



King's Hall School
TAUNTON



Pelican News



4 March 2022

This week has been a whirlwind of celebrations as we have commemorated St David's Day, Pancake Day, World Book Day and the meteorological start of Spring! We have been trying to follow the teachings of St David by doing the little things in life as we know that collectively they can make a big difference to the community we live in. It has been lovely to see so many examples of this throughout the week such as a Year 2 child making room for a Reception child to sit down in Early Morning Club, a Nursery child wiping the rain water off of the bike seat so their friend wouldn't get a soggy bottom and a Year 1 child encouraging their friend to "*just try their hardest*" during a game they were playing among many examples witnessed. I do hope some of these small acts of kindness have extended to the children's homes, too.

Our traditional Great Pancake Day Race was met with much enthusiasm as every child in Pre-Prep took their turn at transporting their pancake from one end of the Pre-Prep terrace to the other on Tuesday morning. Nursery and Reception had the challenge of keeping it on their pan while Year 1 had to include one pancake flip and Year 2 had to include two! It was quite a spectacle to watch pancakes flying in all directions as many misjudged the force required to produce the ultimate pancake flip but it was all in the name of fun and tradition and certainly added to the Pre-Prep memory bank. Other highlights included Snoops trying to scoff the pancakes and the teachers' race which saw this week's Ambassador declaring they had to complete four pancake flips before reaching the finishing line!

The children fully embraced our World Book Day celebrations which were especially important to them given they had decided how we should mark the occasion; I think many of them thought it quite funny that teachers were wearing their pyjamas to school because of them! We also saw some super book character costumes and all enjoyed sharing lots of story book snuggles in our classrooms complemented by a warming cup of hot chocolate and marshmallows. Please do pop in to see the classroom doors which have been transformed into favourite book covers; they look amazing! Thank you to Mrs Lowery for planting some mystery books around Pre-Prep for us to find and enjoy as well as for organising the cardboard tube book character competition which seems to have been quite a hit across the school.

A special mention must also be given to the Year 1 team for their fabulous assembly on Tuesday where they performed a delightful retelling of *The Three Little Pigs*.

What a busy week!

Maths and Science Week

Next week is looking no less busy as we continue our celebrations but this time turning our attention to all things Maths and Science. Hopefully, you saw the advanced warning in last week's newsletter that the children are invited to come to school on Monday wearing a Maths/Science inspired costume which will mark the first thing on our menu for the week.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, children will take part in some Maths/Science challenges and activities.

On Thursday, children are invited to enter a Maths/Science joke competition. The joke should be written down (along with the child's name) and given to their class teacher. These will then be judged and the winner/s announced in our assembly on Friday.

On Friday, parents are welcome to join us from drop-off to take part in some maths games and science activities in their child's class before joining us at our special assembly to conclude the week. It is estimated the assembly will be finished by approximately 10am.

Biennial Pre-Prep Questionnaire

You will hopefully have received an email recently asking you to take a few minutes to complete a questionnaire about Pre-Prep which we send out every two years. We hope as many of you as possible will find the time to complete it as it really does help us when planning for future development; the deadline for completion is **Friday 11 March**. The comments are particularly useful in helping us pinpoint what are perceived as strengths and what is felt are areas for further improvement.

Year 1 and 2 Parent-Teacher Meetings

Parent-Teacher meetings for children in Years 1 and 2 are due to take place as follows:

Year 1: Monday 21 March between **3.30pm and 6.00pm**

Year 2: Monday 21 March and **Thursday 24 March** between **3.30pm and 6.00pm** (Mrs Gray will offer some appointments on the Monday and Mrs Kittow will offer some appointments on the Thursday)

Please sign up for an appointment on the sheets which will be displayed on the classroom doors next week.

Lunch Menu

Week 3

Merits and Achievements

Congratulations to the following children who have Reached for the Stars and achieved their

***Bronze Award:** Elliott, Gabriel, Leila, Luther, Ophelia, Thanos and Thea*

Reception K: Archie, Belle, Otto and Wilfred

Year 1K: Cooper and Theo

Year 1H: Christopher and Rafaella

Year 2G: Mya, Pixie and Tristan

Pre-Prep Ambassador: Liberti

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Claire Luckhurst

Pelican Gallery

















