



### A MESSAGE FROM THE CO-HEADTEACHERS...



We have continued with all things literary this week, with today bringing to a close the second half of our Book Fortnight. The children have enjoyed sharing their own book choices and favourite book character costumes, and have explored new authors and genres. Our KS2 children were delighted to welcome, author, Karen McCombie, and our Year 5 children took an inspiring trip to Sevenoaks Book Shop. We know that these two weeks have opened the children's eyes and, we hope, imbued them with a greater passion for the written word. We look forward to welcoming you to our Travelling Book Fairs next Monday and Tuesday; do pop in if you can.

With the start of Lent, and our preparations for Easter, our core value for March, aptly, turns to 'love'. We invite you to talk to your child about the following Bible passage linked to this value. *'For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline.'* 2 Timothy 1 verse 7.

Kind regards

*Hannah Fuller & Sharon Saunders*

Co-Headteachers

## GOLDEN BOOK CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to the following children who received Golden Book certificates last week:

### YEAR R

Henry H  
Mona R  
Christo K  
Rosanna F

### YEAR 1

Kasper O  
Mattias Y  
Elia LBS  
Mats B  
Fraser C  
Isla T

### YEAR 2

Ellie F  
Joshua C  
Florence L  
Austin P

### YEAR 3

Iza VE  
Luke H  
Jan V  
Tia K

### YEAR 4

Henry M  
Clarissa M  
Charlotte D  
William W

### YEAR 5

Eva LBS  
Harry P  
Amelie H  
Kiara GLM  
Milly C

### YEAR 6

Lucy A  
Jude E  
Archie B  
Jagger B



## BOOK FORTNIGHT

With so much to share and celebrate from this year's Book Fortnight, next week's Newsletter will include a special, extended, 'Book Fortnight' feature. We can't wait to share with you what has been an inspiring, creative and fun-filled fortnight! We hope the children have enjoyed all the wonderful activities.





In recognition of their hard work with their times tables, the following KS2 children were, last week, awarded a TT Rock Stars certificate:

YEAR 3 –Orla O’P and Lilou P

YEAR 4—Sophie A and Matty B

YEAR 5—Finn R and Eden L

YEAR 6—Annabelle O’G and Arthur HB

### DONATIONS FOR YEAR 1

Year 1 would be extremely grateful for any donations of toy cars and Small World type toys. Please drop any donations into the School Office.

Thank you.



### YEAR 5 TRIP TO SEVENOAKS BOOKSHOP

This week, Year 5 enjoyed a visit to Sevenoaks Bookshop. They enjoyed listening to an extract from ‘The Chronicles of Narnia’ read to them by The Snow Queen. The children then chose a story from the story machine and read these to each other. Two children received prizes after their stories were selected as winners of the short story competition. These children were Scott C from Hawthorn and Sienna B from Cedar class.

Thank you to Sevenoaks Bookshop for hosting these sessions for us.

## NETBALL MATCH— TUESDAY

On Tuesday afternoon, the Lady Boswell's School netball team took a trip to Knole Academy to play a rescheduled league match against Amherst School.

Our team played cohesively with some exciting end-to-end play.

Unfortunately, the final School did not reflect the game, with the opposition winning 10-5.

Well done to both teams for excellent sportsmanship and particular congratulations go to Jude E, who was voted 'player of the match' by the opposition.



## STEM CLUB

This week, STEM Club explored different 'states of matter'.

In groups, the children combined water and varying amounts of corn starch to create something called "oobleck". Corn starch does not dissolve in water, and the children discovered that, as they added more corn starch to the water, the result started to "feel like sand!", but continued to look like a liquid. When they tried to hold it (apply pressure), they discovered that it felt like a solid. When they let go, however, it flowed back into the tray!

Lots of questions were asked and a great deal of mess was created, all in the name of Science!



WORLD BOOK DAY



Mrs Pullen, AKA Cruella de Vil, with her '101 dalmatians'.

WORLD BOOK DAY CONT'D ...



## YEAR 3 ANCIENT EGYPTIAN AFTERNOON



On Wednesday afternoon, year 3 was joined by some teachers and students from Sevenoaks school.

The children worked in small groups in an 'escape room' themed afternoon. They had to complete different tasks related to the ancient Egyptians. During each activity, they also received clues to help them 'escape'.

The children had lots of fun and learnt more about the Egyptians. Our thanks to our friends from Sevenoaks School for such an exciting and informative afternoon.

This article is taken from Primary News and will be discussed in School next week. Please feel free to discuss this with your child at home. They are then welcome to bring in and share any thoughts or comments that they may have.

