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#### News

What a wonderful week we have had at Balby Central. We have celebrated World Book Day with an author online, giving us some amazing illustration tips. We created a range of fantastic 'book in a box' models at home and showcased them in school. We dressed like a word and had great fun guessing each others' words. Did anyone guess Mrs Cooke's word from her outfit?

This weekend our Choir are attending Don Valley for the Music for Youth festival - we will post an update next week.

# **World Book Day**

Well done to all children who brought in their designs for the World Book Day competition. It made choosing

winners incredibly difficult. Look at how amazing the day was.



Parents' evenings will take place on Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th March. The booking forms opened on Monday at 12pm. Please see the below dates that your child's class teacher will be available for appointments.

Tuesday 26th March

Wednesday 27th March

Emerald Sapphire Rainbow

Crimson - Mrs Hodgson Violet - Mr Short Ruby - Miss Giddings Indigo - Mrs Blundell Yellow - Miss Wales White - Miss Shaw Purple - Mr Smith Scarlet - Miss Bouttell Blue - Mr Butterfield Green - Mrs Hogarty Red - Miss Talbot Orange - Miss Henry

Miss Batten will be there to discuss any SEN needs on both evenings. Please ensure that you see her after your appointment if your child has an SEN plan or you have any SEN questions.











## **Attendance**

Class Attendance this Week:

Rainbow	92%	
Sapphire	97.3%	
Emerald	90.2%	
Purple	95%	
White	92.5%	
Crimson	90.6%	
Scarlet	93%	
Ruby	98%	
Violet	97%	
Blue	95.1%	
Indigo	96.6%	
Yellow	98.6%	
Green	94.3%	
Orange	94.6%	
Red	92.6%	

Whole School Attendance - 94.5% Children with 100% - 382

It's our Year 5 attendance incentive this month - children who achieve over 95% attendance in March will get to take part in pottery painting!

Make sure you are Here Everyday Ready and On time.

Remember our school day is as follows:

Gates open 8:35am Doors open 8:40am Gates close 8:50am You are late from 8:51am

Gates open 3:10pm Doors open 3:15pm Gates close 3:25pm



Please ensure that you are on time in a morning and when collecting your child (ren) at home time.

We have seen an increase in children being collected late after school, which has an impact on staff meetings, after school clubs running efficiently and children becoming upset when they have not been collected on





time.

# Things you need to know

Please see important upcoming events below - if you require any further information, please see your child's class teacher .

Whole School	Early Years	Year 1	Year 2
<b>Thursday</b> - No choir after school	<b>PE Day</b> - Friday	PE Day - Monday	<b>PE Day -</b> Tuesday
Saturday 9th March - Rainbow Connections Choir @ Don Valley 9.30 - 1pm	Parent Gardening Sessions Wednesday 13th March Session 1 - 9am-10am Session 2 - 1pm - 2pm		
Year 3 PE Day - Monday	<b>Year 4</b> <b>PE Day</b> - Friday	<b>Year 5 PE Day -</b> Thursday	Year 6 PE Day - Tuesday
i E Day - Worlday	Kingswood - Thursday and Friday.	Ukelele - Wednesday  Spelling Bee at Hill House for some children	Spelling Bee at Hill House for some children

#### **Parent Voice**



The Statement: I would like to be invited into school to celebrate my child's learning.

Number of responses: 137

You said: 79% of you would strongly agree or agree

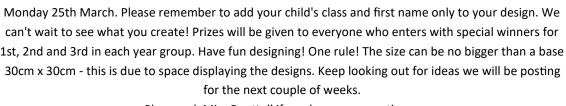
**We respond:** We are currently looking at when we could invite parents/carers to school to celebrate their children's work. Watch this space for further developments.

# Easter Egg Challenge - reminder

Easter Egg Challenge. This year our challenge will be 'You in an Eggshell'. We would like you to create an Easter themed egg design which should showcase anything that is about you or is important to you - this could be what you enjoy doing, about your family, your culture, what

traditions are important to you, hobbies, your favourite clothes, places you like to visit, foods like you to eat. Your design should tell us something about 'You in an eggshell' - we can't wait to see your designs!

We will showcase these during the parents' evenings so all designs will need to be in school by the end of the day on



Please ask Miss Bouttell if you have any questions.



#### **Assemblies this Week**

#### **Picture News**

Across the UK and Ireland, the charity, World Book Day, will be holding its annual celebration on Thursday 7th March and this year's campaign, 'Read Your Way'.

Talk to your child: How do you think World Book Day

should be celebrated?

Further discussions were held about National Careers
Week and children stated people that they would like to
talk to about different career, for example, train driver,
police, business owners

# **Safeguarding Assembly**

After our third week of online safety videos why don't you sit with your child and check what they are accessing online.

**Talk to your child:** Maybe look at parental controls or write a set of rules together that help them keep safe.

### **Safeguarding**

This week our safeguarding link leads to the PACE website which provides lots of information about exploitation, signs to watch out for and a support line number if you need further support.



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#### A Tree-ific Donation

We were successful in our application to secure trees for our school. We were granted an orchard made up of apple, pear and cherry trees, a willow dome and a hedgerow. The council's countryside and woodland ranger team came out to plant the trees and invited some of our children to help plant these in our forest school area. The children are very excited and can't wait to start using the willow dome as it grows.







#### **Donation from Tesco**

We are lucky to have so many links with external companies to help us to help you. This week we have been fortunate enough to receive a shoe bundle from Sarah Cuff at Tesco (Tesco Doncaster in the Community). Thank you Sarah and Tesco, we are very grateful.





# CU AT THE SCIENCE FAIR

FRIDAY 5TH APRIL 2024 | 10AM - 2PM

DONCASTER COLLEGE, THE HUB, CHAPPELL DRIVE DN1 2RF

**FREE FAMILY EVENT** 

Join us to learn all about TIME in our hands-on interactive science extravaganza.

- Science Experiments
- Crafts
- Competitions
- Make a journey stick with Doncaster Forest School
- And much more!

Collect your CU credits for each activity!



