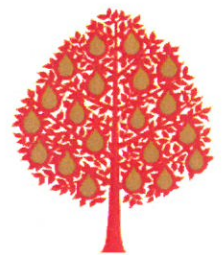




*'Be safe, be kind.
Listen and think a lot.
Be your best!'*



The Perryfield Post

Half way already!

I'm sure it has not escaped your notice that the half term break indicated that we are at the half way point of this academic year! The children have been working very hard in their classrooms and the themes have really captured their imaginations.

Some children in the foundation stage proudly showed me some challenging number work in the week. It was amazing to see just how much they had progressed since entering school in September. Not only had their fine motor skills developed considerably but also their understanding of numbers and how they work.

In Year 2 the children are all 'Magic and Mystery'. Last week they did a fantastic newspaper report on their focus book 'The Magic Finger'. All the children have also tried some magic tricks and written instructions. I know they are extremely excited about their year 2 trip.

The Year 1 theme is 'Over and Under' and the classes have been learning about under the ocean and flying to various countries. This week they have been learning all about Australia. The children were extremely interested in the poisonous spiders, native kangaroos and koalas.

By the end of the school year just think what your children will have accomplished!

A big thank you for supporting your children even further at home.

I have already received several completed homework questionnaires. I will shortly be analysing and collating these. Together with the teachers and governors we will see if there is a need to change or adapt how homework is allocated. Further details will then follow.

Please can all homework questionnaires be returned to school by Friday 10th March.



The Big Question

All our young children are remembering the 8 core values that we have in school. The understanding and discussions around these values are extremely important and chosen by the children, staff and parents and together create our whole school ethos. This half term we have

moved onto the core value—perseverance. In assemblies and lessons the children and staff have thought about times when they struggled with something but kept on trying and achieved their goal. We also discussed when we may have given up and quit an activity or

returned to it another time. We will be thinking about what we want to be when we grow up and what skills we will need to learn and develop. The Big Question this week is **What skills do you find hard and want to improve?**

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Dates for your diary..

- 7 Mar—Yr2 Gym competition
- 10 Mar—FIPS meeting 1.45-2.45pm
- 13 Mar—Science Week (details to follow)
- 24 Mar—FIPS Easter Disco
- 27 Mar— 4-6.30pm parents consultation
- 29 Mar—6-8.30pm parents consultation
- 31 Mar—9.15am Emerald Class assembly
- 31 Mar—Last Day—Easter holidays
- 17 Apr—Easter Monday bank holiday
- 18 Apr—non-pupil day
- 19 Apr—Children back to school
- 1 May—Bank Holiday
- 26 May—Ruby Class assembly 9.15am
- 26 May—Last Day Half Term
- 5 June—Non pupil day
- 7 June—Yr2 Mini Olympics
- 8 June—Whole School Trip (details to follow)
- 9 June—KS1 swimming starts



A few reminders.....

There are just a couple of things that I would like to remind you all about.

Upset Tummies—please can all parents/carers be extra vigilant in ensuring the children wash their hands carefully after using the toilets and before eating. Remember that children shouldn't be at school for 48hrs after the last episode of diarrhea.

World Book Day Thursday 2nd March

During this week of World Book Day teachers have been providing a book rich environment by organising stimulating activities. Activities included a book trail challenge, Springfield library visits, book mark making, 'drop everything and read time' and many more engaging learning experiences. Yesterday the

Next FIPS Meeting—Friday 10th March at 1.45-2.45 p.m. If you haven't been to a 'Friends of Perryfields' meeting before and you would like to find out more about it or would like to contribute to the wider school community, please come along. It is a chance to meet other parents and to help raise money for the school. There is plenty of room in the family room where pre-school children can come and play whilst we talk. Everyone is welcome.

children came into school dressed up as their favourite book character. Unfortunately I was at a headteachers meeting all day so missed this event but I was reliably informed by the class teachers that everyone looked fantastic. More photographs of this event will soon be on the school website.

World Book Day *Prizes*

Yesterday the teachers had the very difficult job in choosing one child from each class who had the most imaginative and creative World Book Day costumes. Congratulations to:

Riley E—Ruby Class

Madison M—Topaz Class

Stefan D—Emerald Class

Dylan M—Sapphire Class

* * —Diamond Class

Caius T—Pearl Class

Each winner today received

A FABULOUS BOOK!