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" Love each other as I have loved you." John 15 verse 12

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Dear Parents and Carers

Here is a look at what is happening in school next week:

Monday 2 nd March	Children to come dressed as a story book character (see below for details) 8.15am Ktroo Club before school Apple Class Forest School learning pm Fundraiser for Birch Class' rabbit, Marshmallow Snuggles after school (see note below) Football Club after school finishing 4.15pm Choir Club after school finishing 4.15pm
Tuesday 3 rd March	8.15am Running Club before school Chestnut Class to Tuppenny Barn (see separate letter for details) Gym Club after school finishing 4.15pm Art Club for Y4-6 after school finishing 4.15pm
Wednesday 4 th March	Father Martin leading morning worship Piano lessons for named children all day Swimming lessons for those in Oak and Willow Classes pm

	<p>Hockey Club after school finishing 4.15pm</p> <p>Drama Club after school finishing 4.15pm</p> <p>Art Club for Y1-3 after school finishing 4.15pm</p> <p>Le Club Francais finishing 4.15pm</p> <p>5.30pm Governors Finance Committee meeting</p>
<p>Thursday 5th March</p> <p><i>World Book Day</i></p>	<p>8.15am Dance Club before school</p> <p>Piano lessons for named children am</p> <p>4 x Y5 children to Chichester Racquet Club Enrichment event (see separate letter for details)</p> <p>2.45pm Birch Class (Y5) assembly - families warmly invited</p> <p>Multi Sports Club after school finishing 4.15pm</p>
<p>Friday 6th March</p>	<p>Ukulele, Maths and Karate Clubs before school</p> <p>Fencing Club after school finishing 4.15pm</p>



Shrove Tuesday The word "Shrove" comes from the word 'shrive', which means to give absolution after hearing confession. Traditionally on Shrove Tuesday people went to confession at church to prepare themselves for Lent, which begins the following day - Ash Wednesday. Shrove Tuesday was the last chance for a spot of indulgence before the 40 days of fasting. People spent that day using up food that couldn't be eaten during Lent; this included eggs, fat and milk - pancake ingredients. Having heard about Shrove Tuesday, and learning that the first ever pancake race was held in Olney in Buckinghamshire in 1445, supposedly originating when a local woman heard the church bell while she was making pancakes and ran there, frying pan in hand, the children enjoyed an array of pancake competitions on Tuesday afternoon. I am pleased to announce that Godwit House won our Interhouse Pancake Race Competition!



Oak Class Worship Thank you to Oak Class for such a wonderful assembly. It began with us all coming into Louis Armstrong singing "It's a wonderful world" and then they made us stop and think about how our actions affect the world, that God has created, making it perhaps less wonderful now. For instance how global behaviour has impacted on climate change but also how our own individual actions e.g leaving litter behind from a picnic pollutes the environment and harms the creatures that come into contact with it. Thank you to those who came to see the children's worship as the children do enjoy opportunities to share moments like these with their families.

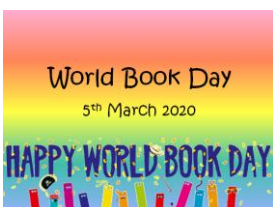


#Live Lent Care for God's Creation When in celebrating Ash Wednesday with us this week and noting that our worship theme for the week was "Caring for Creation", Father Martin has bought 10 copies of " #Live Lent Care for God's Creation" for every class. This booklet, published by The Church of England, has 40 actions, one for each of the forty days in Lent. Each day there is a short Bible passage , a prayer and a related challenge e.g today it says:

Jesus began his work saying that he was sent to bring good news to the poor. Christians are called to pray and work for a fairer world. This includes taking care to protect the life of the of the whole earth, including its animals and plants. Spend time planting some seeds, taking care of a pet or feeding the birds, remembering that God made and cares for all things.



Chichester Corporate Challenge Mrs Collins, Miss Ellis and myself were immensely proud of our runners: Solly Burton, Annabel Goring-Crook, Olive Lawson, Ellie Maunder, Patrick McGarry, Evie Pearce, George Reeve, Niamh Roberts, Finn Schmidtschneider and Libby Smith who participated in the first of 3 events in this year's Chichester Corporate Challenge which is organised by the Chichester Runners and Athletics Club. The children had to run 1400m around the centre of Chichester ie starting outside the Assembly Rooms in North Street, the children run down towards The Cross. They then turn left into East Street, and then left at Mark and Spencer's running up towards Priory Park where they take a left turn to run back down North Street - then round again for lap 2! Although the results for race 1 are yet to be disclosed, all our children did incredibly well, and having taken part in "Race 1" now know what to expect in the next two competition runs.



World Book Day

In celebration of World Book Day next week, the children on Monday, are being encouraged to come dressed to school as a character from a book. This could be

a well-known character, e.g Paddington Bear, Goldilocks or something completely made up. Whomever they come as, that character will play a part in a story every child will write during the week, which they will share with someone on Friday afternoon.

The children are all coming home with their World Book Token today which they can exchange for a free World Book Day Book or use it to have a £1 off a book or audiobook.



Fundraiser After school on Monday, a group of Y5 children: Millie Bull, Evie Pearce, Lily Richardson, Finn Schmidtschneider, Libby Smith and Sydney Smith will be running a stall, selling a range of items e.g chocolate rice crispy cakes, loom band balls and bracelets etc. items will be 50p or £1. Money raised is going to the upkeep of their class rabbit, Marshmallow Snuggles ie to buy bedding and food. Please do support them if you can.



Welcome Back A huge "Hello again" to Mrs Parkin who returned from her maternity leave this week. She is back working Tuesdays and Wednesdays and covering Apple, Chestnut, Oak and Birch Classes half day each (covering the teachers PPA time)



Parent/Carer consultations The Parent/Carer consultations for everyone from YR to Y6 take place on Tuesday 10th March, Wednesday 11th March and Thursday 12th March from 3.30-5.45pm each evening. The sign up sheets will be out as from Monday 2nd March or you can call into the office after school to sign up then if that is easier.



Use Of TikTok We have been made aware of a number of Year 5 and 6 children with TikTok online accounts - some with privacy settings, some none at all. Some of the children were also giving away personal information (e.g. wearing school uniform with the school logo on). **Please note that no child under the age of 13 years old should have a TikTok account.**

Please be aware of what your child is downloading and educate them about the online world and safety concerns. (Further information about TikTok is attached)



Parking Outside School Possibly due to the current bad weather and people preferring not to "park and stride" and instead park as close to the school as they can, the parking outside of school has become quite chaotic of late, as I am sure you have all noticed. Parking needs everyone to be considerate and to think about others e.g if parked completely up upon the pavement how can anyone walk past? With cars parked both sides of the road, how can traffic flow? You may think one solution could be someone from school being outside directing traffic/stopping people parking in certain places, but sadly we have no jurisdiction out on the highways and in fact should our actions cause an accident we would be personally liable. I constantly meet with different people (I'm meeting with Mike Magill, Bourne County Councillor on the subject next week) and talk to various agencies about the problem. The police advise that if people are concerned about any cars parking badly e.g blocking a car in a driveway or note poor driving, they can report all anonymously, on their Operation Crackdown website (where there is the facility to upload any dashcam evidence should you wish to).

Footnote: Thank you for your support re. the collision with a neighbours car in the week - as a result of the registration number being noted at the time, the matter has been able to be followed up.