



Be Ready, Be Respectful Be Safe 'To believe, achieve, succeed together'

NEWSLETTER 8 – FRIDAY 3rd MARCH 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a super week of learning and extra activities taking place. On Monday the team from Kier, on behalf of West Northants, came and spoke to the children about building roads and the gritting of them. They asked children to **name a new gritter** – hopefully some names will come back to us and designs of lorries before the closing date of the 24th March. Beech class also had a visit from the **Brackley Fire Crew** on Monday as well as a fire engine and this was very much enjoyed – they learnt lots of new facts as well as tested the hose! **Parents evening** was very well attended and I have received lots of positive feedback about the booking system and the running of it. These are important meetings to share progress and areas to still work on, as well as your child's overall holistic development. We will be having more book looks in the future so you can continue to see children's work.

I would like to make it clear that when parents and children are on the school site, whether that be for parents evening, Friday assembly or any other reason, that **mobile phones are not used**. I understand a phone call may be needed to be taken if it is important or information found if in a meeting. However, to ensure we are being as safe as we can, I respectfully ask that they are not used just generally when in school.

World Book Day was a huge success with an array of book character costumes and a buzz in the air for the day. Well done and thank you to you all for super efforts. We enjoyed a whole school assembly where we thought about, amongst other things, three key questions: What was the first book you remember enjoying? Where do you enjoy reading? How do you choose a new book? We also looked at the books they could buy with their £1 book token too. Miss Curtis had set up a Where's Wally Themed Orienteering activity which all classes got to explore. After break children split into their houses and wrote an amazing story called The Journey. Mrs Connor had written an opening and each team took a different part of the story before we put it all together and joined on Teams to read the whole thing through – it is a great story – with an unusual reference to chicken nuggets on a few occasions! It is attached for you enjoy together at home! Well done to everyone for their work on this. We had a story share at the end of the day too, where children picked a story to listen to. Also attached is a WBD family quiz – any returned by next Friday will go into a draw for a prize!

We have continued to explore the value of **forgiveness** and thought about the phrase 'turning over a new leaf' – we listened to the story of Zacchaeus and the forgiveness he showed. Children also explored **St David's Day** in class worship.

Next week is a little quieter although we shall be joined by some lambs! Also, it is the Bags 2School collection on Wednesday. Please can all bags be placed in the cycle shed on Wednesday by 9am.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs. Smith

Diary – WB 6th March Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

BAGS 2 SCHOOL COLLECTION
Swimming for Y5/6
Netball Tournament y56
FGB 7pm

Thursday

Friday

9am VIP assembly
Orienteering Event for 4 x KS2 chn
PM Forest School for Beech Class

Staff Emails – we have class emails that we as a school are happy that you use to contact teachers on. However, it is important you understand that an immediate response is not always possible nor realistic and ask you give 24 working hours before chasing a response.

Please can you make sure all clothing brought into school is **named!** This will help with items getting mislaid. Also, please can we remind you that we discourage toys from home being brought in unless for a specific reason.

Class	Be Ready Be Respectful Be Safe Award	Handwriting Award
Beech	Charlotte H, Oran R	Joshua A
Chestnut	Quinn S, Zach L	Sophie H
Sycamore	Finley O, Miriam H	Amelie P
Maple	Thomas S, Maisy W	Daisy S

Headteacher Awards linked to World Book Day:

Freya K	Mason S
Aleisha F	Sophie H
Fearne P	Cameron W
Henry B	Luca G

Attachments:

- *WUW Be Real
- *Penalty Notice information
- *Name the gritter
- * WBD Family Quiz
- *WBD Voucher
- *WBD Story written

Safeguarding - Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.
Designated Safeguarding Lead – Mrs Sarah Smith
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead – Mrs Kaye Green
Governor Responsible for Safeguarding – Mrs Claire Barrett

Attendance Figure - for the whole school this academic year: 94.24%
Target 96%