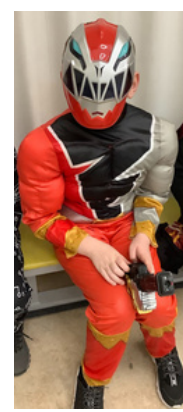


Weekly Newsletter

3rd March 2023



World Book Day!

Children and staff at Four Oaks celebrated World Book Day in style, dressing up in a range of wonderfully creative costumes of their favourite book characters – and even authors! Throughout the day, children had time to read for pleasure, share their favourite stories and make recommendations to their peers as well as hearing their teacher read to them. The love of reading was clear to see!

In EYFS, children attended a zoom led by Waterstone's Children's Laureate, Joseph Coelho who read some of his inspirational poetry and heard children's author Tom Percival read aloud his new story Billy's Bravery. The children can purchase a copy of this book for free using their World Book Day vouchers at a participating shop. In the afternoon, the children then attended the zoom which enabled them to draw a picture in the style of Tom Percival, who taught them how to create his own illustrations.

On the playground, in Cedar House, we held a 'Book Swap' for our families to bring any unwanted books and swap them for another book that they would like to read. The feedback so far has been great! Thank you so much to all adults who contributed to the Book Swap and we hope you enjoy your new-found book!

All in all, World Book Day was a great success – and next year we hope to make it even bigger!

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BE THERE,
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ENJOY WHAT YOU DO,
MOVE YOUR MOOD



REMEMBER
THE SIMPLE
THINGS THAT
GIVE YOU JOY



EMBRACE NEW
EXPERIENCES,
SEE OPPORTUNITIES,
SURPRISE YOURSELF



Your time,
your words,
your presence



Children's Mental Health Week

As part of Children's Mental Health week, we focused on wellbeing. Evidence suggests there are 5 steps you can take to improve your mental health and wellbeing; connect, be active, keep learning, take notice, and give. As a school we discussed these 5 steps and created our Four Oaks Wellbeing Tree which showcases different ideas linked to the 5 steps. Our school councillors unveiled our new display and discussed the importance of wellbeing.

"It is good to help others because it helps you too" - Abigail (Connect and Give)

"I like to go the park to be active" - Rhegan. (Keep Active)

"When you go to the park you can look around you and that makes you feel better when you see pretty things." - Maggie (Take notice)

"It is important to keep learning, when I learn new things it makes me feel good as I know more facts" - Isaac (Keep Learning)



The children have had a fun filled week and it was wonderful to see the children eagerly taking part in their World Book Day activities either by dressing as their favourite character or sharing their favourite book or both!

Earlier in the week I had the pleasure of meeting Year 4 in the library to ask them about their experience of using our library and the books they had chosen. As always, I received an enthusiastic response. Grace was quick to show me a book with her name in the title and Kas and her friends were fascinated by a book all about the human body. The book had different acetate layers so you could start with the skeleton, add the organs and finally the body on top. They were all able to share fascinating facts with me. Did you know that the human body has 206 bones! Or that in an adult, research suggests that the combined length of the small and large intestines is at least 15 ft in length. The intestines have the important role of helping break down and absorb nutrients from food and drink. Amazing!! Hobbies such as reading are also a good way of unwinding and supporting your mental health. Have you seen our new Wellbeing Tree on the other side of this newsletter. It contains many great ideas. Well done and thank you everyone for your contributions.

We hope you have a fun filled weekend and are able to find time to enjoy reading and sharing books with family and friends – perhaps in your reading den?

Best wishes, Mrs Robinson

Absence: It is your responsibility to phone the school office by 9am each day your child is absent. Please leave a voicemail if there is no answer. TERM TIME HOLIDAYS WILL RESULT IN FINES.

	Rec	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
100% Very best chance of success	95%	90%	95%	95%	87%	93%	92%
99-97% Off to a flying start							
96-93% Less chance of success							
92-90% At risk of becoming a Persistent Absentee							
Less than 90% Persistent Absentee							

The school target for this academic year is 97%