



# Perryfields Primary PRU



Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Please take the time to read and talk about the newsletter with your child. Thank you.

A message from Mr Hines!

Welcome to our latest edition of the newsletter. As you will see it has been very busy at Perryfields as the children make the most of the opportunities given to them. We are very proud of their efforts across the whole curriculum. Thank you for your excellent support.

## Book of the Month!

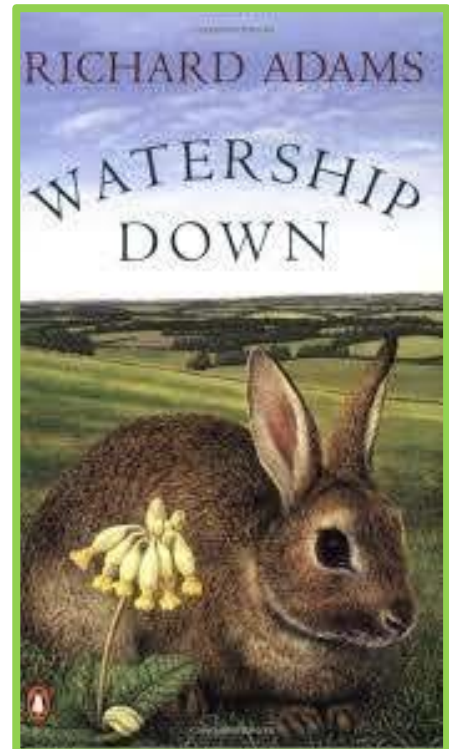
**Staff:** Ms Holt

**Title:** Watership Down

**Author:** Richard Adams

**Genre:** Fiction

Ms Holt's favourite book is Watership Down, by Richard Adams who told the story initially to his own children on a car trip. It tells the adventures encountered when a rabbit named Fiver has a vision that the future of their warren is unsafe and they have to flee from the destruction of their home when it is invaded by man. They have to leave immediately and other rabbits are persuaded to join them on the long journey ahead when Fiver leads them to a safe place. There are so many different and unique characters in this book and it not only teaches the cycle of life but also lessons of kindness, bravery, confidence, perseverance and teamwork.



## Our Reading Challenge!!!

As you are aware the children are taking part in our Reading Challenge. We are asking them to read every night and get you to tick that they have done so. They then get moved along our Superheroes Reading Wall with those reading the most receiving a prize at the end of each half term.

Please encourage them to read every night so they gain the benefits of being a fluent reader.

## FUN FACTS!

By reading for 20 minutes per day you will end up reading 1.8 million words a year!!!

Reading builds self-esteem, vocabulary, feeds imagination and even improves their sleeping patterns.



## World Book Day

The children had lots of reading activities to do as part of World Book Day. They enjoyed having even more time to look at their favourite books.



Well done everyone! Super reading!



## Learning Power:

The Learning Power we are focussing on this half term is being **Collaborative.**

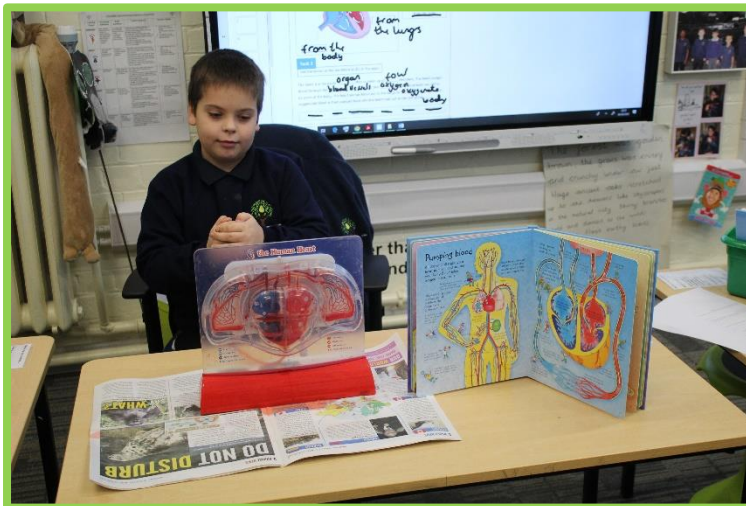
Please promote the power and let us know of any excellent examples of your child showing it at home or in the local Community. These are the skills we are looking for:

- I can be a useful member of any group or team.
- I can listen to others.
- I can share my own ideas.
- I can take part in discussions and listen to others point of view and ideas



### Class 4 Science

Class 4 did some excellent work on how the heart works. Have a read of Archie's excellent explanation below!

