**Our month in school**

We’ve had a busy February! Reception, Y1 and Y2 had a fabulous day at Imagine That . They had loads of fun and their behaviour was excellent. Y4 were a credit to the school travelling on the train to Liverpool to visit the art gallery and the museum, so much so that the ticket inspector even found some stickers for them! Their interest when our guide at the art gallery was telling them about one of the paintings was a pleasure to watch. Y5 enjoyed their visit to Crucial crew this week, listened well and asked interesting questions. I am very proud of them all.

We raised £86 for the NSPCC and £130 for school fund.

**Dates for your diary**

**World Book Day Thursday 6th March**- your child will be receiving information about this.

The book fair will be visiting us again for World Book Day! We are organising this slightly differently this year. If you wish your child to choose a book they can bring money (£5-£10) to school in a named envelope which should be handed to the class member of staff on Thursday 6th May (World Book Day). Year 6 children will help them to choose and buy suitable books and they will have these for home time. Alternatively if you want to choose books without your children the hall will be open from 2.30pm for adults to purchase. The book fair will then also be open

after school till 4pm for you to visit with your child. You can pay with cash or card. For anyone who cannot attend on Thursday the fair will also be open on Friday for children to bring cash in again or after school for final purchases.

**Wednesday 12th March** Y1 class assembly at 9.10am. All Y1 parents are invited to attend.

**Wednesday 19th March** Y3 class assembly at 9.10am All Y3 parents are invited to attend.

The Life Caravan will be in to work with each class on Friday 14th and Friday 21st March

**Friday 21st March**- Comic Relief Day- Party like it’s 1985! To celebrate 40 years of Red Nose Day children are invited to dress 80s style, or wear red to celebrate. £1 donation to Comic Relief.

**Tuesday 1st April**- Alison Twist will be leading our Easter assembly in school. This is for the children only.

**Wednesday 2nd April**- Y2 and Y3 are doing their bit for the community and going litter picking!

**Thursday 3rd April** Rock Kidz will be back with us! Dress like a rock star! £1 donation to school fund. We will also be having our annual egg competition and egg rolling on this day- details to follow.

**Friday 4th April** Y5 class assembly at 9.10am. All Y5 parents are invited to attend

**End of term 1.10 pm**

**Parents’ Evening**

**Please note dates carefully**

Tuesday 25th March Y1,Y2 and Y6

Wednesday 26th March Reception, Y3 and Y5

Wednesday 2nd April Y4

Booking information will be sent next week.

**Uniform**

We will be holding our uniform giveaway next Tuesday 4th March in the school hall. This includes some brand new summer dresses (limited to one pack per child) Please pop in from 3pm to save yourself some money and help the environment. No charge but any donations will go to school fund.

**Dinners**

We will be having a themed menu for World Book Day. Children are always welcome to have a dinner even if they don’t usually have one.

Just a few reminders though please. It is **your** responsibility to order your child’s school dinner or inform us on School Hub that they are having a packed lunch. We have had a few instances recently where children have not had a dinner and this has caused the children some anxiety. Also, please ensure that if your child is off sick that you cancel their lunch too. If it isn’t cancelled it has to be paid for so this will either cost you or school.

**Reminders**

All scooters and bikes should not be ridden once you are in school grounds. This includes pre-school children and adults please! Also, please do not cut across the grass and stick to the paths.

**Homework survey**

I sent a link to this survey on seesaw last week and so far have only had 16 responses. Please do respond as parent or carer, even if you are quite happy with the homework situation in school. The link is:

[**https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1eq5xPlvfP-F9-TpfPOjnUVb33G-CXCTw16SrCnMUZlw/edit**](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1eq5xPlvfP-F9-TpfPOjnUVb33G-CXCTw16SrCnMUZlw/edit)

**Attendance and punctuality**

Our attendance is still something that needs to be worked on, especially as it is particularly low this month. Years 5 and 6, in particular, are now at such an important stage in their education and even one day missed can have an impact on their scores in SATs. Data shows that in the UK 84% of Key Stage 2 pupils who had 100% attendance achieved the expected standard, compared to 40% of pupils who were persistently absent across the key stage. The data also shows that primary school children in Key Stage 2 who didn’t achieve the expected standard in reading, writing and maths missed on average four more days per school year than those whose performance exceeded the expected standard.

Our whole school attendance: 89.05%

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| Reception | 88.27% |
| Year 1 | 91.41% |
| Year 2 | 92.13% |
| Year 3 | 88.22% |
| Year 4 | 89.78% |
| Year 5 | 86.67% |
| Year 6 | 86.90% |

**Mrs McCann**