



NEWSLETTER 5th MARCH 2021

VALUE: FORGIVENESS

"Just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must also forgive others." Colossians 3:13

"When you forgive you don't change the past. But you do change the future"
Bernard Meltzer

Ruby Class have been following Barnaby Bear around the world. Lisa and Martha have been busy making items from the countries he has visited.



Jacob's lovely Book in Box

FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am so pleased that we are now opening school fully to all children. I hope that this is the last time we will have to go into lockdown and trust that the fantastic work that has already taken place to provide vaccinations will result in that being the case.

With regards to this lockdown, I am sure that many of you are looking forward to having your children back in school and being able to resume your own work and daily lives more fully. We do still have restrictions and I urge you to stick to those so that we continue to avoid the worst impacts of coronavirus in school. We will still be adhering to the measures to reduce the spread of the virus and need your continued support with this. Attached to this newsletter is a document with more detail and information.

A couple of headlines from that document

Staggered drop off

- Diamond and Emerald will come in from 8:40 am. Ruby and Sapphire from 8:50. If parents

Thank you to Mrs Cook for taking over the English lessons and I am gratified by the number of children who had accessed these and uploaded their work.

After the last lockdown, we could see that writing was an area for which many children had significantly fallen behind. I am so pleased that this time that it not the case and the work uploaded clearly evidences that.

Having said that, all of the efforts of my staff would not have had the positive impact without the commitment and effort that you have shown. I am fully aware of the challenges you have faced and the determination and resilience that has been required. For that you should be very proud.



have children from both of these groups, they may choose which drop-off to use.

Pick up at the end of the day:

- **EFYS/KS1 at 3:10pm and KS2 at 3:20pm.**
Please wait in your vehicle.

Only coats, water bottles and book bags in school please.

Thank you so much for the part you have played in reducing the negative impacts that this situation could have had on your child's learning. Our teachers have worked very hard planning, reviewing and responding to work, teaching live lessons and providing additional guidance and support for those children and families who have needed it. Thank you to Mrs Foster for giving up the time to plan and deliver the maths sessions for parents.

The staff in school have worked tirelessly, working around the restrictions to ensure that the key worker children have had continued access to the planning, enabling them to complete their work successfully. The live lessons have enabled the children to keep in touch with each other and we organised the assemblies in order to maintain some sense of community and togetherness.

We have already started assessments and through Teams have completed the phonics assessments. We can see that many children have done well and some have made really good progress. I am confident that our assessments over the next few days and weeks will show the same outcomes for other aspects of learning too. We will therefore be looking to support children with the areas they most need and at the same time extend and challenge those that are ready and able to respond to that.

Next week is science week and we hope you will join in with the Wednesday activity and we are planning to share photos of some of the activities through Class Dojo and Tapestry.

Have a lovely weekend, and I look forward to seeing you on Monday,

Jeremy Fisher

Super Story Scenery



Celebrating World Book Day



MESSAGE FROM GREAT ST MARY'S CHURCH

Fr Simon writes:

It's such good news that you're going to be able to return to school on Monday. Whether you're a pupil, parent, carer, teacher, staff member or governor, Spellbrook is one lovely family, and if there's one thing we've learned over the past year it's that we're made to be in fellowship and community with one another, just as God is relational within Himself: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

And as Spellbrook reopens its gates to all pupils, so Great St Mary's is going to be reopening its doors on a Sunday morning, beginning at 9.30am on March 14th - Mothering Sunday. I do hope you can be there.

Fr Simon



STARS OF THE WEEK

YN - Izzy for having a fabulous first week and being really confident with her new friends.

YR - Amelie for her continuous effort in extending home learning.

Y1 - Grace for always working hard at school and for making a fantastic book box on World Book Day.

Y2 - Lorcan for going above and beyond with the work he has been producing at home.

Y3 - Maizee-Leigh for working exceptionally hard in her maths lessons.

Y4 - Teddy for the fantastic writing that he is producing.

Y5 - Arlo for submerging himself into all things book related to celebrate World Book Day.

Y6 - Ronnie for his outstanding commitment to home learning to the very end and his superb input into live lessons.



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Y6 - Sophie



TTRS

TTRS Leaderboard

1. Alfie D
2. Ranjeet
3. Jasper
4. Sam
5. Joseph



Highest earners from each year group

Y6 Alfie C
Y5 Jasper
Y4 Alfie D
Y3 Finley
Y2 Lorcan
Y1 Flora



PE DAYS

Ruby Class – Tuesday & Thursday
Sapphire Class – Tuesday & Friday
Emerald Class – Wednesday & Friday
Diamond Class – Monday & Wednesday



Please wear PE Kit to school on these days to avoid the need to change.

NEXT WEEKS MENU

Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Pork Sausages with Gravy (Red)❖ Cheese Roll (Green)
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Mars Meatballs with Saturn Rings Spaghetti (Red)❖ Space Shuttle Roll with Moon Cheese (Green)❖ Jupiter Cookies
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Roast Pork (Red)❖ Cheese Roll (Green)
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Quorn Hot Dog (Red)❖ Cheese Roll (Green)
Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Cheese & Tomato Pizza (Red)❖ Cheese Roll (Green)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event
08/03/21	School resumes for all pupils
09/03/21	Mother's Day Gift Shop opens
23/03/21	Bags 2 School
26/03/21	Last Day of Term
29/03/21	Easter Break
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09/04/21	
12/04/21	First Day Back
31/05/21	May Half Term
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04/06/21	
07/06/21	Occasional Day
08/06/21	First Day Back
22/07/21	Last Day of Term

Contact: admin@spellbrook.herts.sch.uk

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Spellbrook PTA Mother's Day Gift Shop

Please bring in your money
from Tuesday 9th March,
until stocks last

*GIFTS WRAPPED
READY FOR
SUNDAY - £3.50*

SPELLBROOK PTA



Tuesday 23rd March

**CLOTHING SHOES
BAGS JEWELLERY
SOFT TOYS CURTAINS
TOWELS BED SHEETS**



Parenting a Child with Anxiety *Light-bite Session*

Topics covered include:

- Look at and understand the different types of anxiety and how to recognise it
- The links between anxiety and stress
- What happens when anxiety overwhelms us
- Share some solution focused tools to support young people manage anxiety

Delivered by:
Sharon Lawton – Award Winning Parent Coach, Natural Flair Coaching Ltd

Date: Thursday 25th March 2021

Time: 7pm – 9pm

Price: *£5.00 per household

Join us on this virtual workshop
via ZOOM!

Access information using a PC or
smartphone will be provided if this
is new for you.



BOOKING INFORMATION

To request a booking form please contact Jo at Aspects by emailing
admin@aspects.org.uk. Please include the name of your child's school.

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our subscribing schools*



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Don't Shout At Me!

5 Steps To A Calmer Family Life



An interactive workshop for parents & carers of children aged 5-11 which allows you to
explore the best ways of approaching angry behaviour and develop a calmer family environment

- Fed up with shouting?
- Are you constantly repeating yourself?
- Getting into constant power struggles with your child?
- Do you want tips and strategies to deal with angry children?
- Want to know how to model and teach safe ways of expressing anger?

Date: Monday 15th March 2021

Time: 7.00pm to 9.00pm

Price: *£5.00 per household

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ZOOM!

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