



MARCH NEWS LETTER

What have we been up to?

We have been looking at the growth and decay of flowers and plants. We have been looking at what happens when a daffodil is placed in water with food colouring added, the children have found it fascinating. The children also enjoyed learning about the different species of British birds and making their collage pictures.

Coming up...

Sport Relief on Friday 13th March: We would like the children to come to Owlets in something sport related, it can be as simple as a pair of trainers and to bring £1 per family. We will be doing this the whole week of 9th—13th March to allow all of the children to participate if they would like to.

School in a Bag

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our fundraising for School in a Bag last month. Your cake and hamper items were very generous and the children did a fantastic job of selling raffle tickets.

We are delighted to announce that across both sites, the total raised was £1,317!

This will equate to filling 65 School Bags for needy children around the world.



The children will help to pack the bags later this month and we will track the bags in their journeys...

A special well done goes to Matilda in Year 2 who raised £100 at home through her own sponsored events. Fantastic!

World Book Day



This is a reminder that we are asking the children to bring a clue for a book or book character for this Thursday's World Book Day, rather than create or buy a costume.

The Travelling Book Fair will be visiting school during week commencing 16th March as follows:

Infant site: 17th, 18th and 19th March at 3.00pm

Junior site: 18th, 19th and 20th March at 3.15pm

This week children will be bringing home a World Book Day voucher that they can use at our Book Fair or at a book shop.

Please can the children bring the voucher with them if they choose to use it at the Fair.

PTFA

The PTFA have started the term with a junior disco raising over £220.

On the 23rd March we are holding a mufti day across both sites, children can bring an Easter Egg in exchange for wearing their home clothes to school. All the eggs will be used for the Easter Egg tombola and Easter Bingo.

Easter Egg Tombola, Tuesday 31st March at the Infant site from 3pm, Junior school children can be collected at 2.45pm if they would like to join in the fun.

Easter Bingo, Friday 3rd April at the Junior school site. Doors open from 6.30pm, eyes down at 7pm. Refreshments, raffle, a cash round and of course the chance to win lots of Easter Eggs just in time for the school holidays.

If anyone can help at either the tombola or bingo night please leave your contact details with the school office, we cannot run these events without parent/carer support.

This term the PTFA have donated £1000 towards the junior school swimming lessons.

Parent Courses

Please see below for information regarding forthcoming parent workshops:

Parenting your anxious child workshop: An information session to understand anxiety in children and guidance on how to support your child through these feelings. Date: Thursday, 12th March 2020 Time: 6.30pm – 8.30pm Venue: Huish Episcopi Academy, Wincanton Road, Langport, Somerset, TA10 9SS. To book a place for this session please visit: <https://forms.gle/BMRxSBqT8sC4iXMTWA>

Protecting your children against Child Exploitation (County Lines): Information about Child exploitation, signs to look out for, ways to keep your children safe. Date: Thursday, 19th March 2020 Time: 6.00pm – 7.30pm Venue: Huish Episcopi Academy, Wincanton Road, Langport, Somerset, TA10 9SS. To book a place for this session please visit: <https://forms.gle/62AG6bWXNrxT8Nks9>

Growth Mindset With Dr Dawn Starley, Educational Psychologist Wednesday, 25th March 2020 starting at 6:30pm, estimated end time 8pm. The beliefs children have about intelligence, effort, and struggle impact the choices they make about learning. Children with a fixed mindset believe that intelligence is fixed at birth and doesn't change with practice. They see school as a place where abilities are evaluated and they interpret mistakes as a sign that they lack talent. This session will help you help your child/ren to develop a growth mindset believing that intelligence can be developed. These students see school as a place to develop their abilities and think of challenges as opportunities to grow. To book a place on this session please visit: <https://forms.gle/RvhuWArcdvUm16gy6>

Dates for your diaries

4th—6th March	Y3 and 4 Kilve Court residential trip
5th March	World Book Day
9th—13th March	Sport Relief
Week beg. 16th March	Book Fair on both sites
20th March	Progress reports home
23rd March	Mufti day—bring a chocolate egg to school
24th March	Infant Parents' Evening
25th March	Junior Parents 'Evening
31st March:	Infant Easter Bonnet Parade at 9am (parents welcome) and Easter Egg Tombola at 3.00pm . (Junior children can be collected at 2.45pm by parents should they wish to attend)
2nd April:	Easter Service at St. Michael's Church at 2pm, all parents welcome
3rd April:	Children break up and Bingo night

Coronavirus

Please see the link below for the latest advice on the Coronavirus from the Department of Education:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19>

Please keep an eye on the News section of our school website for further updates.

Gentle Reminders

Please can you send your child to school in sensible footwear ie. shoes that don't slip off and please no high heels.

Please can all grapes, cherry tomatoes and cocktail sausages in the children's lunchboxes be cut in half lengthways to reduce the risk of choking.

Mobile phones should not be used whilst on Owlets premises.

Can you please also supply wipes and nappy sacks as well as the nappies to change your child whilst they are here.

Thank you