



The 'BROADCAST'

Newsletter 19 : 8th February 2019

Congratulations:-

- To Rosie, for her writing about her Great Grandmas experiences at school.
- To Liam, for painting our logo on his rock.
- To Toby, for an original idea using paint on glass.

Dear Parents

We have been offering many experiences to our children this week. Year 5 and 6 pupils attended a science presentation by Bristol University at Henley Bank High. They learnt that hydrogen is combustible through experimentation. Year 1 and 2 parents worked alongside their children in the hall to try out and investigate activities to learn about Chinese New Year. We have introduced the children to 'Explorify', a new and exciting way of getting our children to think scientifically. We used magnified photos to encourage discussion and questioning.

**Congenital Heart defects affect
1 in 100 people.**

On Thursday, we invite all the children to make a donation to the British Heart Foundation. They will have the opportunity to use their donation to 'buy a heart.' On this heart, they can write a message to a special friend who has been especially kind to them. We will have a lunchtime disco to get our hearts pumping and celebrate how important our hearts are to us.

Help us spread the love!



Our Community Hub

You have probably noticed the Community Hub in the KS1 playground with the new lettering and bunting. We are pleased to inform you that the official opening of the hub is at 9.00am on Thursday 14th February. As the bell goes we will gather around the hub to have the cutting of the ribbon by a representative from Tesco and Mr Lines.



WOW - A huge congratulations to Year 3 and 4 gymnastics team. They entered KS2 Key Steps Gymnastic Competition along with 16 other schools and we are delighted to tell you that we came.... **FIRST!!!!** They all received a gold medal. Peyton got silver for her floor routine and Olivia got bronze for her vault. They now move on to compete at County Level. Please look out for the certificate in our trophies cabinet in the entrance hall.



On Tuesday 12th February, Mrs Blake will be beginning recorder club at lunchtimes. Children have been given a letter with all the details. Please return the slip to school to secure a place for your child.



This week the children will be writing in their Tracking Writing Progress Book. This is instead of their Big Write. There is no stimulus to discuss at home this week.

BOOK FAYRE

The Friends raised over £600 from the Book Fayre. The school receives the value of 60% of that in free books. Well done everyone! Your support is invaluable.



SCHOOL ZIG ZAG LINES

We have recently noticed that cars are parking on the zig zag lines outside the main gates for a considerable amount of time. As these gates are required for deliveries and emergency access we kindly request that you no longer park on these zig zag lines during school opening times.

Thank you

Forthcoming dates for your diary

Key Dates for Spring Term 2019

Thursday 14th February - Congenital Heart Defect Day

Friday 15th February - Movie Night

Monday 18th February-Friday 22nd February - Half Term

Monday 4th March - Years 5/6 Cheltenham Music Festival

Tuesday 19th March - Parents' Evening - 3.20pm-6pm

Thursday 21st March - Parents' Evening - 4pm-7pm

Friday 22nd March - PAWS in

Wednesday 3rd April - Swimming Gala

Friday 5th April - Term finishes at 2pm

Monday 8th April-Tuesday 23rd April - Easter Holidays

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