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Key Stage 2 Reading Revealed event

Staff across the school have been busily preparing presentations and information to share with Key Stage 2 parents next week at our 'Reading revealed' event. All parents of Key Stage 2 children are warmly invited to come along to school on 10th February at 6pm to learn more about effective ways to teach the essential skills of inference, deduction and retrieval. We know that it can be tricky to ask the right questions as your child reads or to know how best to help them improve their reading comprehension, so we are here to help!

We really hope that you will seize this opportunity to find out more about the ways in which children are taught in school and how this can be complemented at home. We will also be exploring with you the types of books that the children encounter in school and the types of tasks they are required to undertake so that we can check their progress and use this to tailor teaching to their needs. We look forward to seeing you. 

Author visit

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We are very excited to inform you that we have a famous author coming to visit our school during our Book Week on **Tuesday 10th March**. The author of the series 'The Time-Travelling Cat' and 'The Big Red Bath', Julia Jarman, will be carrying out exciting reading and writing workshops for each year group! At the end of the school day, she will be in the Main Hall for yourselves and your child to purchase her books and get them personally signed by Julia herself.

We hope you're looking forward to it just as much as we are!

World Book Day—Dress up

Save the Date! Thursday 5th March is World Book Day. Bring your favourite book character to life by dressing up as them. Visit <u>www.worldbookday.com</u> for some inspiration and dressing-up ideas. We can't wait to see the fantastic array of costumes and look forward to guessing which book the children are from.



Amelia in Blue Class—Amelia was an amazing 'teacher' in the ReadWrite Inc. lessons this week. She was so speedy with her sounds. Go Amelia!

Harmony in Yellow Class—Harmony is becoming a whizz at putting sounds together to make words. We are so proud of the effort she puts into every bit of her learning.

Ask your Reception child to tell you if they would/would not like to visit space and to explain why.

Ask your Year 1 child what they could use to measure capacity.

Ask your Year 2 child to explain their predictions for the science egg experiment they set up in class this week.

Ask your Year 3 child about how to make Stone Age Stew.

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Ask your Year 4 child to explain why Odin was important to the Vikings.

Ask your Year 5 child to recall as many months of the year as they can in Spanish.

Ask your Year 6 child to use the word vexatious or puce in a sentence.

FORTHCOMING DATES

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Sentence Starters

10th February at 6pm—Key Stage 2 'Reading Revealed' meeting for parents

11th February at 10am—Year 2 performance 12th February at 2pm—Year 2 performance 13th February (am) - Reception Come and Share 14th February—Friends 'break the rules day 17TH—21ST FEBRUARY—HALF TERM 5th March—World Book Day—Dress up 6th March—Mid year reports sent home 9th March—Book Week 18th March at 2pm—Year 5 performance 19th March at 6pm—Year 5 performance 20th March at 9am—Blue Class assembly 24th March—Height and weight checks for Reception & Year 6 26th March—Parents' evening 31st March—Parents' evening 1st April—LAST DAY OF TERM 2ND APRIL—16TH APRIL—EASTER HOLIDAY 17TH APRIL—INSET DAY (SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN) 20TH APRIL—CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL

SCHOOL TERM DATES FOR 2020/2021

<u>2020</u>

Thursday 3 & Friday 4 September (school closed to children)

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Autumn Term Opens	Monday 7 September
Half Term	26 October – 30 October
Autumn Term Closes	Friday 18 December
	<u>2021</u>
<u>Training Day</u>	Monday 4 January (school closed to children)
Spring Term Opens	Tuesday 5 January
Half Term	15 - 19 February
Spring Term Closes	Friday 26 March
Summer Term Opens	Monday 12 April
May Day	Monday 3 May
Half Term	31 May – 4 June
Training Days	Monday 7 & Tuesday 8 June (school closed to children)
Summer Term Closes	Thursday 22 July

Training Days