

Putteridge Primary School Newsletter Issue No. 6

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

Spring is finally here and hopefully we can now look forward to brighter and sunnier days.

March is already shaping up to be another busy month, as Friday 1st saw the Year 5 & 6 athletics team compete in the regional finals in Bedford (see separate section within the newsletter) and Key Stage 2 had an assembly delivered by Taylor Brown and Georgia Whitby from Luton Town Football Club's education team, to present 'No room for Racism' which focused on the experiences of Demi Stokes and Divock Origi.

The coming weeks will be packed with World Book Day, the school photographer, Comic Relief and parent consultations. Please see the relevant sections within the newsletter for further information. We will also be taking part in national Science Week from the 11th to 15th March and this year's theme will be 'Time' – please ask your child what activities they have taken part in as part of this.

Kind regards,

Colin Pickard

Headteacher



Parent Consultations

This term's parent consultations will take place on Monday 25th March (4.30pm - 7.30pm) and Tuesday 26th March (4.00pm - 7.00pm). Details about how to book an appointment will be sent on a separate letter in due course.



Attendance Figures



Well done to our weekly attendance winners for the month of February, who are listed below:

Week ending 02/02/24

09/02/24

16/02/24

01/03/24

Key Stage 1 & EYFS

Yellow Class (98.67%)

Purple Class (97.24%) Purple Class (98.28%)

Purple Class (97.59%)

Key Stage 2

4U & 6N (100%)

5T (98.33%)

6P (100%)

5S (99.33%)

Values Programme

The value for the month of March is

'Peace'



Easter Holidays

Children finish for the Easter holidays at **2pm** on **Thursday 28th March** – they return to school on **Monday 15th April**.



Online safety assemblies

On Tuesday 27th February, the children in Years 1 to 6 took part in online safety assemblies delivered by ECP. Mrs Prowle has sent out our latest safeguarding newsletter, with key messages about online safety within it – please take the time to read through this. What has been extremely noticeable and equally concerning, is the number of children who have stated that they play 'Call of Duty' or 'Grand Theft Auto' – both of these games are rated aged 18, owing to their significant violent nature, language and sexual content.

If you haven't already done so, please take the opportunity to access the Online Safety video for parents from ECP that can be accessed via the link sent on ParentMail on 27th February. The link will remain open until 24th March.



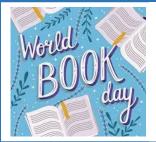
Comic Relief

Comic Relief will take place on Friday 15th March and children will be encouraged to participate in a nonuniform day to support this charity event. Further details will be sent via ParentMail.



School Photographs

The school photographer will be visiting the school to take individual and sibling photographs on Thursday 14th March.



World Book Day

A reminder that Thursday 7th March is World Book Day, and we are encouraging all pupils and staff to participate. Children can either wear their pyjamas or come dressed as their favourite book character for the day (no face paints please) – we would ask that children have appropriate footwear with them for break and lunchtime out on the playground.





Year 5 & 6 Athletics County finals

On Friday 1st March, the Year 5 & 6 athletics team journeyed with Mr Horton to Bedford to take part in the county finals. After weeks of dedicated additional practice sessions, the team faced representatives from 12 other schools across the county to see who would be crowned champions. Excellent performances from the whole team resulted in PPS finishing in third place behind Hillborough Juniors and Vale Academy.

A huge well done to the team of: Arnold, Kieran, Carl, Jaxson, Harvey, Sterling, Phebe, Layla, Zahra K, Blake, Fletcher, Harry M, Eve, Georgia, Ellie, Daisy, Natalie, Hakimah, Bobby W, George, Anaelle, Deborah, Bobby R & Shola.

A huge thank you also to Mr Horton, for his dedication and excellent coaching skills.