



## Aslacton Primary School - Newsletter Friday 1st March 2019

### This term our Core Value is: Creative

Owl Class have been reading their new core story and looking everyday superheroes. Kestrels This week Kestrels have started their new topic on robots by carrying out research on the different types you can get. They have also taken part in lots of drama activities based on our core story, The Robot and the Bluebird. Eagles have been learning how to multiply and simplify fractions. We have been correcting double negatives in English grammar, and in R.E we have been discussing the philosophy of 'Karma' in Buddhist religion.

#### Internet Safety

Some of you may be aware of 'Momo', a series of scary videos encouraging children to carry out actions that are unsafe and potentially very damaging. These video clips have been reported within local and national media, appearing as adverts during YouTube videos that are age appropriate for primary children. There are currently a number of articles relating to Momo on the EDP website and advice on the BBC website. Another useful link with support to parents is National Online Safety website - <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/resources/platform-guides/momo-online-safety-guide-for-parents/> We would like to reassure parents that the use of YouTube in school is limited to whole class clips, monitored by the staff, that are shown for educational purposes, and that children do not access this site individually using the ipads. We teach online safety as part of our Computing curriculum. We have reminded children of our stay safe internet rules in a manner appropriate to their age and that if they see anything that worries them they must tell an adult. Please can we ask you to be vigilant with their access to the internet at home also.

#### World Book Day

Next Thursday (7th) is World Book Day and Professors Sprout, McGonagall and Snape are looking forward to welcoming a school of excitable witches and wizards to join them for a magical day of lessons! Please ensure that children are warm enough in their costumes (one lesson will be spent outside) and that they are able to remove parts of their costumes if they become uncomfortable.

There will be no parent reader session in Owl class on World Book Day.

#### Upcoming Dates:

##### World Book Day

Thursday March 7th - Harry Potter theme

##### Whole School Cathedral Trip

Friday March 8th

##### Comic Relief

Friday 15th March - wear something red for a donation to the charity.

##### Kesrel Learning Café

Wednesday 20th March 9am

##### Non-uniform day

Friday 29th March

Bring a donation of something chocolatey (Easter egg, chocolate bars) for a chocolate tombola (5th April) in aid of the Friends. More details to follow nearer the time.

##### Assessment meeting

Year 2 and 6 parents will be invited to meetings to hear about testing and reporting arrangements for end of Key Stage tests. Times and venues TBC.

##### Easter Service at Church

Friday 5th April at 9.15am. All welcome.

#### Birthday Collective Worship To be held on Friday 15th March 2019

We will celebrate all birthdays which fall between Sunday 3rd March and Saturday 16th March.

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## Clubs

Clubs begin on Monday. (4th) There are still a few spaces in some clubs, please see the office if you would like to sign up. Everyone who has asked for a place already has been given one at their chosen club.

## Reading Challenge

Don't forget to complete and return your reading challenges as soon as you can.

## Cathedral Trip

The whole school is going to the Cathedral next Friday (8th). If you have not returned your slip, please do so by Monday. Please remember your home pack lunches if required and a warm coat and drink bottle.

Whilst we are at the Cathedral the school office will not be manned. You can leave a message on the answer machine throughout the day which we will check on our return, but if you need to contact us urgently, please ring Manor Field school office on 01508 530356, and they will be able to make direct contact with us.

There will be no Family Friday, Cake Friday or Birthday Collective Worship. We will celebrate next week's birthdays on Friday 15th.

## Philosophy for Children

This week, our philosophy question is: *Is it better to be a little bit happy all of the time, or really happy some of the time*

## Cake Friday

The winner of this week's cake Oliver.

There is no Cake Friday next week due to the cathedral trip.

## New play equipment for Tibenham Community Hall

A project is underway with the aim of providing new play / park and outdoor gym equipment for outside Tibenham Community Hall. The aim is to provide something for all ages; from infants to adults. This would obviously be a really positive thing to have for Tibenham, and the surrounding villages. For anybody interested in finding out more, please pop along to the next informal Tibenham cafe on Saturday 30th March at the Community Hall 11am-2pm. There will be a display of the types of equipment we are looking at providing, and people involved in the project on hand to chat to.

## Attendance:

Owl Class: 92.31%

Kestrel Class: 95.83%

Eagle Class: 98%

Overall: 95.38%

If your child is unwell and unable to be in school, please ensure that you phone and leave a message to inform us before 9.30am. Absences not accounted for after this time will be recorded as unauthorised.

## Headteacher's Award

Mia for working well with others and being kind and caring.

Lucas for kindness to others.

Rubi-Lu for showing a good attitude to learning.