

5th March ,
2022

Newsletter No. 14

Dear Parents/ Carers,

All the children have had a busy start to the new half term and, in between the showers, we have actually managed to enjoy a bit of warmer and sunnier weather.

Whilst 'Reading for Pleasure' is always a high priority for our children, we have thoroughly enjoyed partaking in a few extra reading activities during this week, in celebration of World Book Day.

A particular favourite has been making book characters out of fruit and vegetables. We have had some wonderfully, creative models and the children have been really proud to show off their exhibits, explaining the thought process behind them. Do enjoy looking at the photos of just some of them—more photos will follow and do look on our Twitter page for more too. @bellbirdprimary The children have especially enjoyed spending their £1 book vouchers and selecting a book from the special £1 editions. We have been delighted to see the photos of 'Unusual reading places' too.

Both year 1 classes have been out on their school trip into Cambridge this week.

Travelling on the local bus, they visited the Cambridge Science Centre attending a fantastic workshop, followed by an opportunity to investigate the centre freely. The staff at the Science centre commented on the politeness and wonderful interest shown by the pupils. Thank you to the parent volunteers who joined us for these trips, making a thoroughly enjoyable event!

In other news, we are delighted to inform you that we are now able to reinstate our special Mother's Day breakfast. In order to reduce the number of people in the hall at the same time, we are staggering this event over the last week of this half term.

Monday 28th—Year 3

Tuesday 29th March—Y1 & Y4

Wednesday 30th March—Y6 & YR

Thursday 31st March - Y2 & Y5

The event will run from 8:30 am —9:30am each day. All mums are invited to come into school, on their allocated day, via the Hall door where they will be served a breakfast by their children and staff. Children are currently practising a song to share with the mums too. If you have more than one child, you are obviously welcome to come on several days, but we will need you to stick to the correct days, due to the numbers. If you would like to come and join us for this lovely event please do book a place on School Gateway—make sure you select the correct day(s) so that we can ensure we have sufficient breakfasts ordered.

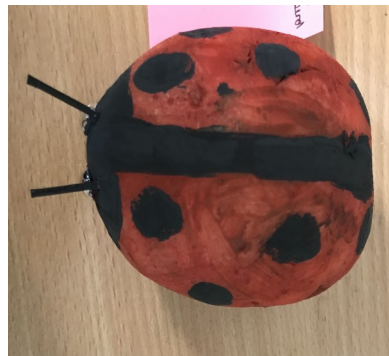
If you do not have a School Gateway account already you can easily create one by going on to www.schoolgateway.com and entering your details. (You will need to use the same contact details email/phone no. as we have in school).

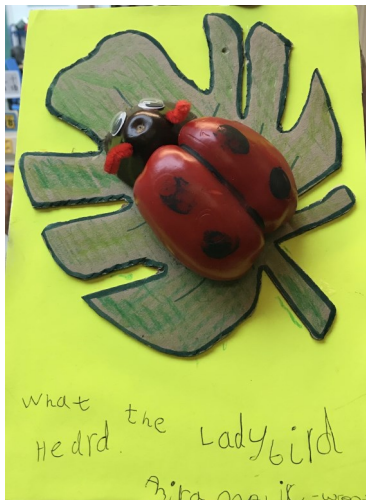
On March 18th we will be celebrating Red Nose Day by inviting children to wear a red item of clothing/accessory to school. We will be selling red noses for a minimum donation of £1:50. These will be sold by our school council members, who will bring them around to the classes each day beginning from Friday, 11th March.

Please be aware that any school uniform can also be ordered and paid for online via **The School Shop** on the School Gateway too. Once your order has been processed, you will be informed and asked to collect it, as normal, from the school office..

Mrs Kendall & Mrs Pentney | Headteachers

Can you guess the book characters?







Dates for the Diary

Date	Event
Monday 28th February	Sparrows trip to Cambridge Science Centre
Monday 28th February	Visitor to Y5 from Cambridge University Astronomy department
Tuesday 1st March	Wagtails trip to Cambridge Science Centre
Wednesday 9th March	Y4 trip to Anglo Saxon Village West Stow— postponed
Friday 11th March	Red noses on sale from school
Friday 18th March	Red Nose Day - wear something red Spring reports to parents of children in Y1—6
Monday 21st—Thursday 24th March	Y6 Bikeability—details to follow
Tuesday 22nd March	Parent consultations—8am—11:30am
Thursday 24th March	Parent consultations—3:50—7:30pm
Monday 28th March	8:30—9:30 Mothers day breakfast for Y3
Tuesday 29th March	8:30—9:30 Mothers day breakfast for Y1 & Y4
Wednesday 30th March	8:30—9:30 Mothers day breakfast for YR & Y6
Wednesday 30th March	Y3 trip to Colchester Zoo
Thursday 31st March	8:30—9:30 Mothers day breakfast for Y2 & Y5
Friday 1st April	Last day of Spring term
Tuesday 19th April	First day of Summer term—pupils return