

Great Whelnetham Primary Newsletter



March 2020



THE GREAT WHELNETHAM RAIN FOREST!

Thank you so much to all parents, staff and children who helped us create our amazing 3D rainforest which now runs



along the whole corridor as you enter the school. The quality of this art work is astoundingly high– we are so proud...this is just the beginning of what the school will achieve with staff, parents and children working together. Thank you everyone for your donations of ice cream tubs and newspapers – as you can see they were put to good use!



If you haven't seen it yet please pop in and take a look- we are sure your children would like to show you the part they created!



PLAY EQUIPMENT ON FIELD UPDATE!

We would like to say an enormous thank you to the Friends of School (PTFA) who have funded some new play equipment to be installed on our playing field. It will be installed in the week beginning 16th of March.

We will post photos to show you what this looks like and the children will be able to use this 48 hours after installation! We can't wait.

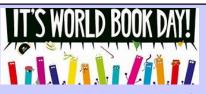
THANKS TO OUR FRIENDS OF SCHOOL!



The sponsored run was an amazing success! We were lucky that the weather was kind. All the children ran and there was a fantastic buzz with everyone cheering every else on. The Bury Free Press photographer stayed for about an hour and took some photos. We finished at the end of the day with the prize giving for most laps and best effort for each class. Unbelievably the children raised £781 from the run so far with more money still to collect. So as you can imagine Mrs Masson was a little emotional!! She would like to thank everyone for their enormous generous support.



Great Whelnetham Primary- part of All Saints Schools Trust



We look forward to seeing the book characters the children will be representing

on World Book day, as well as staff! As usual the children will receive £1 book tokens which we urge them to spend at the book fair. Not only this, we will be celebrating and promoting the value of reading all through the week. There will be prizes for the best dioramas showing the worlds of well loved books, and for those who can determine titles from selected lines from books. Assemblies with staff sharing their favourite books, the opportunity for classes to contribute a school wide story and books at bedtime to finish each day.

EXPERIENCE EASTER

During the week of 23rd March, classes will be visiting the church to learn

about the significance of Easter via six stations representing events in the life of Jesus. The children will be creating crafts towards the experience and parents and carers are welcome to join in, or to visit the church afterwards to see the displays. Please ask your child's teacher for details if you would like to come.





Bikeability will take place for Year 5 pupils on Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th of March. Bikeability is today's cycle training programme. It's about gaining practical skills and understanding how to cycle on today's roads. Bikeability gives everyone the skills and confidence for all kinds of cycling.



We are really pleased to be taking Kingfishers and Owls to the 2020 School Farm and Country Fair which takes place on Thursday 23 April at Trinity Park.

All activities are designed to educate children on the importance of agriculture to Suffolk, role of farming in delivering food to our tables and role wildlife and conservation play in building thriving countryside. All activities are linked to the National Curriculum and core subjects, such as Maths, science, English, history, geography, art & design etc. The school groups will go through a variety of interactive zones where pupils will be able to participate in a wide variety of hands on learning activities. There will be Interactive zones featuring:

- Food
- Livestock
- Emergency Services and Safety Zone
- STEM
- Wildlife and Conservation
- Health and Wellbeing
- Displays including sheep shearing, gun dogs, farriery & more!



We are delighted to announce that we are hosting a special lunch for the children and a special female relative who wishes to come. This is called the "Mother's Day lunch" but we recognise that families are composed in different ways and we would be just as delighted for each pupil to invite a Grandma, aunt or another relative. The menu is above and this will take place on **Thursday 19th March at 12 noon.**

March

Diary Dates for Spring Term 2020

	March		
	Week Beg 2nd March	All week	World Book Day activities
	5th March	All day	World Book Day menu and children and staff are dressing up - also donations of eggs requested from PTFA
	10th-11th	Week beg	Year 5 Bikeability
	11th	Morning	Years 3 & 4 visited by the Dogs Trust
	13th	All day	Sport Relief
S	19th	12 noon	Mother's Day Lunch
	23rd	рт	Yr 4, 5 and 6 visit to see the Aurora Orchestra at the Apex, Bury St Edmunds
F	23rd	Week beg	Experience Easter at Thomas a Becket Church
r	23rd-25th	Part week	Book Fair after school in the Hub
	Thurs 26th	Whole day	Larks and Robins visit to Easton Farm Park
	Fri 27th	2.30pm	Rocksteady Concert for families of participating pupils
	April		
	Weds 1st	All day	Henry VIII visiting!
	Thurs 2nd	All day	Last Day of Term (please note this is Thursday 2nd April)
	Thurs 23rd	All day	Kingfishers and Owls (Yr 3 and 4) visit to Suffolk Farm and Country Fair
			Easter holidays Friday 3rd April until Tuesday 21st April

PLEASE NOTE: SATS week takes place from 11th-14th of May for Year 6 pupils.