



Dates for your diary

Please see the 'Calendar' page on our website for a full list of upcoming events.

Wednesday 14th March - 3V Class Assembly

Wednesday 14th March - Hot Dog & DVD Night

Wednesday 21st - Friday 23rd March - Malvern Residential Y5

Monday 26th March 2pm - Bake Off Afternoon Tea

Wednesday 28th March - Swimming Gala

Wednesday 28th March - Walk-in Wednesday (Stay & Play for Reception)

Thursday 30th March - End of Spring 1

Monday 16th April - Start of Spring 2

Attendance

We are always trying to improve our attendance as a school, and we have recently brought in a new reward. If a class has 100% for an entire week, they are allowed to come for a day in non-uniform. Well done to:

3F & 2D

Snow Days

I would just like to thank everyone for their patience and understanding last Thursday when it was necessary to close the school early. This is always a difficult decision to make and not one that is ever made lightly.

We took into account the information we were receiving from the Local Authority as well as considering the Health and Safety of all children and staff. In situations such as this we will always inform parents/carers of decisions we are making via text and our website. The new app for our website also allows us to send news alerts and I know many parents have already downloaded it. Details of school closures can also be found on the Worcestershire County Council website.

Thank you,

Mrs Roberts

Poetry Recital Competition

Forget the Oscars - we've got the 'Poscars'!

What an incredible afternoon we had, enjoying the Swan Lane Poetry Oscars. Each class was given a poem with a wintry theme to learn 'by heart'. The class performances were enjoyed by all, especially the judges, Mrs. Roberts and one of our governors, Mrs Magowan. Some classes included actions and a little drama to enhance the effect. Well done to all the children for learning the poems and particular congratulations to the winners, 2D and 4M.



Maths Day

As part of our Maths Day on Monday 5th February, we were fortunate enough to have Subject Revolution come in to work with Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. The children were set various challenges during their time in the hall- from weighing objects to programming a robot's movements! The children had a fantastic time practicing lots of different



maths skills and thoroughly enjoyed the day.

Mr. Kent

Year 5 Mosque Visit

The children in year five had a really interesting morning in Redditch, visiting the Central Mosque. This visit supported the work we have been doing on Islam. We were introduced to the building, and people who work there, by a lady who had helped us with



workshops at Swan Lane in previous years. This marvellous opportunity really helped us experience the atmosphere and religious rituals in the mosque. We

learnt about the call to prayer, each stage of prayer and about the outreach work done by staff there to support the wider community. We thank the staff there for their welcoming and informative morning.

Mr Batts

Contact Details

Please make sure you let the office know of any changes to your contact details otherwise you will not receive text alerts for important notices. Thank you.

Safeguarding

Google have launched an excellent new resource to help children learn to be safe online. If you search for 'Be Internet Awesome', children are then guided to explore 'Interland' with interactive games and videos to help teach them about how to negotiate the internet safely.

World Book Week

The children looked fantastic dressed as book characters for Swan Lane's World Book Day. It always amazes us to see how creative parents and carers can be when planning and making the costumes. We had a huge range of literary characters. Judging for the most creative costume was incredibly difficult, as such a lot of effort had been made by everyone. The winners won a book and the overall winners also won a book token. Thank you to all parents and carers who supported Swan Lane by visiting the Scholastic Book Fair.



During the week, there were many other exciting reading activities: older and younger children were given opportunities to share books with each other and also teachers swapped classes to read a favourite story. There was also a bookmark competition, allowing the children to get really creative. Our storyteller visit, scheduled for Friday, was postponed because of the inclement weather but this will be rearranged over the coming weeks.

