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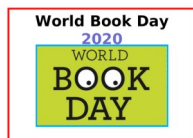


Fair, friendly, fulfilling and fun!

Newsletter - 14th February 2020

World Book Day

This year's World Book Day is being held on Thursday 5th March. On this day children are invited to bring their favourite book to share and are welcome to dress up as a character from this book.



Cross Country Area Finals

After their success in the Seaford Primary Schools Cross Country competition, four children from Emerald Class qualified to compete in the South Downs Area School Games Cross Country Finals which took place this week. This event had runners from Eastbourne, Hailsham, Lewes, Ringmer, Seaford, Peacehaven and Newhaven. It was a very difficult course and was made even more challenging by the recent wet weather but Isobel C, Florence, Rodney & William all did amazing well and we are really proud of them.

Gymnastics Performance

The children from our Gymnastics Club gave a wonderful performance today in our Friday assembly. They organised themselves, rehearsed and performed with professionalism. They are clearly a brilliant team and showed amazing gymnastics skills. Well done: Freya, Xanthe, Isobel, Wilona, Nicole H, Ruby, Sophie and Nicole S.



Our Anti-Bullying Policy has been reviewed by staff and approved by the Governing Board. The children have been reminded that bullying is unacceptable at our school. If bullying does occur, all pupils should be able to tell and know that incidents will be dealt with promptly and effectively. We are a TELLING school. If bullying does occur, everybody has the responsibility to report it and the right to expect that incidents will be dealt with promptly and effectively.

We define bullying as:

When a person or persons repeatedly use words, strength or actions to hurt others and there is an imbalance of power. It can be a persistent act carried out towards a single person or the same act carried out by more than one individual.

The view our policy please [click here](#).

Safety Poster Competition

Thank you to all the children who entered the Safety Poster Competition for the water pipes work in the village. Congratulations to Zoe, Freya and Eliza P who came 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the competition, respectively. All the posters will be displayed at the works site in the village.

Safer Internet Day in Emerald Class



Tuesday was Safer Internet Day 2020, and Emerald class had a great time putting together their own poems, raps, stories and posters to promote safety online – and they even had a visit from Kings Academy Ringmer students who had an important Online Safety presentation to share!

Coronavirus

We know that many of you will be concerned about the recent news headlines about the Coronavirus outbreak. We would like to reassure you that we are following the advice issued by the Department for Education and Public Health England and we are, as always, reminding the children of the importance of good hygiene including regular hand washing. Can we please ask that you do not send children to school with sanitiser gel. Some children tend to put things in their mouths and if they got hold of someone else's hand sanitiser it could be dangerous. Thank you.

Pearl Class Space Day

Today was Space Day in Pearl Class and the children all came to school in their best space themed costumes. Having written letters inviting the aliens to come to the school for the day! The children made delicious 'space smoothies' for their alien friends, made junk model aliens and played space-themed games!



Stars of the Week



Reception - Florence

Year 1 - Amelia P

Year 2 - Beau

Year 3 - Sophie

Year 4 - Charlie

Year 5 - Ollie

Year 6 - Connor

What's coming up

Monday 17th – Friday 21st February
Monday 24th February

February holiday
Children return to school

This Week's Class News

Pearl Class

In Pearl class this week they have been enjoying stories about aliens! They read, 'Here come the Aliens' and created their own playdough aliens using ideas from the story. They read 'alien' descriptions and drew pictures to match the words. They enjoyed creating repeated pattern underpants for the aliens in the story, 'Aliens love Underpants!'

Ruby Class

Ruby Class have had a wonderful final week of this term. On Monday, they loved making their clay polar bears! On Tuesday, the children had a great time exploring compass directions and using these to give directions to each other. In English, the children created their own information booklets about polar bears. During science, they learnt about food chains and created their own. In maths, the children began adding two digit numbers using resources. This week, the children also enjoyed a visit from Stephen and Mrs Ellis from St Andrew's Church. They told the children the story of 'David and Goliath' using lots of great props. The children are looking forward to their new SPACE topic next term.

Sapphire Class

In Sapphire Class this week the children have been multiplying 3 digit numbers by 1 digit numbers and have been really working hard to be methodical, neat and efficient mathematicians. They will be moving onto division after half term but not before they've launched their 'half term times tables challenge' - please see the children's homework folders for more information. In English the children have been studying the Greek Myth of 'The story of Medusa and Perseus's Quest' which everyone has found a bit gruesome but most entertaining! The children have also thoroughly enjoyed sharing their homework challenges this week! They have been absolutely fantastic! Many thanks for all the hard work and support!

Emerald Class

Emerald Class have spent the week learning strategies for multiplying and dividing fractions. It has been a fun challenge, building on all of the previous learning of fractions and has highlighted the importance of Key Instant Recall Facts, like times tables. English lessons have drawn all of our term's learning together to write an exciting climax to the quest stories that the class have been writing.

Dates for your Diary

Any new dates that have been added are in bold

5th March	World Book Day
9th – 13th March	Science Week
17th March	Tempest class photos
19th March	FoAS quiz night at the Sussex Ox
	Little Big Bang STEAM Event at Kings Academy Ringmer - Year 5
30th March – 3rd April	Bikeability Level 2 – Year 6
3rd April	Last day of term
3rd April	Easter Service at St Andrew's Church
6th – 17th April	Spring holiday
20th April	Children return to school
8th May	Bank holiday (VE Day)
11th – 14th May	Year 6 SATs
22nd May	Last day of term
25th – 29th May	May holiday
1st June	Children return to school
18th – 19th June	Yr 2 overnight stay at Rathfinny
23rd June	Games Day & Summer Fair
25th June	Reserve Games Day