



Dear Parents and Carers,

13<sup>th</sup> March 2020

**SWAN CLASS ASSEMBLY:** Well done to Swan Class for their entertaining assembly this morning. They told us many facts about their study of our reigning monarch, Queen Elizabeth II. This included a fascinating comparison between her and the Tudor Queen Elizabeth I. They sang songs, performed a march and showed us some brilliant artwork. My thanks go to Miss Chevis and Mrs Sullivan for all of their hard work with the class.

**RECEPTION ASSEMBLY:** Reception class treated us to a wonderful assembly yesterday. They have been studying the topic of bears and shared their learning with us. They showed us pictures, performed a story and sang some songs. Well done to the Reception team for such an enjoyable morning.

**CORONAVIRUS:** To minimise the risk of infection spreading in school we have brought in the following measures:

- Class Assemblies will only be performed to their parents and the other class in their year group
- There will be no whole school assemblies
- No more than one hundred children will have their school dinner at any one sitting
- Children will eat their packed lunches in their classrooms
- Children with temperatures and / or a new cough will be sent home

We will continue:

- 'Catch it, Bin it, Kill it' for coughs and sneezes
- Frequent and thorough hand washing with soap and water
- Frequent disinfecting of hard surfaces like door handles

We ask that you keep your child at home for seven days if they should develop a new cough or a high temperature, as per the guidance from the government. The Department for Education is in daily contact with the school and I will keep you updated of any developments. These are troubling times for us all, but I am sure that if we all work together, we can minimise the impact of this epidemic on our community. Thank you.

**Y4 PRODUCTION:** We have taken the decision to postpone the Y4 production planned to take place the week after next. I appreciate that this will be disappointing to Y4 parents and pupils alike but, as a school, we are stopping mass gatherings in order to minimise the risk of spreading the Coronavirus. I apologise for any inconvenience.

**ELEPHANT CLASS ASSEMBLY:** Unfortunately, Elephant Class assembly, planned for next Friday, is postponed. This is due to Miss Golden being absent. A new date will be organised on her return.

**FSU NEWS:** This week, Reception have focused on the story of Little Red Riding Hood. We were visited by the characters, who acted out the story (the teaching staff) and the children have had great fun in the role play area. We have also talked a lot about Little Red's choices and stranger danger. On Thursday, we performed our assembly to parents and we are very proud of how much the children were able to learn and how confident they were. **Unfortunately, next week's 'Activity Morning' has been cancelled in order to minimise the risk of spreading Coronavirus.** In Nursery we've had another great week reading more pirate stories on board the Ducklings Pirate Ship. We have been using instruments to help us learn the poem "Big Storm Coming" and we made some great pirate ship collages on top of our seascape monoprints. We have also been looking carefully at the shape and form of the treasure islands which we drew : we made them into real islands with sand and had to find the buried treasure using the original maps and working out where the real X spot would be. Next week, we will be reading stories about pants, so any spare (clean!) pants in all shapes, sizes and colours would be gratefully received. Thanks. K Rainer FS Leader

**DOUGHNUT FUNDRAISER:** On Tuesday, we held an extremely successful Krispy Kreme doughnut sale! We managed to sell all 480 doughnuts in a record 15 minutes! We have raised over £250 for the charity. Thank you to all who purchased a doughnut. We hope to hold another sale in the summer term to raise money for a different charity as this one was such a successful and popular event!

**IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK:**

- Mr Laurie attended an assessment briefing on Tuesday
- Mr Cox returned to school from his paternity leave on Wednesday
- The staff had a twilight training session (3.30 – 6.30pm) on ‘Making Sense of Behaviour’ from the Mulberry Bush on Wednesday
- The staff held a baby shower for Miss Ryczowski yesterday
- Mrs Hargreaves Hands attended a School Business Managers’ meeting this morning

**BOOK FAIR:** Travelling Books Book Fair will take place on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>, Friday 20<sup>th</sup>, Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March, in the library, after school until 3:30pm. Cash only please. The Book Fair flyers and the £1 World Book Day vouchers will be sent home early next week.

**ASSESSMENT WEEK:** Next week the children will be sitting assessments in Maths and English. The results will be shared with you at the upcoming parent’s evenings. Please note that Y6 and Y2 have already been assessed.

**ATTENDANCE:** The attendance for the school this week was 96.88%.

Bluebird: 96.50%	Yellow Wagtail: 99.00%
Red Kite: 93.33%	Puffin: 97.73%
Kingfisher: 93.20%	Swan: 95.38%
Flamingo: 98.52%	Giraffe: 98.89%
Lion: 94.44%	Eagle: 96.00%
Penguin: 98.33%	Leopard: 99.33%
Snowy Owl: 96.77%	Dolphin: 96.44%
Elephant: 98.46%	

The best class this week was Leopard class with 99.33% attendance, Well done Leopard class!

**FILM NIGHT:** I hope the children all enjoy the PTA Film Night after school today.

Have a good weekend

Mrs L Daulton



Headteacher