

Friday News - 27.03.2026

The final week in term is always one for finishing topics off and leaving everything ready for a well-deserved break. This week has seen Europe class finish their DT unit cooking biscuits where they have adapted the recipe to include some tasty extras. South America have been busy building classes and North America have been preparing for their class assembly. North America's class assembly was an energetic Friday treat this morning. They had all learnt their lines and performed brilliantly. A fantastic end to a wonderful Spring Term.

Attendance

We achieved **95.3%** attendance this week, this is an decrease on last week. Year 2 are our attendance champions this week with **98.8%**, well done Year 2!

#MomentsMatterAttendanceCounts

When a school trip is cancelled

On Wednesday this week, Africa class's trip was cancelled because of the forecasted poor weather. We were informed on that morning and Miss Paddon had to hastily come up with some ideas to make sure the children were not too disappointed. She had many ideas and also asked the children what they wanted to do. All of their wonderful ideas were included in their fun packed day. They had an amazing day, playing in our forest school area, having a picnic lunch on the school field and dressing up and being creative in the classroom. Miss Paddon took some wonderful photos; you can see just how much fun they had!



Year 6 residential

Asia class travelled to Thorpe Woodlands on Wednesday and will be returning as Friday News is being sent out. Thorpe Woodlands is a fantastic residential where children have the opportunity to develop teamwork, build resilience and challenge themselves both physically and mentally. It was an absolute pleasure to be able to join them in the forest yesterday to watch them overcome their fears and take part in activities we can't offer in a school environment. We have missed them though and look forward to hearing all about it when they return to school after Easter. Year 6 parents and year 5 pupils will hear all about it and see some fantastic videos and photos in their class assembly on 16th April.

Governor Letter

Our Chair of Governors, Mark van der Lande has written a letter to you all following the recent Full Governor Body Meeting. Please see the separate email.

Easter craft at St Lawrence Church

On Good Friday we will be running an Easter Workshop for Primary age children in St Lawrence Church.

Lots of crafts to do and an Easter egg hunt.

Registration at 9.30 and we finish at 12.30.

We would be very grateful for some idea of numbers so if possible please book with Rev Faith Marsden

femarsden@hotmail.co.uk with names and ages of children.

Key Summer Dates (these may be added to)

PTFA Fri-Yay events - first Friday of every month

30 March - 10 April - Easter Holidays

13th April - Children return to school

16th April - Asia Class Assembly

16th April - South America and Europe to Suffolk Farm and Country Fair

17th April - Swimming Starts

21st April - North America Class trip to The Food Museum

23rd April - Class Photos

4th May - BANK HOLIDAY

11th - 15th May - Year 6 SATs

18 - 22nd May - Year 2 SATs

20th May - Asia to Crucial Crew

22nd May - Oceania to Jimmy's Farm

25th to 29th May - MAY HALF TERM

1st to 5th June - Year 4 Times Tables Check

2nd June - Doorstep Theatre production in school (more details to follow)

8th to 12th June - Year 1 Phonics Screening Test

23rd June - Doorstep Theatre Production in school (more details to follow)

2nd July - Sports Morning all year groups (start around 9:15 finished by 10:35 ish)

6th & 7th July - OSA transition for Y6

13th & 14th July - Stour Valley transition for Y6

13th to 15th July - TGS transition for Y6.

17th July - Last day of school

Have a very wonderful Easter holidays.



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“Let the children come to me and do not stop them, because the Kingdom of heaven belongs to them” MATTHEW 19:14