# In the news this week

## Things to talk about at home ...

It has been suggested that the number of hazel dormice in the UK has dropped from around 3.5 million to only 750,000 in almost 30 years. Currently, their conservation status is classed as 'vulnerable', but some researchers say people should be more worried for them. A recent report from the University of Exeter urges for hazel dormice to be reclassified as 'endangered' and calls for more conservation action.

> Describe your local area to someone older. Ask them to share details about their local area from when they were younger. Was it different?

> Talk about different places e.g., the countryside, cities. How can people who live in each take greater care of local habitats?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments



# TAKEHOME

Could you do more to protect your local area?



Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

[www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss](http://www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss)



## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PTA ...



### Lady Boswell's Experience Days - Costume donation request ...

The Experience Days (Egyptian, Viking, Roman, etc.) arranged by the school and supported by the PTA are always incredibly popular! As part of the fun, the children are encouraged to dress up in line with the theme.

The PTA would like to support families by offering costumes to the school community to be loaned out for a small donation for each of these days to prevent people having to buy them.

In order to provide this service we are in need of donations! If you have any costumes at home that you no longer require, please donate them by leaving them in a carrier bag in our new red Pre-loved Uniform Donation Bin located by the bike rack at the main gate. We are only looking for costumes relating to the Experience Days not any other type of dress up costume. We will be collecting these throughout the school year.



**TESCO**  
Community Grants

Just a reminder that Lady Boswell's PTA remains one of three charities to be awarded a cash boost from the Tesco Community Grants. Voting continues until 31st March at Sevenoaks Riverhead store. Customers will cast their vote using a Community Grant Token given to them at the checkout each time they shop – if you do not get given one, please ask!

Please help our school's bid by voting when you enter any of the Tesco shops above. The winner will receive £1,500.

## DIARY DATES

TERM 4—DIARY DATES	TERM 5—DIARY DATES
<b>Parent Prayer Meetings</b> — 3, 17 and 31 March	<b>Parent Prayer Meetings</b> —to be confirmed
<b>Term 4 swimming</b> —Silver Birch, Sycamore and Holly—23 Feb and 2/9/16/23/30 March	<b>Term 5 swimming</b> —Copper Beech, Silver Birch and Cedar—20/27 Apr and 4/11/18/25 May
<b>6 and 7/3/23</b> 3.25pm Travelling Book Fair Sales—more information to follow	<b>17/4/23</b> First day of Term 5
<b>8/3/23</b> Year 1 and 4 trips to Sevenoaks School Science Shows	<b>18 &amp; 19/4/23</b> Parent Consultation Evenings—more information to follow
<b>10/3/23</b> Bentley Class Photos—'best' uniform please	<b>24/4/23</b> Year 6—Safety in Action—more information to follow
<b>10/3/23</b> 10pm PTA Mother's Day Flower purchase window closes—please see Parentmail of 28/2/23	<b>25/4/23</b> 3.00pm PTA AGM - all welcome. More information to follow
<b>15/3/23</b> 9.15am Mother's Day Service—Year 1 parents/carers invited to attend	<b>25/4/23</b> 3.30pm Open Classroom
<b>15 and 16/3/23</b> Love2Dance Shows—more information to follow	<b>1/5/23</b> Bank Holiday
<b>17/3/23</b> PTA Mother's Day Sale—more information to follow	<b>5/5/23</b> 'The Big Help Out' Coronation Celebration Day—more information to follow
<b>17/3/23</b> Red Nose Day—children invited to wear red in exchange for a £1 donation	<b>8/5/23</b> Bank Holiday
<b>24/3/23</b> School clubs finish (please note that Activity Extra club dates may vary)	<b>9/5/23</b> Adult Mental Health Awareness Week commences
<b>28/3/23</b> Prayer Day in School—more information to follow	<b>9/5/23</b> KS2 SATs week
<b>29/3/23</b> 10.00am Easter Service at St. Nicholas Church for KS2 children — all parents/carers welcome to attend	<b>15/5/23</b> KS1 SATs commence
<b>31/3/23</b> Last day of Term 4	<b>15/5/23</b> 'Walk to School' Week commences
	<b>15/5/23</b> STEM Week
	<b>21/5/23</b> PTA Fun Run—more information to follow
	<b>24/5/23</b> 9.15am Pentecost Service—led by Year 4. Year 4 parents and carers invited to attend
	<b>26/5/23</b> PTA 'Break the Rules' Day—more information to follow
	<b>26/5/23</b> Last day of Term 5