

Lingfield Primary School

Newsletter

World Book Day

Thank you for all your support with our Books Rock! competition for World Book Day.

We had some amazing entries and it was so hard to choose the winners. However, after much deliberation, the following entries won a fabulous book prize.

Nursery - The Very Hungry Caterpillar from Keller Tuttill

Reception - The Highway Rat from Tommy Tye

Year 1 - The Tiger from Will McKeown

Year 2 - BB-8 from Sofia Bello

Year 3 - The Lady and the Tramp from Annabelle Merritt

Year 4 - The Gruffalo from Charlotte Bradley and Larissa Armstrong

Year 5 - The Paper Dolls from Minnie Clark

Year 6 - The Wizard from Ava Loughran

The rocks are on display outside school and we are hoping they won't be washed away.

Leave of Absence Requests

We are receiving a number of leave of absence requests from families wishing to go on holiday. Please can all requests be submitted to school no later than four weeks before the leave is required., this then allows school to follow the correct procedures. Each request is considered on its own merit, however, as Head I can only authorise an absence which falls under being 'an exceptional circumstance.'

An Exceptional Circumstance typically falls within one for the categories below,

- If a parent is service personnel and is returning from a tour of duty abroad where it is evidenced the individual will not be in receipt of any leave in the near future that coincides with school holidays.
- Where an absence from school is recommended by a health professional as part of a parent or child's rehabilitation from a medical or emotional issue.
- The death or terminal illness of a close relative.
- Out of school programmes such as music, arts or sport operating at a high standard of achievement. Documentary evidence of this event will be required.
- Religious observance – The Education Act 1996 S444(3) (c), states "on any day exclusively set apart for religious observance by the religious body to which his/her parent belongs".
- To attend a wedding or funeral of a close relative, please note, authorising attendance at weddings does not necessarily include attending weddings abroad which involve extended periods of time away absent from school.

School Trips

Next week Year 2 will be visiting Bolton Castle for the day, this is a brilliant venue which fits in really nicely with current areas of learning. It is very welcome that we are able to organise trips again, something that has been missed over recent years.

Save the Children

Yesterday we sent out details regarding our fundraising campaign for Save The Children. The option to make a donation will stay open until next Friday, which happens to be the day of Comic Relief. This year we will not be fundraising for Comic Relief due to our decision to support families impacted upon by the situation in Ukraine.

School Photo's

Just a quick reminder.....

On the Wednesday 4th May Tempest will be returning to school to take whole class photographs, something we have not been able to offer in recent years.

Dates for the Diary

- Friday 11th March Science week begins
- Friday 8th April Break up for Easter
- Monday 25th April Return from Easter Break
- Wednesday 4th May Class Photos
- Thursday 26th May Break up for Half Term
- **Friday 27th May** **Queens Jubilee Bank Holiday**
- Monday 6th June PD Day
- Tuesday 7th June Return to school after Half Term
- Friday 22nd July End of School Year
- Monday 25th July PD Day

Have a great weekend,
Phil Thackstone
Head Teacher