Netherton Infant & Nursery School Newsletter

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Latest News

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Spring Term 2 and I hope you all had a lovely half term break – it was so nice to have a little sunshine. We can look forward to some spring weather and lighter mornings and nights plus lots of wonderful things happening in school.

The Strictly Pennine Dance festival at the Lawrence Batley Theatre is next Thursday evening – so many year 2 children are taking part, I know it's going to be wonderful.

Don't forget it's also World Book Day next Thursday when children will be focussing on the whole meaning of the day - reading and sharing books – children can wear their pyjamas to school and bring in their favourite bedtime story – please ensure you name your book. Children will receive a book token that can then be swapped for a FREE World Book Day book available from participating booksellers. We will have a special 'Guess the Teacher's Bookshelf' quiz for you to take part in too – so watch out for that!

Enjoy the rest of the news!

Mrs Emma Barker Headteacher

Dress to Express & Friendship Day

On the last day of half term, we celebrated the end of Children's mental health week with our dress to express day. We raised over £140 which has gone straight to purchasing some books for the whole school on positive mental health. Children also made their friendship hearts – have you spotted any around Netherton?



Punctuality

A polite reminder that school starts promptly at 8:50am each morning and nursery starts at 8:45am. Remember that lateness impacts your child - they miss out on important learning, which could affect their achievement, they don't have the social time to settle into class, it can be embarrassing for them and may disrupt the learning of the rest of the class.

Important Dates

Monday 20th February – Start of spring term 2 Thursday 2nd March – World Book Day Thursday 9th March – Parent's Evening 2 Thursday 16th March – FONS Mother's Day Shop Monday 27th March – Easter Bingo 6pm Thursday 2nd March – Strictly Pennine (Y2 only) Wednesday 8th March – Parent's Evening 1 Thursday 9th March – Nursery 'Stay & Play' Wednesday 22nd March – Parent Workshop Friday 31st March – Easter Bunny Hop



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World Book Day

A date for your diaries – World Book Day is on Thursday the 2nd of March.

This year we will be taking part in lots of book-led activities, buddy reading and extra BEAR time (Be Excited About Reading). Children are welcome to bring in their favourite book to share in school if they should wish and wear their pyjamas to really get into the mood for a good bedtime story!



FONS – Mother's Day Shop

FONS will be running their Mother's Day shop this year. Children can surprise mums, stepmums, grandmas or any other super special ladies in their lives with a thoughtful gift. Children need to bring £2 in a sealed envelope on the day and they will then get chance to visit the shop during school time on Thursday 16th March.

SENDco Drop In

On Wednesday 8th March, Jenny Gurden, our SENDco will be available for a drop in chat for the duration of parent's evening. You can contact the office to make a specific appointment from 3:30pm – 5:30pm or just drop in before or after your parent's meeting to see if she is available for a quick chat in our staff room.

Parent Workshops

A reminder that 'Back to School Support for Parents and Carers/Managing Change and Transition' - will be our first parent workshop to be held in school and led by Northorpe Hall. This will take place in our outdoor classroom – The Beehive at 9am on Wednesday 22nd of March (not the 28th as previously advertised). Everyone is welcome – please can you email office@nethetonian.co.uk to book your place.

Music and Art

We've had some amazing artwork shared in school on the theme of Rimsky-Korsakov's Flight of the Bumblebee. We really do have some very talented and creative children! On Friday, we are to be treated to a live musical version of the piece performed by a student from the Royal College of Music, she'll also be playing our next focussed piece - 'In the Hall of the Mountain King' by Grieg.



