Dudley House School Newsletter – 28th February 2024



Dear Parents,

The daffodils are up, so spring must be around the corner! We still have some very cold mornings though, so please remember coats, hats and gloves.

What's been happening

Greek Day – Thursday 22nd February

Last Thursday, the children in Class 4 enjoyed the Greek feast that they had prepared in DT lessons, including white bean soup, pitta bread, greek salad, tzatziki and biscuits. They dressed in togas and made laurel wreath headdresses for their celebration.

During the day they learnt about Greek thinkers, the battles of Marathon when the Athenians were victorious over the Persians. They also compared life in Ancient Greece, to life in Britain during that period of history.

Future Events

Class 4 Assembly – Thursday 29th February

We'd like to welcome you all to the Class 4 assembly tomorrow, where you can discover what the children have been learning recently. This is not just for the families of children in Class 4 - everyone is welcome. The assembly starts at 8:50 am in the school hall.

World Book Day – Thursday 7th March

This week the children will be bringing home World Book Day tokens that they can use for a World Book Day book, or use to reduce the cost of a book of their choosing at participating book stores. We hope they will find a book that they will enjoy reading.

This year for World Book Day, the children have asked to dress up, so the children can come dressed as any book character. Please do not feel as if you have to go out and buy costumes, as often the best ones are ones that are put together from things you have at home.

We are also asking for the children to bring a favourite book to school that day to share with others (it doesn't have to be linked to their costume). Hopefully this will expand the range of books the children are interested in.

Parents evening – Tuesday 12th March

The next parent's evening will be on Tuesday 12th March from 4:00pm to 5:30pm, which will provide you with the opportunity to see your child's work and discuss their progress with the class teacher.

To book a convenient appointment, please pop in and sign your child's name on the Parent's Evening Form on the reception noticeboard.

Class 3 trip to York – Thursday 13th March

To enhance their understanding of the Vikings and how we gather evidence about the past, we have arranged for Class 3 to visit the Jorvik Centre and The Dig in York. A separate letter has gone out to Class 3 parents with more details.

Information

Individual School Photos

Parents have expressed an interest in having school photos taken of their children, so we have arranged for these to be taken shortly by Captivating Headshots <u>bit.ly/children-school-photos</u>. We will let you know the details nearer the time, so that children can look their best that day.

WORKING PARENT ELIGIBILITY CODES for 30 hours Early Years funding

Parents must apply for (or renew) their working parent eligibility code before the 31st March 2024 for their code to be valid in the summer term. Any codes applied for or renewed and dated after the deadline will not be valid in the summer term.

Childcare Choices

As well as funding for 2 to 4-year olds, Childcare Choices also provides information for parents about other ways to save costs on childcare including 'Tax-free childcare' and 'Tax credits for childcare'. It is worth taking a look. <u>https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/</u>

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Thursday 29th February
- Thursday 7th March
- Tuesday 12th March
- Wednesday 13th March
- Thursday 14th March
- Wednesday 20th March
- Thursday 28th March

- Class 4 Assembly
- World Book Day - Parents Evening
- Class 3 Trip to York
- Class 1 Assembly
- Class 3 Assembly
- End of Term