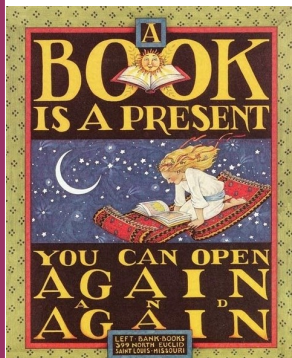




## Fritchley CofE (Aided) Primary and Nursery School

March 2024

### World Book Day



It was great to get all the children together in their World Book Day costumes. They looked fabulous! Around school, we heard children chatting about books and sharing their favourite stories. Thank you to all the adults who were able to come in to share stories with the children. It is wonderful to see such a love of books!

We have received many book donations which is wonderful. One of our parents, Whitemoor Davis Accountants based in Belper ([whitemoordavis.co.uk](http://whitemoordavis.co.uk)), has kindly donated £100 to buy additional books. The children and staff have already been looking excitedly through the boxes of new books. These will be placed in classrooms and the library for children to enjoy. THANK YOU.

### Wider Curriculum

#### Jungle Jo

The children in Haddon and Wingfield had a lovely afternoon meeting some interesting creatures and finding out about where and how they live. Many children were super brave and held them!

#### Dance workshop

Wingfield class were very lucky to be offered some dance classes. This is through the Music Hub and is a funded Arts Council project. The children will have two more sessions and then will be invited to a showcase event with five other schools. The project theme is "Old Dances, New People, New Age". The first session was a huge success. The next session will be held on 2nd May and the showcase event will be 6th June. The class will also be involved in making their own costumes for the event.



### Links with David Nieper Academy

The school choir, which is made up of 17 children from Years 1-6 attended David Nieper Academy to take part in a concert. They sang alongside children from other schools in our cluster, as well as performing their own song. The children have been working hard over the last few weeks to learn the songs and they really sang their hearts out. We are incredible proud of them all. We hope that the school choir continues to grow in the future.



### Bedding plants

Mr Shaw is busy making a new garden area. If you have any spare bedding plants to fill up our new raised beds we would be very grateful. Next term we are hoping to improve our vegetable plot. If you would like to help out with this, please get in touch.

### School Pick Up

When collecting your child, please can you come up the driveway further so that class teachers can see you. Some of you are disappearing around the bend and we can't see you! Please also try to leave dogs at home. If you do bring your dog it must remain on the lower part of the drive and not come through the school gates. Also, please don't let your children run around in carpark. I would hate for a child to get hurt or a car to get damaged. Thank you for your understanding.

### Allergies

We have a child starting with severe allergies. Therefore, starting from **Monday 18th March** children will only be able to bring in fruit as a snack for playtime. Lunch boxes will need to be nut free. Please avoid cereal bars and biscuits. It is really important that we work together to keep all of our children safe.

### Diary Dates

		<b>March</b> <b>20th</b> Chatsworth residential <b>25th</b> Last swimming <b>26th</b> Phonics morning for parents <b>28th</b> Cross country <b>28th</b> Last day	<b>April</b> <b>15th</b> INSET day <b>16th</b> Open to children <b>22nd</b> Swimming starts again <b>25th</b> High 5 netball
<b>May</b> <b>2nd</b> Dance workshop (Wingfield) <b>20th</b> KS1 Football <b>24th</b> Last day	<b>June</b> <b>3rd</b> INSET day <b>6th</b> Dance showcase (Wingfield)	<b>July</b> <b>8th</b> Last swimming <b>16th</b> Reports <b>17th</b> Swimming gala <b>23rd</b> Last day (Tuesday)	<b>September</b> <b>4th</b> INSET day <b>5th</b> Open to children (Thursday)

### Safeguarding

If you have any safeguarding concerns please contact - Mrs. Turner: Designated Safeguarding Lead or Mrs. Shaw: Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead, Tel: 01773 852216

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