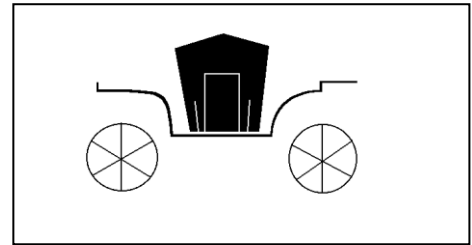


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**Newsletter No. 19**  
**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

Dear Parents, Carers and Governors,



**New Library**

Our library is now finished! The big tree was added yesterday and will be ready to display books from next week. We have parents' evenings very soon – do take the chance to pop along and see it when you come for that. I love seeing everyone's happy faces on their first visit – one child said "It makes me want to read more!" Hurray!!

We will now be buying additional books, particularly adding up-to-date non-fiction, more poetry and really quality story books by award winning writers. Thank you to the 'Raise the Roof' fundraising teams for all your hard work that has enabled us to get our new library.



**Automated Gates**

Our gates are now installed. We are pleased with how they are working and the additional security it gives us when monitoring who is on site.

Do let us know any issues you notice as parents, if we need to do anything else to make it work more smoothly. A big thank you to Mrs Terry for all her work on this big project!

**Coronavirus Advice**

See the letter attached to today's newsletter.



**Morning Arrivals**

Next week, can every child have a go at coming into school by themselves? They all manage it super well after play and lunch, so we know they can do it. A big hug and cheerio at the door will set them on their way for a lovely day of fun learning at school.



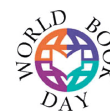
**Blue Class Bring a parent to lunch week**  
**– W/C 16.03.2020**

Blue Class parents are invited to join their child/ren for lunch w/c 16<sup>th</sup> March. If you would like to join your child, please complete the slip below and return to the office with your cash payment by **9.00 am on Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Mar**. If you have more than one child in school, you will be able to eat with both on the same day. We will only contact you if there are not enough spaces, so assume you have a place if you don't hear from us. Please note we ask parents to arrive at 12.10pm and just to stay for lunch, rather than staying on to play with the children in the playground. Thank you.

**Parents  
Evening**

**Parents' Evenings Return Slips**

We will soon be holding our termly parents' evenings. Please find a slip attached to the newsletter for you to complete, requesting a time. Please complete, ticking as many options as possible, so we can accommodate everyone.



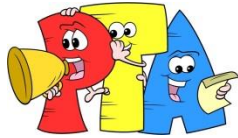
**World Book Day – next Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March**

Next Thursday is World Book Day. It is one of my favourite days of the year, when you see children all over in different outfits. Please do remember, outfits don't need to be very elaborate or shop bought. You could come in PJs, with a teddy and a favourite book, all ready for a good bedtime story! It's up to you!



### Blue Class Parents Drinks

Blue class parents invited for drinks at the Golden Cross on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March at 8pm. Please do come along if you are able.



Hope everyone had a good half term.

Please check book bags for the sponsored event letter. This year we are asking the children to run for books!!

The new library area looks amazing but the shelves are looking a bit bare....school would like to buy books and the money we raise will go towards them. All the details on how to fundraise are in the letter. You can set up an online page or do it the traditional way with the paper form. Please return any money to the PTA box by 27 March.

Quiz night is fast approaching. This year will be doing a joint event with the Junior school and they have kindly offered to host the event in their hall (they can fit more people in!). Please do come along...it is a great evening. All money raised will be split between the two schools' PTAs. More details to follow.

**Miss Helen Ball**  
Executive Headteacher

**Miss Hazel Snellgrove**  
Head of School

### Next week's dates in blue

### New or amended dates and arrangements in red

Diary Dates – Spring 2020		
Date	Event	Timing/venue
w/c Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> February	Half Term	School closed
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day	Dress up as your favourite book character!
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents Evening 1	3.30pm – 6.00pm
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	PTA Meeting	More info to follow
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2 Cake Sale	3.00pm - playground
W/C 16 <sup>th</sup> March	PTA Sponsored Event	More info to follow
	Blue Class Bring a parent to lunch week	See above for information
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents Evening 2	4.30pm – 7.00pm

### Diary Dates:

Sponsored Event – ‘Run for books’  
Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March pm – Blue Class  
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March pm – Y2  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March pm – Y1  
We will need volunteers to help run this event. Please do let us know if you can help on your year groups day – Thanks.

PTA Meeting 11<sup>th</sup> March:  
All welcome please do come along.

Joint Quiz Night 27<sup>th</sup> March:  
Juniors and Infants will be holding a joint quiz night.

Thank you  
The PTA Team

### PTA Party Box

We now have a party box available for hire, £10 to hire (£5 deposit back if returned clean and complete). This is a super way to reduce waste – less plastic is always good!

### Includes:

- 30 x plates, cups, bowls
- 3 x serving platters
- 2 x jugs

We have already received lots of bookings, so please do get in touch if you would like to hire it.

Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2 Trip to Reading Museum and RISC	<b>Letters out today – check book bags</b>
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2 Fairtrade Coffee Morning	9.00am – school hall. Y2 parents invited
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	PTA Quiz Night	Joint with Junior School – details to follow
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Blue Class Spring Celebration Assembly	9.10am - school hall – Parents invited
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Church Service	St Mary's Church
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Year 1 & 2 Spring Celebration Assembly	9.10am & 2.30pm - school hall – Parents invited
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April</b>	<b>Last day of term</b>	<b>School closes at 1.50pm</b>

### **Term Dates 2019-20**

*Please note that holidays in school term time are not authorised*

#### **Spring Term 2020**

Inset Day – Mon 6<sup>th</sup> January

Tues 7<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April

Half term w/c Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February

#### **Summer Term 2020**

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2020

**Fri 8<sup>th</sup> May – Bank Holiday – please note this is a national change from the usual Monday due to VE Day commemorations**

Half term w/c Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May

Inset days – Monday 20<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July

### **Term Dates 2010-21**

#### **Autumn Term 2020**

School open to pupils - Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> Sep to Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Dec 2020

- Inset days - Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> & Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept
- Inset day – Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> October
- Half term – w/c Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October

#### **Spring Term 2021**

School open to pupils - Tues 5<sup>th</sup> January to Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021

- Inset day Monday 4<sup>th</sup> Jan
- Inset day – Fri 12<sup>th</sup> February
- Half term - w/c Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February

#### **Summer Term 2021**

School open to pupils - Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April to Wed 21<sup>st</sup> July 2021

- Half term - w/c Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May

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**Parent School Meal Order for Blue Class Parents**

I enclose £2.58 cash for an adult school meal on:-

Mon 16<sup>th</sup> Mar     Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Mar     Weds 18<sup>th</sup> Mar     Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Mar     Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Mar

I would like the main meal

I would like the vegetarian option

I would like a jacket potato

**Please assume you have a place unless we contact you.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

**All orders must be returned by 9.00am on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> Mar, so that Mrs Saunders can order additional food for the week.**