



PTCPS Newsletter



Issue 11

Friday 4th March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Friday's seem to come round quicker each week, which certainly accounts for our busy week in school.

Pancake races

What an amazing afternoon! On Tuesday we were joined by Young at Heart who enjoyed watching our pancake races! Mrs Fordham set up a variety of races for the children to enjoy. The smiles, laughter and participation was a wonderful sight to behold. I would like to extend our thanks to Friends who provided enough pancakes for the children and members of Young at Heart, they were thoroughly enjoyed.

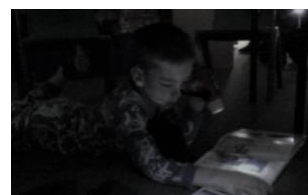


World Book Day

Thursday certainly was a day of fun and learning as the children and staff celebrated world book day. It was wonderful to see the enjoyment and love of books throughout the day.



Thank you to the Dalton family for donating the books for our sale and torches to keep the children reading even when the power goes off!



Reading Initiative

Please continue to support your child's reading throughout the week and remind them to show an adult in their class their reading record on a Friday morning. Our challenge is for children to read/discuss their book with an adult 4 times a week. The adult must write a comment in the yellow reading record. If they manage this starting from Friday night through to Friday morning, they will receive a raffle ticket. In our Friday celebration assembly a raffle ticket will be drawn and the child will receive a new book gifted by the school. Please encourage and support your child with this initiative to equip all children with the skills of reading.

Learning Powers

The names for the learning powers continue to be voted for in school. We are now joined by Webz the spider, who enjoys making links in learning.

Red Nose Day

Miss Webb and the School Council will be selling red noses from 8.40am-8.55am, Monday 7th March. They cost £1.50 each.

Hazel Class News



In Hazel class we have been learning about Friction in our Science lessons. The children really enjoyed carrying out an investigation to see if the surface type made a difference to the distance a toy car travelled. We learnt that water can create a barrier between the car and the road and reduces friction. We also thought about last term's Geography lessons where we learnt about Monsoons. We found out from the internet that more car accidents happen in Monsoon season in other countries for this very reason.



In PSHE we have been learning about our rights and responsibilities and how to keep ourselves safe. The children really enjoyed the practical activities which underpin very important knowledge. We made hands with a red and green side to show our understanding of what is safe and appropriate and what might make us feel unsafe or uncomfortable.



Over the last few weeks in our Art lessons we have been learning how to create a Monochrome landscape. This involves using only ONE base colour! The children were amazed at how they could create different shades and tones in this way, which reflect the simplicity of the landscape. The results were truly amazing. We were so happy with them we decided to extend this task to make silhouettes and a 3-D frame. We were very grateful for parents help (and staff!) who provided us with empty cereal packets. The children really enjoyed the final outcome.



One of the highlights of our last term has been our English lessons. We have been reading the Crow's Tale which the children loved. We have been plotting the highs and lows of the story on a timeline, which has helped us map out the key events. We particularly enjoyed working with drama to act out scenes to help us to write in more detail. We then wrote our very own



story. Hazel's stories were so good we read them to Beech and Elm. This was a lovely opportunity to share our success with the wider school community. We made the stories into small booklets with a front over and even a synopsis at the back! Well done Hazel class.

Parent Questionnaire

If you haven't yet completed our online questionnaire please do so, your feedback is really important to us. If you do have any concerns please arrange to meet with your child's class teacher or myself to discuss further.

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Star of the week

Each week the adults and children reflect in their classes and choose a member of the class to receive the 'Star of the week' certificate. I am pleased to share that in...

Week 2

Beech – George, Hazel – Aphra, Oak - Gilbert, Elm – Flynn.

Thank you for being the best you can be!

I finally extend our thanks to Mr Ashwood who finishes his teaching placement with us today. He has been a huge asset to our team and Hazel class have enjoyed working with him. We wish you all the best in your future career as a class teacher.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

C. Kinsella

All dates are subject to change – more details will follow regarding specifics

Term 4	
Monday 7 th March	Oak Class Brian Moses poetry performance workshop
Tuesday 8 th March	Elm Class Brian Moses poetry performance workshop
Wednesday 9 th March	High 5 Netball at HCC
Friday 18 th March	Red Nose Day
Friday 1 st April	Last day of term
Monday 4 th April – Monday 18 th April – Easter holidays	
Term 5	
Tuesday 19 th April	Children back to school
TBC	Maypole Day
Wednesday 25 th May	Class Photographs
Thursday 26 th May	Punnetts Town School Jubilee celebration from 12.30pm – all to wear red white and blue Parents to come in to share lunch with their child/ren on the playground, then the children will share their Maypole dancing. Parents can then look at their child/ren's work. We will also have a portrait gallery for you to look around and purchase your child's finished painting of the Queen. We will have an optional baking competition, more details will follow and all cakes will be to be eaten and enjoyed with classmates on the day.
Friday 27 th May	Last day of term
Monday 30 th May – Friday 3 rd June – Half term	
Term 6	
Monday 6 th June	Children back to school
Monday 6 th Friday 10 th June	Y6 residential
Tuesday 28 th June (Reserve date Tuesday 5 th June)	Sports Day – 9.15am start - Beech and Hazel on the school field followed by Beech and Hazel parents looking at their child's school work. 1.15pm start – Oak and Elm on the school field followed by Oak and Elm parents looking at their child's school work.
W/C Monday 11 th July	Reports to parents and carers
Thursday 21 st July	Last day of term
Summer Holidays	
Term 1	
Thursday 1 st & Friday 2 nd September	INSET days for school staff
Monday 5 th September	New academic year starts for the children