



Newsletter No: 22

6th March 2020



Weekly Merit Certificates

Butterflies: Max Fireflies: Tyler & Henry
Dragonflies: Ollie & Jake Ladybirds: Jacob & Ruby



Weekly Attendance Award: Dragonflies 99.31%

Dear Families,

Yesterday we celebrated World Book Day. It was great seeing all the fantastic entries for our star home learning competition. The ability to read well has an impact on the children's learning in all areas of the curriculum. We work hard to develop the children's fluency and comprehension through a range of opportunities such as buddy reading, book talk (teacher reading a class text and children answering questions), guided reading and comprehension tasks.

Children make most progress if they develop a love of reading. There are lots of things that you can do at home to help promote this such as:

- Offer a range of reading opportunities e.g. magazines, newspapers, instruction leaflets for games, following recipes, e-books etc.
- Reading stories you loved as a child. If you have a passion for reading your child will too.
- Whenever you are out and about read signs together.
- Make up stories of your own!
- Listen to stories and discuss them – even Alexa will tell you stories now!
- Don't keep reading a book you don't enjoy! If you really don't like it – find something else.
- Do you read yourself? If your child sees you love reading then they are likely to aswell!

All your children will have received their World Book Day token. Why not take the opportunity to visit a book shop together to help ignite an enthusiasm for reading.

Miss Hayes and Mrs Arrowsmith
Heads of School

Next Week ...

Pupil Progress Meeting **Orange Week**

Tues ~ RSE Parent Workshop

Wed ~ Sonrisa KS2 Music Event

Board of Superhero Learners

This week the following children's work has been displayed on the Board of Superhero Learners:

Laike, Oscar L, Max M, Imogen, Sophia W, Harvey & Brandan. Well done.



Congratulations

Celebration Board

Congratulations to;

Harriet, Sebastian and Jenson who all played in the Pelican's under 10 Team Norfolk County Hockey Finals.

Amber- Lily who has achieved the Eagles Gymnastics Proficiency Level 7 Award

Well Done Harriet, Sebastian, Jenson and Amber - Lily.

Upcoming Deadlines

Please remember the deadline to apply for a space to run the Mini Gear in aid of St Germans Academy is Friday 13th March.

The deadline for the Norse Short Story Competition for World Book Day is Monday 16th March.

If you would like information for either of these events, please see the school office for a new letter.

Sonrisa KS2 Music Event

Through our Music Hub subscription we have been provided with the opportunity to host a free concert (led by Sonrisa) on Wednesday at St Germans for all our KS2 children from St Germans, Magdalen and Wimbotsham.

They will discover infectious rhythms from the Latin world that will make them want to smile and move their body, explore the upbeat music of this genre in this colourful and lively interactive concert. Using traditional and original songs Sonrisa will demonstrate how the instruments are used and appreciate the range of different rhythms found in Son, Salsa, Samba and Rumba.

There will be a strong emphasis on audience interaction as the band will invite the children to add percussion and vocal elements to the show in a fun and appealing way and even incorporate some dance moves.

Sonrisa have five outstanding professional musicians who will showcase a range of instruments; vocals, Flamenco nylon guitar, trumpet, flute, bass guitar and percussion (congas, bongos, cajon, shakers, cabasa, tan tan).



End of Term Assembly

Our end of term Celebration Assembly is on Monday 30th March starting at 9.15am in the school hall. All friends & family Welcome.

RSHE Information Evening for Parents

Please remember we are holding a RSHE (Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education and Health Education) Information Evening for Parents on Tuesday 10th March at 6pm.

Friends of the School Film Night

Thank you to everyone who came or parents who helped at our Film night. We raised **£90.00** for Friends of the School funds.



Ladybirds Holt Hall Residential

Please continue making payments to the office for this trip, remembering to send in your payment cards for updating the balance. We ask that you have paid £100.00 before we break up for the Easter Holidays and the remainder is paid before we go to Holt Hall. If you have any worries or issues with this, please speak to the school office.

Thank you.



Holt Hall

Dragonflies Treat Tuck Shop

The Dragonflies Class are holding a treat tuck shop on Wednesday 18th March to raise funds for interval refreshments for their upcoming trip to Peterborough Theatre to see Billionaire Boy. Children will be able to buy treats in the afternoon and anything remaining will be sold on the front playground at the end of the school day.



World Book Day

Thank you to all the parents who joined us for our World Book Day event on Thursday afternoon.

The 'dress your potato' competition winners were Brody for EYFS/KS1 and Miah for KS2. Congratulations to you both and well done to all the children who took part. It was very difficult choosing just 1 winner from each key stage.

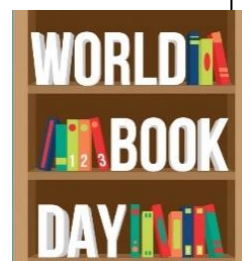
Thank you to everyone who donated books for our bring and buy book sale and who made delicious cakes for the refreshment stall.

We raised £95.40

towards new books

and equipment for the

library and reading pod.



SAT Booster Sessions at St Germans



Year 6 SATs sessions have started.

YEAR 6 - SATS BOOSTER SESSIONS 3:15-4:30pm on

Wednesdays, 11/03/20, 18/03/20,

25/03/20, 01/04/20, 22/04/20,

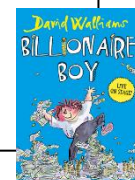
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Miss Burrell if you have problems

attending these dates. Thank you

Dragonflies Billionaire Boy Trip

Please remember to hand in your permission slip, and payment to the school office for the Billionaire Boy trip if you haven't already. The refreshments choice slip needs to be in by Monday 9th March.



Diary Dates:

SATs Booster Sessions for Year 6 on Wednesdays starting 26th February

Dates
for your

DIARY

March

- Tues 10th ~ RHSE Parent Information Meeting
- Wed 11th ~ Sonrisa Music Live 2020 Event for KS2 children at St Germans
- Tues 17th ~ Dance Festival at King's Lynn Corn Exchange
- Wed 18th ~ Dragonflies Treat Tuck Shop
- Fri 20th ~ Dragonflies Trip ~ Billionaire Boy
- Mon 23rd to Fri 27th ~ Mother's Day Lunch Week
- Mon 23rd ~ Friends of the School Easter Disco
- Tues 24th ~ First Aid Training for children
- Mon 30th ~ End of Term Assembly

April

- Wed 1st ~ Tri - Golf Festival for Selected Children in Years 1, 2, 3 & 4
- Wed 1st ~ Break up for Easter
- Mon 20th ~ Return to School
- Wed 22nd ~ Friends of the School Meeting
- Thurs 23rd ~ Class Photographs including Preschool and Year 6 Leavers
- Fri 24th ~ School Nurse to see Reception Children ~ Height, Weight, Vision and Hearing Check.
- Mon 27th ~ Crucial Crew Event for Year 6 children

May

- Fri 1st ~ Omnes New Age Kurling for Selected Children
- Sun 3rd ~ Mini Gear Run
- Mon 4th ~ Friends of the School Film Night
- Fri 8th ~ May Day Bank Holiday – SCHOOL CLOSED
- Mon 11th – Fri 15th ~ Year 6 SATs Week
- Wed 20th ~ Year 6 London Leavers Trip
- Fri 22nd ~ Break up for half term.

June

Key Stage 2 Booster swimming this half term on Wednesdays

- Mon 1st ~ Return to School
- Wed 3rd to Fri 5th ~ Ladybirds Residential Trip
- Fri 5th ~ Omnes Ultimate Frisbee for Selected Dragonflies Children