



Dates for your diary

- 05.03.2024 – Mothers' Day Sale
- 07.03.2024 – World Book Day
- 07.03.2024 – Book at Bedtime 6pm
- 11.03.2024 – STEM week
- 13.03.2024 – Books to go home to share progress.
- 15.03.2024 – Family STEM challenge 2:30pm
- 18.3.2024 and 19.3.2024 – Parents evening in hall.

Important notice

Parking reminder:

Please think about the safety of our children and local residents when parking near the school.



All the staff in Pine class for organising an incredible trip.

Elm Park Cup



Points so far...

1st – Blue - 306

2nd – Green - 294

3rd – Yellow - 209

4th – Red - 208



Dear Families,

We hope this newsletter finds you well and filled with the joy of learning and shared experiences. Here are some highlights from our recent activities:

Inspiring School trip to Slimbridge Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust

Our Reception class embarked on an exciting trip to Slimbridge Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust. The visit was not only educational but also inspiring as our young learners had the opportunity to connect with nature and explore the fascinating world of wildfowl and wetlands. They had a wonderful time with happy sleepy faces climbing off of the coach at the end of the day. Please see our Facebook page for snapshots of their day.

Enriching

A special lunch event brought Year 2 families together with the school community. It was wonderful to see so many families joining Maple class to share a meal. The children were truly excited to show their parents and carers what to do and where to sit. The hall was filled with a lot of laughter and very full tummies by the end of the lunch break. We look forward to welcoming our Year 3 parents later this term!

Dressing up with a twist! Did you know that reading plays a huge part in our mental well-being? Getting lost in a good book, all snuggled up and cosy, can truly help us relax and unwind. On World Book Day this year, we would like to invite all our children to come to school in their comfiest clothes: PJs, joggers, or any other outfit that makes your child feel totally at ease. Think 'dressing down' rather than 'dressing up'! Remember to bring their favourite book along with them to enjoy some 'cosy reading' during the day. We will also have an exciting range of activities planned for the children to take part in, including drawing competitions, sharing book reviews and recommendations, and finding out about each other's favourite books.

Book at bedtime From 6.00pm to 6.30pm, we will open our doors again for children to come and join their teachers in their classroom for a 'bedtime story', complete with hot chocolate/squash and a biscuit. We really look forward to seeing you there, as a lovely way to end our World Book Day celebrations.

Family STEM Challenge

After the success of our marble challenge last year, we are planning a new family challenge for STEM week this year. We invite you to join your children on Friday 15th March at 2:30pm. More details to follow soon. Please also see the recent email about the poster competition.



Achieving Together: PTFA School Disco Success!

The recent PTFA school disco was a tremendous success, bringing our school community together for an evening of fun and celebration. We are thrilled to announce that the event also had a positive impact on our fundraising efforts, raising over £500. These funds will contribute to various school initiatives, benefiting our students and enhancing their overall educational experience.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Parent-Teacher Friends Association (PTFA), volunteers, and everyone who contributed to the success of the school disco. Your support is invaluable.

House Competition Update:

At the end of last term, we held our latest inter-house sports competitions. Pine and Elm classes paired up with their buddies to take on a multi-skills challenge while Beech and Maple competed in a dodgeball tournament. In KS2, Willow and Oak played hockey and Hazel and Cedar competed at bench ball. It was great to hear that all the children showed a wonderful team spirit – cheering each other on and playing fairly. Well done everyone!

The winning teams were –

Pine and Elm – Red

Beech and Maple – Blue

Willow and Oak – Green

Hazel and Cedar – Blue

Teams were awarded points for the competitions and these were added to the house point totals from last term.

PE and Sports News

Yesterday, our Y5/6 Boys football team played in a tournament at Yate Academy against the other teams in our league. A squad of 12 players went and they showed determination, perseverance and enthusiasm. They grew in confidence during the morning and Mr Williams was very proud of them all. Well done to all of you, especially Broc and Oliver R as goal scorers and Dylan for your brilliant goalie skills.

