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'To love, live and learn together'



Newsletter Monday 10th February 2025

Our Christian value this half term is 'Honesty'



Safer Internet Day 2025 On Tuesday this week our school will take part in Safer Internet Day 2025. We regularly discuss internet safety with the children. We are fully filtered in school and the children are monitored very closely at all times. This link takes you directly to advice on how to set filters on your devices at home to keep your child safe: <https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers> It contains lots of tips, advice, guides and resources to keep your child safe online. Engaging your child in conversations about internet safety is an excellent way to keep them safe.



Children's Mental Health Week 2025 Last week we focussed on Children's Mental Health Week and shared the importance of recognising and expressing our emotions. We used the 5 ways to Well Being to think about ways in which we can be our best selves in our homes, school and communities.

Thank you to our librarians who are doing a great job recommending books to others and selecting a 'book of the week' for each class which they share in our Weekly Special Mentions Assembly each Friday.

Recommended reads for each class include: **Class 1** Kipper Stories by Mike Inkpen; **Class 2** The Princess and the Wizard by Julia Donaldson; **Class 3** Badger in the Basement and other animal stories by Lucy Daniels. **Class 4** Farm Boy by Michael Morpurgo.

Reminders for this week: **Clubs** have finished for this half term and new clubs can now be booked for after half term for free on Parent Pay. They will start in the week beginning 3rd March. **Year 6 SATs Club will still run this week.**

Valentines Disco with Friends of School this Thursday 13th February. Class 1 and 2 children 6-7pm and Class 3 and 4 children 7.15-8.15pm. Please book on Parent Pay, £3 per child to include a glow stick and ice pop. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Pre loved uniform sale with Friends of School this Friday 14th February at 3.30pm in the IT suite. Good quality uniform available with donations supporting fundraising for school.

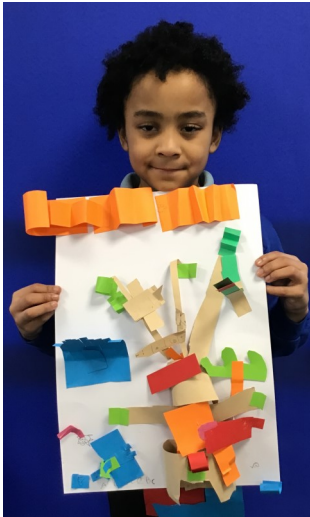
Parent Teacher Consultations Tuesday 25th and Thursday 27th February from 3.40– 6.30pm. Please sign up in the office entrance area or email /phone the office to make an appointment. There will be an opportunity to discuss your child's progress with their teacher and to see their books.

Planning ahead School swimming lessons in the summer term. Once again all our children in Year 1-Year 6 will have a course of 10 swimming lessons with instructors at Richmond School. This happens each year your child is in school.

In Class 1 we have really enjoyed creating our giant spider sculpture as part of our Art Work and inspired by the work of the sculptor Louise Bourgeois. In English we are working on traditional tales and in Geography we have been exploring Kenya.



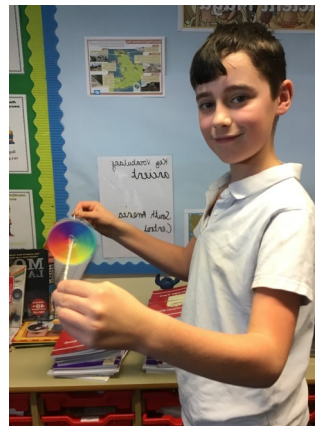
In Class 2 we have explored the story of The Three Little Pigs and linked this to our Science work on Materials. In Geography we are looking at life in Kenya and in Art we completed our 3D sculpture pictures focussing on the Tree of Life.



In Class 3 we have explored climate zones in India as part of our Geography. In Maths we continue to focus on learning Times Tables to x12 and on multiplication and division. In English we are writing our travel brochures to India. In PE we are working on Gymnastics and Hockey skills. Some our class represented our school in the Y3/4 Dodgeball competition at Richmond School.



In Class 4 we have been multiplying and dividing fractions and finding fractions of amounts. In English we have been researching the ancient Maya game of Pok-a-Tok. In Science we have studied Isaac Newton's colour spectrum. The girls have enjoyed a cricket taster session with a coach from Richmondshire County Cricket Club.



Date reminders for Class Assembly

- Class 4 Parental Assembly** 9.30am Thurs 6th March
- Class 1 Parental Assembly** 9.30am Thurs 13th March
- Class 3 Parental Assembly** 9.30am Thurs 20th March
- Class 2 Parental Assembly** 9.30am Thurs 27th March

Book Fair is back in school from Wed 26th Feb to Monday 3rd March, open after school. Our autumn term book fair raised £400 in commission for new books in our school library.

World Book Day 2025 Friday 7th March We will be celebrating our love of reading by dressing as a character from a book for the day. **Plan ahead for your costume.** It doesn't need to be complicated; lots of books have characters with very ordinary clothes.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

With my best wishes,

Nicola Dobson