

# School Snippets

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## What a busy week we have had!

### Music Theme Day

The children had a lovely return to school after the half term break with our music day. Each class enjoyed a range of music based activities, intended to enthuse the children and enrich our music curriculum. Activities included:

**Apple:** Singing nursery rhymes and listening, and talking about Elvis Presley's music

**Oak:** 'Rock Steady' – country music, pitch, line dancing and making sound effects to the story 'We're going on a bear hunt'

**Willow:** 'Rock Steady' – singing the theme to Toy Story, including using Makaton signing and making music using keyboards

**Beech:** Investigating Rhythm and beat, listening to and discussing music by Mozart, French songs

**Cedar / Sycamore:** Making music using 'Scratch' IT software, investigating pitch, rhythm and timbre.

## Upcoming Events...

### Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Mar – Fri 11<sup>th</sup> Mar

- Sponsored Reading Event

### Wed 9<sup>th</sup> Mar

- Year 5 Swimming

### Thur 10<sup>th</sup> Mar

- Mother's Day Shop Planning Meeting 9.15am

### Fri 11<sup>th</sup> Mar

- Open Afternoon (see page 3)

### 29<sup>th</sup> Mar

- Travelling Book Fair arrives in school

## Reminder

Our next fundraising event will be the Mother's Day Shop. This is an opportunity for children to buy a small gift for Mum at school.

If any parents (Mums or Dads) are able to help us to organise this event, I will be holding a planning meeting on Thursday 10th March at 9.15 in school. All parents welcome!

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2022



## World Book Day

It was fantastic to see all the children arrive on Thursday looking resplendent in their PJs! It was a great day, enjoyed by both children and staff. Reading is so important, we hope that the day has sparked the children's enthusiasm for reading and the pleasure they get from it.

Throughout the day, we did lots of activities both as a whole school and within each class:

Whole School: 'Book in a Hoop' – all the staff left clues to a book in a hoop. The children visited the hall and had fun trying to work out the books that the different objects represented.

Staff also bought a book and after playtime, children could choose which book they would like to have read to them.

Class activities included:

**Apple** – Making cosy reading dens and listening to stories read by the Duchess of Cambridge

**Oak** – Huge book puzzle! Designing a cover for 'Click, Clack, Moo', Reading to friends, watch Duchess of Cambridge and Jackanory Junior

**Willow** – 'Book in a Box' based on the story 'Tin Forest', and reading the French version of 'The Hungry Caterpillar'

**Beech** – Author Nadia Shireen's masterclass focusing on how text and illustrations are put together

**Cedar / Sycamore** – Looking at a range of authors and their books, choosing their next class read. Cedar class also had a 'Harry Potter' afternoon



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## Open Afternoon

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March 1.30 – 2.45pm**

Fingers crossed this will go ahead – it has been so long since we have been able to invite parents into school. If you are able to join us, please enter school via the office entrance, where we will ask you to sign in.

The open afternoon is an opportunity for you to spend time not only in your child's classroom, but also to visit other classes in school to find out what they have been learning – some activities may involve you too!

There will also be some performances in the hall – I will send a timetable next week so you can plan your visit.

The afternoon will end at 2.45 so that teachers can get children ready to go home safely (and tidy up!). At 2.45 please either leave school via the office or wait on the playground to collect children in the usual way.

### Important Safety Reminder

Vehicles should not park on the zig-zag lines or in a way which prevents children and families being able to cross the road safely.

### Sponsored Read Event

Don't forget our sponsored reading event starting on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March and finishing on 11<sup>th</sup> March. A sponsorship form was sent home before half term. Please return forms and any money raised by 16<sup>th</sup> March – you can either send cash, or via Parentpay (Sponsored Read 22).

We hope to raise lots of money to update our class reading areas.

The travelling book fair arrives in school on 29<sup>th</sup> March.

### What the children say...

*"Music day was exciting"*

*"World Book Day was very fun"*

**"We liked going in the hall and doing the hoops"**

*"Music day made me happy, 'musicky' and excited"*

*"Liked choosing a different teacher to read to us"*

*"Enjoyed playing around with different instruments and making funky beats"*

*"Loved wearing pyjamas"*

*"It was a fun day"*