



Newsletter 11- 10th March 2023

Dates For Your Diary



- 13/3/23 - British Science Week
- 15/3/23 - Strike action No Blackbirds.
Year 3 / 4 are able to come into school at 12pm
- 16/3/23 - Strike action, No Blackbirds
- 17/3/23 - Red nose day
 - Mother's Day coffee morning
- 21/3/23 - Nursery/Reception Multi Skills Festival
- 22/3/23 - Parents evening 3-5.30pm
- 27/3/23 - Y3/4 Orienteering
 - 2pm Easter Assembly
 - Easter Crafts judging
 - Easter egg raffle
- 28/3/23 - SEND parents meetings
- 29/3/23 - FOBS Movie night 'Matilda'
- 31/3/23 - End of Term. Return to school on Tuesday 18th April



Mother's Day Coffee Morning

We will be holding a Mother's Day coffee morning on Friday 17th March from 9.00-10.30. Everyone is welcome to come along for a drink and cake. We are asking for donations towards Red Nose Day at this event. There will be packs of biscuits for sale made by Lynn. Children will be able to come in and join parents for a short time but will then go and take part in their learning.



Red Nose Day

'Wear whatever makes you happy day' (but remember the junior children are going swimming!)

The school council will be running activities throughout the week and would like to run a cake stall for the children on Red Nose Day 17th March so Lynn will make cakes to be sold at playtime for a donation of 20p. Children are invited to come to school in non- uniform and donate towards Red Nose Day. Donations can be made by cash or via parent pay using the following the link.

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=10392>

Easter Crafts



This year the FOBS are running an Easter crafts competition. The children are invited to enter 1 entry based on an Easter craft e.g. Easter bonnet, decorated egg, card etc. There will be a winner chosen from each year group. Please can all entries be in school no later than Monday 27th March as the judging will take place prior to the Easter assembly.



Movie Night

The FOBS are holding a movie night on Wednesday 29th March 3-5pm. The film being shown will be Matilda. £2.50 to include refreshments.

Bookings to be made via parent pay by no later than Friday 24th March.

Wanted Chocolate Easter Eggs



The FOBS are running a chocolate Easter egg raffle please bring any donations into school no later than Monday 27th March as tickets will be on sale at the Easter assembly.

Uniform Reminder

School uniform consists of the following:

Light blue polo shirt, red sweatshirt/jumper/cardigan, grey school trousers and black school shoes. PE Kit – red/ black shorts with a white t-shirt and the option of bringing tracksuit bottoms and top for cold weather. We seem to be having an increase in children wearing trainers and tracksuit bottoms.

Parents Evening

Parents evening is to be held on Wednesday 22nd March, appointments will be emailed out soon.

Uniform Swap

We are planning on holding a uniform swap. If you have any good quality second hand school uniform that no longer fits your child and would like to donate it for the uniform swap please send it in to school. There will be an opportunity at



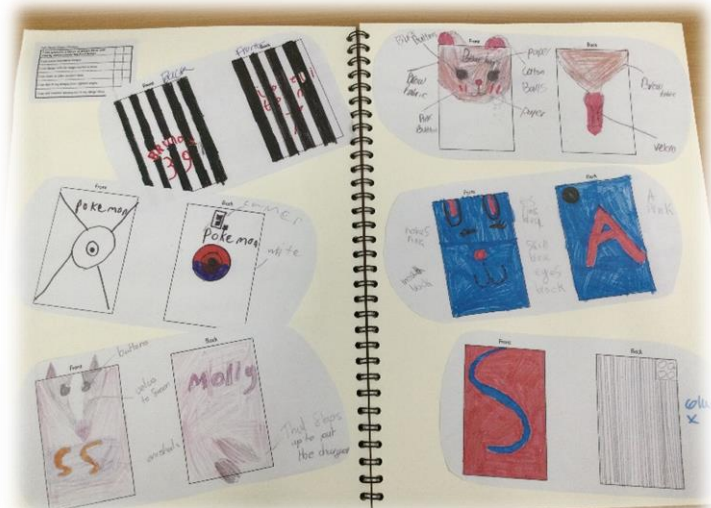
parents evening for children and parents to look and see if there are any items that could be of use saving money and the environment.

Learning Around School This Week

Blackbirds



This week in Blackbirds we have been learning all about Spring. We explored outside to look for signs of Spring and found lots of flowers including snowdrops and daffodils. We then painted our own daffodil pictures. Don't they look colourful?! We also had an exciting visit from a pair of new born lambs and we even got a chance to stroke them!



Owls



This week we had some surprise visitors 2 lambs which were kindly brought in by Georgina's mam. Georgina told us about the lambs and how they can stand up almost straight away! This was a perfect link to our science topic of animals and their babies including humans and over the next few weeks we are going to have some more babies hopefully come to visit. We shared the special visitors with Blackbirds and Robins.

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Robins

In D&T we have been designing our felt phone cases which we will be creating over the next few weeks.

We have enjoyed our dance lessons in PE using water as our inspiration. We have worked in groups to create movement phrases thinking about dancing in unison, cannon and call and response techniques.



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