration is 28th June 2024.

The tests will take place on Saturday 21st September 2024.

All dates and arrangements are correct at the time of publication.

Free ACL courses for parents (parental support and family learning)

ACL Family Learning (funded by Essex County Council) have a number of online courses running in March and April which may be of benefit to parents/Carers/Grandparents. These sessions are run individually so families can sign up to as many, or as few, as they like. Sessions include;

- Go To Sleep!
- Setting Boundaries
- Raising Girls
- First Aid Workshop
- Managing Big Emotions
- Getting Teens To Talk
- Mindfulness & relaxation
- Anxiety Coping Techniques for Teens

See attached for more information on how to book one or more of the above.