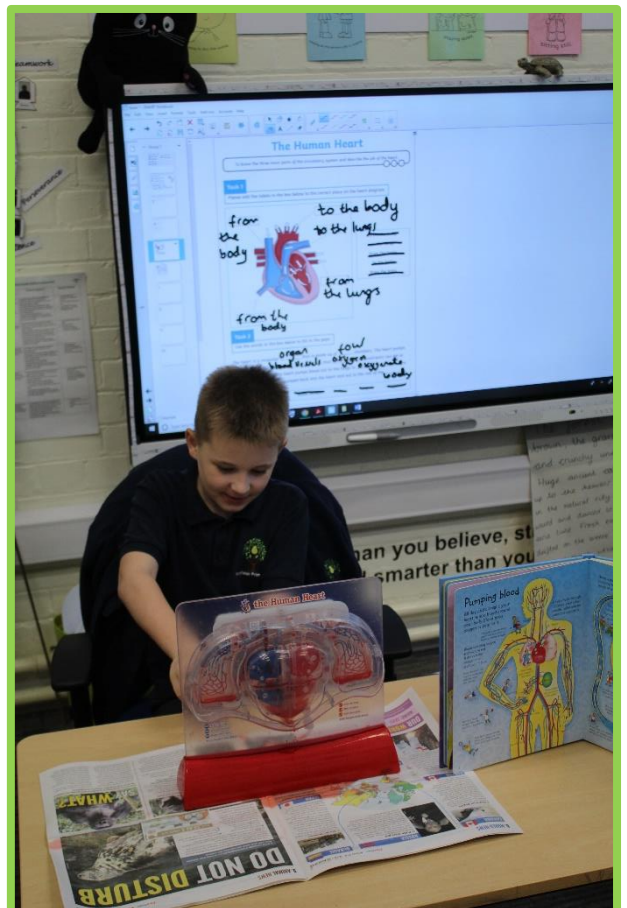


### The Heart by Archie J

The heart is a muscular organ that is made up of four chambers.

The heart pumps blood through the blood vessels so that oxygen and nutrients can get to all parts of the body.

The heart pumps blood out to the lungs to oxygenate it. The oxygenated blood is then pumped back into the heart and out to the rest of the body.



## RAF Falcons

We had visitors from the RAF Falcons who spoke about their job and showed the children how some of their equipment works. As part of our curriculum intent we are always looking to give our pupils aspiration and a number of them were inspired by this session!



## Mr Grindrod's Quote of the Month!

Mr Grindrod has thought about how we can make ourselves feel mentally better!  
**'It may seem you have a long way to go, but look how far you have come.'**



## Birthday Shout Outs!!

We would like to say a big happy birthday to the following children and staff who have had a birthday recently or who have one coming up before the next newsletter!

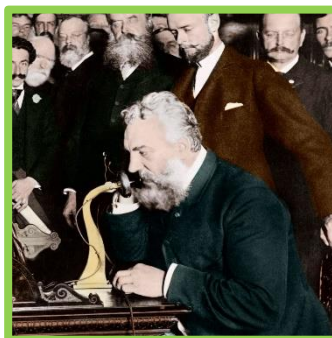
- Alfie



## Pear Game Assemblies

Various social, moral, spiritual and cultural themes are explored in our daily assembly. Over the last month we have looked at:

- Learning Powers
- World Book Day
- Books
- Characters
- International Women's Day
- Alexander Graham Bell



**Coming Soon:**  
Festivals, Mother's Day, St. Patricks Day, Ramadan, Easter.

## Royal Horticultural Society – Big Seed Sow

We are taking part in a nationwide week of action encouraging communities to get growing and improving our local environment. This starts on 27<sup>th</sup> March so watch this space for how we get on.



### Topic Work

The children have been looking at Medieval Times and the Romans in their topic work. We have had the History Man visiting us to give the pupils first hand experiences and engage them in follow up work.



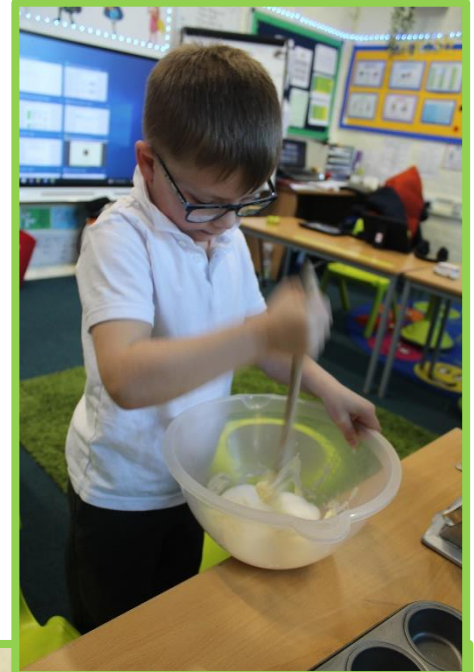






### The Perryfields Curriculum

Please take the time to have a look at some of the different lessons the younger children have been doing in Class 1. The following pictures show a range of activities including practical maths, writing, food technology, clay sculpture, music and design technology. We aim to give them a broad, balanced, ambitious and interesting curriculum and this is just a flavour of what they do!





