

NEWSLETTER

11th March 2022

LIVING LIFE IN ALL ITS FULLNESS

On World Book Day last Thursday there was certainly a buzz around school! Tables and chairs in classrooms were cleared away and floor spaces became a large 'chill out and read for enjoyment' space. Children visited different classes throughout the day and took part in various activities with different teachers.

This half term, all children are studying DT with a few classes focusing on food technology. Year 5 spent most of yesterday in the cooking room following recipes to make a pizza base and a lot was learned! They concluded that their pizza bases were not quite right because of the small amount of sugar that was added. They couldn't taste the sugar which was added as an activator for the yeast. Watch this space, in a few weeks we will have pizzas!



Sometimes music is the only medicine the heart and soul need...

Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 are working hard practising their instruments. DPA deliver weekly P-bone lessons with Year 3, Mr Darby is delivering ukulele lessons to Year 4 and Mr Murphy and Mrs Stokes are teaching Year 2 the recorder.

In addition to this, we have 1-1 guitar, violin and trumpet lessons being taught across school.



Thank You



During Collective Worship this week, **Sophia** and **Jessica** from Year 5 asked the school community for help. They requested donations to support families who are fleeing war torn Ukraine and the response has been overwhelming! Thank you very much for your kindness.

In addition to this act of courageous advocacy, **Jasmine** from year 6 has been selling loom band bracelets and necklaces to raise money. She has raised over £80 so far. This will be added to the donations raised by Life Central Church.



I would like to welcome new lunchtime supervisors Mrs Toujgani and Mrs Panter, and our new kitchen staff Mrs Tracey and Miss Crawford to St Margaret's.

Diary Dates

Monday 21st March – KS2 Shakespeare Explorer Workshop
Tuesday 22nd March – Dudley Book Awards for Y6 Winners
Friday 25th March – Mother's Day Morning for Nursery Only
Friday 25th March – 1pm Mother's Day Assembly for KS1
Monday 29th March – Y4 School Trip
Thursday 7th April – Last Day of Term
Friday 8th April – INSET DAY

Parent Consultations

We have held four 'face to face' parent consultation sessions. It was great to finally be able to have parents in school and thank you for attending your child's appointment. If there is anything you would like to follow up from your consultation meeting, please don't hesitate to contact the school office.

Covid Update

Children and young people with COVID-19 should not attend their education setting while they are infectious. They should take a LFD test from 5 days after their symptoms started (or the day their test was taken if they did not have symptoms) followed by another one the next day. If both of these test results are negative, they can return to school if feel well enough to do so.

Mother's Day Arrangements

Reception and Key stage 1 would like to invite their mum or a special lady in their life to an assembly on Friday 25th March. Refreshments will be available from 1pm and the assembly will start at 1.20pm. Can I please ask that you arrive before 1.20pm.



The recent news has been dominated with awful stories and images of the recent Russian invasion of Ukraine. This is probably something that many of your children are asking questions about. The DfE have published the following about talking to children about this. It is worth a read and may help you discuss the situation and answer your children's questions.

<https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/>

Please remember, school will be closed on Friday 8th April for Inset Day.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Mrs Shepherd'.

Mrs Shepherd