

Fairtrade Fortnight and House Days

At the end of January Mrs Brook and four representatives from Year 5 and Year 6 attended the annual Fairtrade Conference in Douglas. Fairtrade Fortnight begins on 26th February and our representatives will be leading an assembly and activities that will develop our understanding of Fairtrade. We have decided to combine our Fairtrade work with our fund raising house days. Therefore, during Fairtrade week Green and Blue Houses will be helping to organise the events. There will be a dress in Fairtrade colours day on Friday, 9th March, a Fairtrade tuck shop, a fair-trade bake off and raffle for a fairtrade hamper. Please see the accompanying letter for details. Later in the year Yellow and Red Houses will be liaising with the fairtrade team to plan a challenge day. Profits from both days will be split between the school charity and fairtrade.

48 Hour Rule

Please remember to observe the 48 hour rule if your child has been vomiting or had diarrhoea (upset stomach). Children should not be brought to school until 48 hours after their last bout.

World Book Day - Thursday, 1st March

We will be celebrating World Book Day. Therefore, on 1st March the children may come to school dressed as a book character. We are aware this is during our Fairtrade Fortnight celebrations and, therefore, there will be no charge for this. It is just for fun! We also want to encourage the children to read books or authors they haven't read before. Therefore, we are holding a book swap. Each class will set up a "Swap Box." We are asking each child to bring in a book (in good condition) that they have enjoyed but no longer want. They will then share with the class why it is a good read. All books will be put in the swap box and each child will then choose a new book to take home. The staff will be doing this too and will have a swap box in the staffroom!

Road Safety

Please can I remind parents, once again, that Mikey the lollipop man is there to assist people to cross the road and the fact that we have a patrol officer does not take the place of parental responsibility. Mikey cannot watch over children playing near the road whilst he is controlling traffic and crossing pedestrians. It is parents' responsibility to supervise your children once they are dismissed from school so please ensure that children, particularly small children, do not leave the school grounds without supervision.

Headlice

Please be vigilant in checking the whole family's hair for these unwelcome visitors.

Christmas cards and stamps

Thank you for donating your Christmas cards for recycling and your stamps for the Leprosy Mission. We had a visit from the Leprosy Mission representative this week and we are all keen to continue to support their work so our stamp collection will continue all year. The box is outside the school office.

Year 3/4 Northern Hockey Festival

A team took part in this inter-school tournament. They were fantastic ambassadors for our school and had a great time, despite the cold weather! Thanks to Mrs McGeehan for accompanying them and to all the parents who went along to support.

Sad news

As many of you will know, Mr Brian Pimm-Smith, one of our community governors, sadly died just before half term. He was a regular visitor to school and enjoyed coming in to hear the children read. The staff, pupils and governors all agree that he will be greatly missed. He was an enthusiastic and supportive member of our community. We send our condolences to his family.

Dates:

Scholastic Book Fair - Week beginning 26th February

Fairtrade assembly (Year 5 and 6) - Monday, 26th February at 3.00pm

Mrs Cottier's Class Assembly - Wednesday, 28th February at 3.15pm

World Book Day - Thursday, 1st March (Come as a book character)

Mrs Nelson/Mrs Pearce's Class Assembly - Wednesday, 7th March at 3.15pm

Mrs Hawkin's Class Assembly - Wednesday, 7th March at 3.15pm
Please note this has been postponed. It will now take place on Wednesday, 25th April. We apologise for any inconvenience.

Dress down day, wear Fairtrade colours (green, blue and black) - Friday, 9th March

Year 5 and 6 - Cycling Proficiency Week beginning 12th March

Parents' Evening - Tuesday, 13th March 4-7pm

Parents' Evening - Thursday, 15th March 4-5.30pm

Public Speaking Competition (Juniors) - Wk beginning 26th March

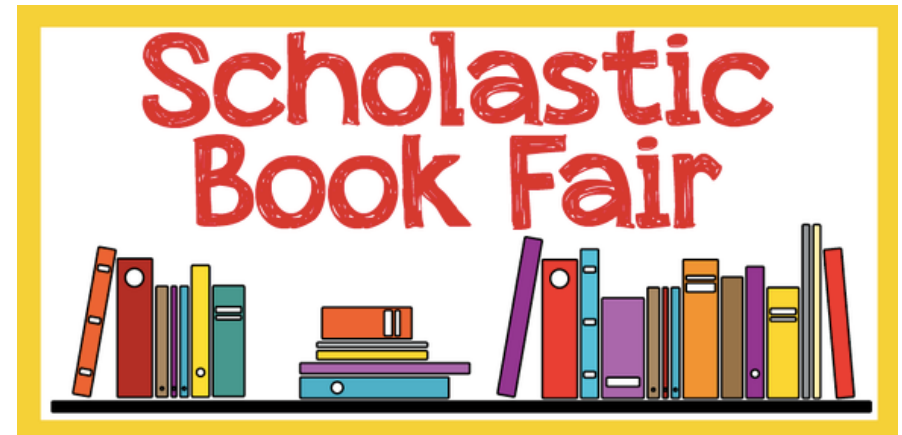
Non-uniform Day for School Charity - Thursday, 29th March

Break Up - Thursday, 29th March

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Book Fair!

We are holding our annual book fair during the week beginning the 26th February.

Please come in after school to browse and purchase books. We will be open until 4.15pm each day, apart from Wednesday. Some books will be in stock and will be given to the children on Monday, 5th March. Some will need to be ordered and will follow in a couple of weeks. Please browse the accompanying leaflet to get an idea of what will be available. We look forward to seeing you when you come to place your order.