## Parents Wellbeing Zone!

We are committed to supporting the physical and mental health of our pupils and families.

We will regularly signpost you to useful support organisations or resources that may help you and/or your child flourish in the community.

<b>Samaritans</b> – Tel: 116 123 or <a href="http://www.samaritans.org">www.samaritans.org</a>
<b>Wellbeing Hub</b> – Tel: 01905 766124 or <a href="http://worcestershire.wellbeinghub.org.uk">http://worcestershire.wellbeinghub.org.uk</a>
<b>Worcestershire Healthy Minds</b> Tel: 0300 302 1313 or <a href="http://www.worcestershirehealthyminds.whct.nhs.uk/">www.worcestershirehealthyminds.whct.nhs.uk/</a>
<b>Mind</b> – Tel: 0300 123 3393 or <a href="https://www.mind.org.uk/">https://www.mind.org.uk/</a>
<b>Text WOO to 85258</b>
<b>Kooth.com</b>

WOO is a free 24/7 confidential and anonymous service open to all ages. They are dedicated specialists who can offer support with mental and emotional health.

### Kooth

**Visit kooth.com to access a mental wellbeing community. Kooth PLC is a digital mental health and wellbeing company working to provide a welcoming space for digital mental health care, available to all. They are highly recommended by Worcestershire County Council.**

### Cost of Living

#### Local foodbanks:

Worcester Foodbank 7 Lowesmoor Wharf, Worcester WR1 2RS

Droitwich Foodbank Droitwich Baptist Church Ombersley Street East WR9 8QS

Malvern Hills Foodbank Unit 4 Spring Court, Spring Lane South, Malvern, WR14 1AT

Kidderminster Foodbank Blackwell Street, Kidderminster DY10 2DP

Pershore Foodbank Church Walk, Pershore, WR10

Redditch Foodbank 24 Church Green E, Redditch B98 8DE

Please see attached the Families in Partnership Newsletter. This has a lot of support resources including free training workshops for parents and carers.

### Asthma

Please contact the team on 0330 053 4356 (Option 2) or email [hw.childrensasthmateam@nhs.net](mailto:hw.childrensasthmateam@nhs.net)

#### **HANDi App: Information and guidance on common childhood illnesses**

The HANDi Paediatric app is now available to parents across Herefordshire and Worcestershire which is free to download onto any Apple device via the App Store or any Android device via the Google Play Store.

The HANDi Paediatric app, developed by NHS organisations across Worcestershire, provides advice and support to parents and carers of children up to eleven years of age when their child is unwell. It contains information about when and how to ask for help thereby giving parents more confidence in dealing with minor childhood health care conditions. The HANDi app offers simple and straightforward advice for the following conditions in children:

- Diarrhoea and vomiting, high temperature, 'chesty baby' illnesses, such as bronchiolitis, asthma, and croup, 'chesty child' illnesses such as wheezing and asthma, abdominal pain and common newborn problems.



Worcestershire Early Help Partnership want to hear from parents, carers, children and young people in Wychavon and Redditch on what help, support and services they need and how they prefer to access this.

Anyone who completes the Family Hub Consultation will have the opportunity to enter a **free prize draw to win one of four £50 supermarket shopping vouchers**. The surveys are anonymous, confidential and open to everyone living in Wychavon or Redditch. Go to [www.worcestershire.gov.uk/familyhub](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/familyhub) and scroll down to 'Family Hub Consultation' to take the survey.

A reminder that you can access information about resources, services, support, activities and events for children and young people who have Special Educational Needs, including those who don't have an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) at this link [www.worcestershire.gov.uk/send-local-offer-0](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/send-local-offer-0)



### **Free Easter holiday club & food!**

If your child has free school meals they are entitled to a free holiday club during the Easter holidays with lunch each day. You will need to register for this at [www.haf-it.co.uk](http://www.haf-it.co.uk) as soon as possible and then choose the venue/holiday activities that you would like.

If your child does not receive free school meals but you feel that they would benefit from this, please contact Julie Ferman (Safeguarding Lead) via the school office on 01905 427011.

### **Important Dates Coming Up.**

**Break up for Easter – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March**

**Pupils return to school – Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April (school is not open on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April due to a Teacher Training Day)**

**May Bank Holiday - Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May**

**King's Coronation Day – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May**

**Spring Bank Holiday – Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May**



