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Dear parents and carers,

WOW - What a great effort the children made for World Book Day! On Thursday we spent the day guessing from the cryptic costume clues – it was really interesting to find out just how many books we had read and could identify the characters from. Can you work out some of the clues from the hints below:

- A thick gold chain?
- A chocolate cake?
- A sauce pan?
- A horse's head?
- Some Turkish Delight?

Take a look at the photographs at the end of the bulletin for more clues. It was also wonderful to see so many parents of children in Hedgehog Class attending our 'Stay and Read' event. The children absolutely loved sharing their reading with Mums and Dads, and the buzz in the classroom for the rest of the day was infectious! We look forward to hosting more events like this in the future – keep reading our future bulletins to find out more.

Mrs Knock & Mrs Elliott



Star of the Week

Congratulations to our stars of the week who have demonstrated our focus for this week which was learning from our mistakes.

Owls: Elizabeth C-I for improving her work in lessons.

Foxes: **Finley L** for working hard to respond to feedback and learn from his mistakes. As a result we are seeing great progress!

Rabbits: **Aliah T** for making great progress in times tables.

Hedgehogs: Harrison K for writing an excellent story.



Readers of the Week

We are very proud to share that our readers of the week are:

Owls: Fraser D, Heidi J and Kayne S

Foxes: Rose D, George H and Caroline F

Rabbits: Poppy-Jayne M, Cael C, Jimmy H and Cali D

Hedgehogs: Zachary O, Albert D, Barnaby B and Wyndsor H

Gaston the reading bug is being shared between Owls and Foxes this week, with Mini-Gaston being awarded to Hedgehogs – well done everyone!



Reading Certificates

Congratulations to all of the children below – who received their certificates in our first whole school Celebration Assembly of 2022 – it was so nice to all be back in the hall together again!

Well done Fraser D (100), George H (100), Henry B (50), Jashan J (50), Poppy B (50), Finley L (50), Jules M (50), Ren F (50), Mostyn D (25) and Albert D (25).

The number next to the child's name shows how many reads they have achieved so far.



Parent Coffee Morning

Please join us on Wednesday 16th March for a parent coffee morning. This will take place straight after drop-off and is a great opportunity to socialise with other parents. Mrs Elliott and Mrs Knock will also join for some of the time, which will be an opportunity to discuss an idea of an end-of-term treat for the children - thank you to the parents who have already e-mailed to offer support.



Topics for Term 4

This term the topic titles in each class will be:

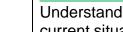
Owls: A Child's War

Foxes: Flow

World News

Rabbits: Beachcombers

Hedgehogs: **Bright Lights, Big City** – linked to the Great Fire of London We are currently updating the school website with information to support our topics, so please do take a look to find out more.





Understandably, the children across the school are concerned about the current situation in Ukraine. As a school, we have not discussed the events with the children, but have sensitively and factually responded to questions as they have arisen. We will decide how best to move forward should the situation develop further.

If you would like support about how to talk to your children about it at home, you may find this Government website useful. The Government have created a site to support schools and families when talking to children. Here are some charities and organisations which you may also wish to view:

https://unitedhelpukraine.org/ https://voices.org.ua/en/ https://donate.redcross.org.uk/appeal/ukraine-crisis-appeal



Reminder: Opening the Gate in the Morning

The gate will be from 8:40 for parents to walk their children onto the playground to reduce congestion near the road. The school will then be opened at 8:45 with a ring of a bell for the children to go inside. We do ask that parents remain with their children until the bell is rung, as the children will not be supervised by staff in the playground.



Parent Information

Parent Consultations: Don't forget to sign up for a parent consultation with your child's class teacher. The meetings will take place from Monday 7th March until Thursday 10th March. These are an important means to share with you the progress that your child is making.

Coffee Morning: Wednesday 16th March – straight after drop off.



Diary Dates

Tuesday 15.03.22	Benchball at Northiam	Years 3/4
Tuesday 22.03.22	Indoor football at Northiam	Years 3/4
Friday 01.04.22	End of Term	Whole school
Friday 27.05.22	INSET day – school closed	Whole school
Thursday 21.07.22	INSET day – school closed	Whole school
Friday 22.07.22	School closed in lieu of the	Whole school
	Jubilee Bank Holiday	



Safeguarding

If you have any concerns regarding safeguarding, please speak to any of the staff below:

- Mrs Bulgin Designated Safeguarding Lead
- Mrs Burrows / Mrs Knock / Mrs Elliott Deputy DSLs

