

Dear Parents/Carers,

Wednesday 13th March 2019

Attendance

Congratulations to Class 3 again with 99% attendance for last week. They will receive their class voucher of £5.00. Y3 - 99%, Y1 - 98.3%, Y4 - 98%, Y5 - 97.7%, R - , 6.9%, N - PM - 96.1%, Y6 - 94.8%, Y2 - 93.7%, N - AM - 92%.

Early Year's plea:

Spring is approaching and we are looking to enhance our outdoor area to provide children opportunities to develop their imagination and physical development.

We have a wish list and are hoping yourselves or a member of your family can help in any way. Items include:

Large tubes, guttering, pipes, electric cable wheels, tyres, sleepers (to create an outdoor sandpit), microwave (to go in the mud kitchen), unwanted plastic play kitchen, pots and pans, mobile phones/telephones, camera, keyboards, sheets or duvet covers (den building), steering wheels, cones. If you are able to help in anyway please let Mrs Carr or Mrs Gall know.

World Book Day

Thank you so much for all your efforts for World Book Day, The children looked fabulous. Well done to all those who entered the competition so far, any further entries need to be in by Friday 22nd March.

One lucky winner's design will be made into a **real-life National Book Tokens gift card**, to be distributed across bookshops nationwide in time for Christmas! And there are National Book Tokens galore to be won too - just imagine all those beautiful new books for your school's bookshelves...

To take part, your pupils simply have to make their mark on the template here and design a National Book Token with the theme of **Share a Story**. A panel of judges will select a winner and runner-up in each of three age categories: up to 8 years, 9-12 years and 13-16 years.

FIRST PRIZE in each age range wins:

- **£250** National Book Tokens for the school
- **£100** National Book Tokens for the child
- **£100** National Book Tokens for the teacher

SECOND PRIZE in each age range wins:

- **£150** National Book Tokens for the school
- **£50** National Book Tokens for the child
- **£50** National Book Tokens for the teacher

Football Match Winners

Congratulations to our football team for their 2-1 win yesterday, against Our Lady Star of The Sea.

British Science Week Drone Workshop

Have you ever flown a drone? To celebrate 'British Science Week 2019' Sefton Children's University is inviting our Children's University students to attend an interactive drone event tomorrow at Springwell Park Community Primary School, Menai Road Bootle L20 6PG, 14th March 4.00 - 6.00PM. More information is on our website and the school notice boards.

Book Tokens

All you need to do is to take it to your local bookseller there are lots of them out there and swap it for one of the TWELVE exclusive, new and completely FREE World Book Day books.

Or, if you'd prefer, you can use your book token to get £1 off any full price book instead. And if you'd rather get an audiobook, that's fine too! It's your choice, just as long as the book or audiobook costs at least £2.99. Then all YOU have to do is take your book home and enjoy it. The World Book Day book tokens are valid until Sunday 31 March 2019.

Easter Bonnets

As we do each year we will be holding an Easter Bonnet competition on. This year it will take place on 5th April 2019. There will be a first and second prize for each class and a participation prize for every child who enters. We do hope you enjoy making the bonnets with your children at home - please do not go to great expense buying a bonnet as the commercial bonnets rarely win the competition! Have fun making your bonnets!

Parents should register this month for Summer 30 hour places

Parents with children who will be aged 3 by the summer term should register for a 30 hours funded place by end of February. HMRC has advised that new parents need to register by 28th February to guarantee an eligibility code. Without this code, you won't be able to receive funding for the additional entitlement. Whilst it may still be possible to register for the summer term as late as 31 March, it is advisable to register as early as possible and ahead of the end of February deadline.

Parents and Friends Association (PFA) Meeting

New recruits are always welcome - and very much needed. If you feel you would be interested in finding out more about the PFA before you commit please do come along to the next meeting is tomorrow, 14th March at 2.30pm in the Family Room. Refreshments will be provided and everyone is welcome.

Dates and Events for the Rest of the Year

Please visit the school website for details <http://www.stoswaldsnetherton.com/events>

Dates and Events for this half term.

March

15th March - Red Nose Day- bring in your red nose and a £1 donation. Birds of Prey event

19th March- Football match V Our Lady Queen of Peace (away).

22nd March - Year 2 trip to Jodrell Bank

25th March - Assessment week & last week for after school clubs.

11.15 am - Mini Church for EYFS - all families welcome at church. Year 3/4 athletics tournament

27th March - Whole School Communion - all families welcome - 10.00am at church

28th March - Year 2 to visit Cathedral for Icons workshop

April

2nd April - Meet the teacher 2PM

3rd April - Experience Easter for Years 5 & 6

4th April - Experience Easter for Years 1 - 4. 2.15pm - Stay n' Play in Nursery and Reception

5th April - End of term service at church at 9.45am - all welcome

Easter bonnet competition to follow. 2pm - End of Term.

2 week Easter holiday, school re-opens on 23rd April.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'E. Murtagh', written over a light blue rectangular background.

Miss E. Murtagh

Headteacher