

William Gilpin CE VA Primary School

Newsletter 18-03-16

End of another term

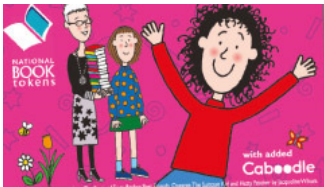
I find it quite remarkable that we are, once again, rapidly approaching the end of term. The spring term is always fast paced, especially when the Easter break comes so early. The children have worked very hard and we are beginning to see some really great improvements in the quality of our children's written work and we hope they are beginning to feel increasingly proud of their own improvements.

Due to Good Friday we break up next Thursday at 3:10pm so there will not be a newsletter next week. We invite all parents and family members who would like to, to join us for our Easter Service at St John's Church Boldre at 9am on the Thursday morning led by Rev Andrew Neaum.

Your Views

It is really important to me that our parents feel a real part of the school and as such we have sought your views in a variety of ways this term. I would like to thank all those of you that have supported our curriculum and information sessions, parents' forums or returned your questionnaires. Increasingly, more and more of you are engaging with us and sharing your views. Whilst I know some times the cogs of change do move slowly, please be assured that we do take on board and seriously consider all your views.

Design a Book Token Competition



National Book Tokens, in conjunction with World Book Day, are holding a competition for children of all ages to design a national book token. Our children would fit into either the 'up to 8 years' or '9-12 years' categories. Details of the competition and an entry form can be downloaded from: <http://www.worldbookday.com/competitions/token/>

The children were all given a template last week and are invited to produce their designs over the Easter holidays. The design should be their own work and returned to school by **Monday 11th April** at the latest with their full name and age written on the back.

The first prize for each category is; £250 National Book Tokens for the school, £100 National Book Tokens for the child and £100 National Book Tokens for the teacher.

Three runners-up will receive £150 National Book Tokens for the school, £50 book tokens for the child and £50 National Book Tokens for the teacher.

Focus Christian Value
Forgiveness



Important Dates:

March

- Fri 18th** Sport Relief day
Class 1 Worship 2:40pm
Class 1 Cake Sale 3:10pm
Second Hand Uniform Sale
- Tues 22nd** Class 3 Listen to Me
Concert 1:30pm
- Wed 23rd** No Family Worship
Yr R Parents Consultations
5:30 - 7pm
- Thurs 24th** Service at St Johns Boldre
at **9:00am**
END OF TERM ~ 3:10pm

**Summer Term starts
Monday 11th April**

Other Dates:

April

Thurs 21st FroWGS Meeting 7:30pm

May

W.b. 9th Year 6 SATs week

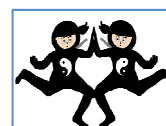
Reports

All children in Y1 - Y6 received their annual school report last week. In order to confirm that you have received the report, please could you return the slip on the accompanying letter to the school office as soon as possible.

Question of the week...?

Who has authority?

Why is authority necessary?



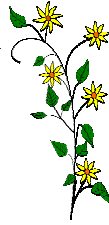
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'The greatest oak was once an acorn that held its ground'.

Forgiveness, Kindness, Belief

Green Fingerted Volunteers needed

Do you have green fingers? We would like to set up a gardening club during a lunchtime to make better use of our school garden. If you would be interested in helping with this, please let us know.



If you didn't want to commit to running a club but could come and help your class occasionally with keeping their class flower bed in order, this would be really helpful. Please speak to the class teacher.

Sainsbury's Vouchers

Sainsbury's



Please can we have your Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers. The more we collect, the more free sports and cooking equipment we can choose. There is a collection box in the office. Thank you!

Homes for Hampshire Children Information Event

Find out more about adoption and fostering - Saturday 2 April 9.30am-1.30pm at the Winchester Discovery Centre, Jewry Street, Winchester.

Sport Relief

We are participating in Sport Relief again this year with some sporty activities today. For a donation of £1 the children have come to school dressed for sporting activity! If you forgot the £1 today we can still accept it on Monday - every penny helps the various charities that Sport Relief supports.



Sat 21st Summer Fete 11am-3pm
W.b. 23rd Curriculum Week - Africa
W.b. 30th Half Term

July

Wed 20th **END OF TERM ~ 3:10pm**

Diary dates can also be found on the school website.

All Seasons & Seedlings Children's Centres - Easter activities

Easter Story Time on the Bus - Outside Lymington Library on Thursday 31st March 9.30-11.30am and Thursday 7th April 9.30-11.30am

Easter Fun on Tuesday 5th April 10-11.30am at Woodside Gardens. Easter crafts, messy play, face painting and lots of fun for the under 5's (cancelled if pouring with rain)

Messy Play Session on Friday 8th April 10-11.30 am at the Phoenix Children's Centre.

Easter Holiday Activities

Don't forget to book activities for the Easter holidays at Priestlands. For details see last week's newsletter or the poster on the playground notice board.

