



Newsletter

March 2019



Message from Mrs Threlkeld

Dear Parents and Carers,

I write to let you know that Miss Malcolm is moving to a new job after Easter. We would like to thank Miss Malcolm for her strong teaching and care over the past four years and we wish her every success at her next school. In the summer term, Mrs Templar returns from Maternity leave to teach in Base 3 from Friday 24th May. We are arranging for an interim teacher for the first four weeks and will keep you updated. Mrs Darbey in Year 4 will be starting her Maternity leave in June and we wish her all the best and will inform parents of cover arrangements once finalised. Look out for web-site photography which has recently been updated and there are some new dates on the revised summer calendar attached. A reminder that school finishes on Thursday 11th April at 1.15pm for Easter.

E. Threlkeld

Have you downloaded our school app or followed our page on Facebook? These are the easiest ways to keep up to date with all events going on in school.

Reminder:

End of Term: Thursday 11th
April at 1.15pm

School reopens: Monday
29th April

Bike Ability

On the 11th and 12th of March, a group of Year 3 and Year 4 children took part in the Level 1 Bikeability course. The instructors were really impressed with all of the children that were instructed and stated they were 'a pleasure to teach'. The bikers learnt how to check their bikes to ensure they are safe to ride, as well as different biking skills. Well done to all those that took part, especially the Tuesday morning group who persisted despite the rain!

All children have received certificates and badges.

There will be more opportunities for children to get involved in Bikeability next year.



Attendance:
Current School Attendance
for this month: 96.3%

School Target: 96%

21.03.2019
World Down Syndrome Day

#Lotsofsocks

Easter Events

KS1 will be at the Church at Perton on Wednesday 3rd April for their Easter service.

KS2 will be at the Church at Perton on Friday 5th April for their Easter service.

Both will begin at 9.15am (children will walk from school on the morning).

In school, the PTFA will be arranging an 'Easter egg hunt' for all children just before the end of term and we will have our annual 'egg decorating competition' also. Look out for further information about these events.

'Odd Socks' day

A huge well done to all the children who wore odd socks on Thursday 21st March as we raised money for World Down Syndrome day. We are pleased to announce that we raised £232. Thank you!

SATs meeting

Thank you to all those that came to the SATs meeting for Year 2. The meeting informed parents about what the different SATs papers contain and how they will be delivered across two weeks. A SATs timetable was also sent home.

Y1 Phonics workshop

Thank you to all of the parents who attended the phonics workshop with Miss Malcolm. The Powerpoint is now available via the school app for any parents who were unable to attend. Packs will be sent at Easter to support your child with the upcoming assessment.

Upcoming Events:

Nursery Mother's Day Tea Party - 29th March
KS1 Easter Service (At the Church at Perton) - 3rd April
KS2 Easter Service (At the Church at Perton) - 5th April
PTFA Egg decorating competition - Monday 8th April
B3 Present their Dinosaur Museum - Tuesday 9th April
B4 Present their Dinosaur Museum - Wed 10th April
End of Term - Thursday 11th April 1.15pm
Vanilla visit for selected readers - 30th April
Reception Induction - 10th May
Y2 SATs Fortnight - WC 13th May
Class & Leaver's Photographs - 14th May
PTFA Summer Fete - Friday 17th May
Y1 Parent Assembly - Friday 24th May 9am
Half Term - WC 27th May
Inset Day - Monday 3rd June
Y3 Twycross Zoo Visit - 6th June
Reception Ash End Farm Visit - 10th June
Y1 Dudley Zoo Visit - 13th June
Y2 Think Tank Visit - 14th June
Y1 Phonics Screening - WC 17th June (2 weeks)
Nursery Induction Meeting - 17th June
For more information and future events, download our school APP and view the calendar.

PE Update

Dance Show

A selection of Year 3 and 4 children took part in a performance at Codsall Dance Show on Wednesday 13th March. They performed a routine with music from the Disney Parade. They worked really hard in rehearsals and their performance really stood out. Well done for a terrific performance! Thank you to Miss Keyes for her choreography and rehearsal time.

Tag Rugby

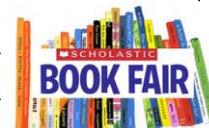
On Thursday 21st March a Year 3 and a Year 4 team were invited to a tag rugby event at Perton First School. They took part in a round robin against schools from our local area. Both teams played well together and applied the skills they'd learnt in Rugby Club, as well as in lessons. They represented our school well and showed great teamwork in defence and attack. Well done to our Year 3 team, which came 6th, and our Year 4 team, which came 2nd. Thank you to Mrs Handley for her work at Tag Rugby club.

Cross Country

At the beginning of the half term teams of boys and girls from Year 2 to Year 4 took part in a cross country event at St Nicholas First School. All of our runners represented our school wonderfully and showed brilliant perseverance and stamina. Well Done!

Book Fair

Thank you for all of your support at the Book fair. We earned £470, which we then get 10% commission of to use on books for school! The half price book fair will return in the Autumn Term!



World Book Day

The children's costumes were wonderful on World Book day! It was fantastic to see the children enjoying themselves and engaging with reading in classes. Children took part in author visits, live lessons and competitions. Thank you for your continued support.

Y4 Author Visit

Year 4 were lucky enough to have the author of 'Tales of Pangloria' visit them on World Book Day. He shared his books with the children and we have since been enjoying these books in school. He said of the children, "Your pupils do you and your staff great credit and they were all so polite and eager to listen. It is always good for an author to have such a diverse range of questions especially from such young minds. To coin a phrase I was completely 'blown away' by their positive responses. Would you please pass on my thanks to your hardworking staff and to your wonderful pupils. I really enjoyed my afternoon."



PTFA Update

School Disco

A huge thank you to everyone who attended the school disco earlier this month. The children had a fantastic time with our DJ playing games, winning prizes, wearing silly wigs, dancing and even playing with the parachute! We raised just under £500 from ticket sales and tuck shop.

Bake Sales

Thank you B5 who donated cakes for our recent bake sale. This raised £62.50, thanks to all those who made purchases on the day. Look out for future Friday bake sales coming soon!

Mother's Day gifts

We were overwhelmed by the orders for our handprint mother's day gifts. The PTFA have been busy in school every day to complete these orders with the children. We hope everyone has a lovely Mother's Day.

As a small team of volunteers, we are always keen for more help. If you would like to support the PTFA but are unable to make the meetings, please email PTFA@pertonacademy.co.uk or contact the school office.