

MARTIN FROBISHER INFANT SCHOOL Newsletter 20 Friday 23rd February

This first week back has flown by. Children in Key Stage 1 has a surprise delivery to their classrooms at the start of the week and have since been historians trying to find out where these items might have come from. Children in Foundation stage have gone further back in history and started their Mad About Dinosaurs theme.

World Book Day – We all love books

As previously shared, we're not asking children to get dressed up on World Book Day this year. We want to keep the focus on the love of reading and ask that children bring in their favourite book to share with their friends.

Also during the week running up to World Book Day, we would like to invite parents, grandparents, aunties and uncles into school as 'Secret Readers'. This would be to read the end of day story to children. Bring along your favourite children's book to share. If you are available to read an end of day story (2.45pm) on any day week beginning Monday 4th March please email headteacher@martinfrobisher.wakefield.sch.uk with the date you would be available or catch me around school. Thank you to those who have already volunteered. Please don't tell the children so it is a surprise when you arrive in their classroom.

Book Fair

The Travelling Book Fair will be in school week commencing 18th March until 21st March. Parents will be able to visit the book fair with their child/ren on any of the days after school. Payments can be made in cash or by card.

Dolphin and Turtle Class Assemblies

Dolphin class assembly will take place on Tuesday 26th March and Turtle class assembly on Thursday 28th March. Tickets are not required for these assemblies. The children look forward to sharing with you what they have been learning in school.

Parent/Teacher Consultations

Parent/Teacher consultations will take place on Tuesday 9th April and Wednesday 10th April. Details will be sent out when you can book a timeslot to talk with your child's class teacher through Parentmail shortly.

Dressing up clothes

If you have any dressing up outfits children have grown out of or no longer use we would appreciate it if you would donate them to school. As the weather is improving, we want to use our fantastic forest performance area more and dressing up outfits would greatly enhance the children's play.

FOMFIS (Friends of Martin Frobisher Infant School)

FOMFIS have planned a range of events for this half term these include:

18th March – Decorate an egg competition. Children can decorate an individual egg or create a scene with an egg. A prize for the best egg in each class. Please remember to hard boil them first! **22nd March** – Easter Bonnet Parade in school. A prize for each class and an overall prize for the best boy and girl bonnet.

Thank you to everyone who has already sent in chocolate towards the chocolate hampers. Many of you have said you will be getting yours with your shopping this weekend so please hand in to your child's class teacher then FOMFIS members can get busy putting the hampers together. Additional raffle tickets will be available to purchase soon.

FOMFIS have a fantastic Facebook page where they share all the events they plan and school updates. Search for FOMFIS on Facebook and take a look.

Attendance

Overall attendance this week has been 94.4%

Well done to all our attendance heroes this week who were Here Everyday Ready and On time. 78% of children in main school have had 100% attendance.

A reminder that holidays taken during term time will not be authorised and the Local Authority will issue a penalty notice. This is currently £60 per parent per child.

Notifications from the Family Hubs and other agencies

Wonderful world of learning - creativity challenge

Is your child in Reception or Key Stage 1? As part of <u>Our Year</u> and <u>Wakefield Attendance Strategy</u>, we want to celebrate the talents of all our students and harness their creativity. Giving students the chance to express what they love about where they learn through drawing or writing.

Let your creativity shine and share your wonderful world of learning.

Where do you learn? What makes that place special? Is it the teachers, your friends? What do you love learning about most? What is your favourite way to learn?

Winning entries will become a wonderful world of learning summer discovery trail for everyone to see why young people love attending their place of learning. Posters of the winning drawings will appear around Wakefield. Scan the QR codes on the posters to find the winning rap and poems. All winner and runner-up entries will be made into a booklet too.

How to take part

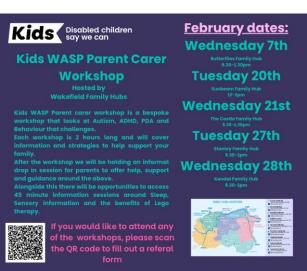
1. Choose your medium

Drawing: grab your pencils, crayons or digital tool. Create an artwork that reflects what you love about going to school. Entries should be A3.

Poem or rap: use the magic of words, rhythm and rhyme to capture the essence of your school experience. Entries should be A4.

If you would like to take part, please return your child's entry to school by Wednesday 6th March.







If you are pregnant and would like information on feeding your new baby then you can book a place for yourself and partner or birth partner. Places are limited. To book please call 0300 373 0944 Workshops are offered at the following family hubs.

Each session is 10am -12pm

21st February at Kendall Drive Family Hub WF10 3SP
20th March at Cedars Family Hub WF9 4PU
19th April at Sunbeam Family Hub WF2 8RH
14th May at Pomfret Family Hub WF8 2DE
27th June at Oakhill Family Hub WF7 5NF
19th July at Castle Family Hub WF1 5NU
22nd August at Butterflies Family Hub WF6 1BB
18th September at Cedars Family Hub WF9 4PU
15th October at Sunbeam Family Hub WF2 8RH
15th November at Kendal Drive Family Hub WF10 3SP
5th December at Oakhill Family Hub WF7 5NF

This session is delivered by the infant feeding team and will include all information for parents to be as part of the UNICEF Baby Friendly Initiative.

<u>Dates – Further details will follow nearer to specific dates</u>

27.02,24 - Dolphins Class Assembly 9.15am

29 02 24 – Turtle Class Assembly 9.15am

07 03 24 – World Book Day – Bring your favourite book

14 03 24 – Curriculum Exhibition for Parents

15 02 24 – Comic Relief – Wear red and tell your funniest joke.

21 03 24 – Key Stage 1 Easter Service at St. Mary's Church 10am

22 03 24 Easter Bonnet Parade – Morning Nursery 11am Afternoon nursery and main school 1.30pm 22 03 24 – School closes

08 04 24 – School opens

16 05 24 - Jellyfish Class Assembly 9.15am

20 05 24 - Reading Café for parents of children in Year 1. Phonics screening check focus. - 2.15pm

24 05 24 - School closes

03 06 23 - School opens

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10 06 24 - Reading Café for parents of children in Reception. - 2.15pm

12 06 24– Reading Café for parents of children in Year 2. – 2.15pm

27 06 24 - Rainbowfish Class Assembly 9.15am

04 07 24 - Curriculum Exhibition for Parents

18 07 24 – Leavers Assembly 2pm Followed by Leavers Festival until 5.30pm

19 07 24 – School closes

22 07 24 - INSET - school closed to children

Inset Days

We have already taken 4 of our 5 Inset days for the year. The remaining date is Monday 22nd July

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs L Carter.

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads: Mrs R Adams, Mrs K Broadhead, Miss G Moxon Miss L Wilson If you are worried a child is at risk of harm please contact either of the above or: Social Care Direct on 0345 8503503