



Perryfields Primary PRU



Friday 22nd March 2024

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. The children have had a very successful Spring Term and we look forward to the summer and the new learning opportunities that will bring.

We are delighted with the children's progress and attitudes to learning which has led to a lot of compliments from the many visitors that we have to Perryfields, as well as when out on trips to other places.

Starting next term we are trialling the provision of hot school meals for children in Reception-Year2 and those who are entitled to free school meals in Years 3-6. If your child brings their own lunch please continue to do so.

We are receiving the meals from Pitmaston Primary School, to whom we are very grateful. They have an excellent local reputation and the menu meets the required nutritional standards. The latest Food Hygiene Rating was 5/5 and we are confident that the children will enjoy the meals.

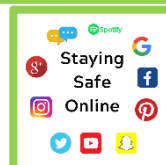
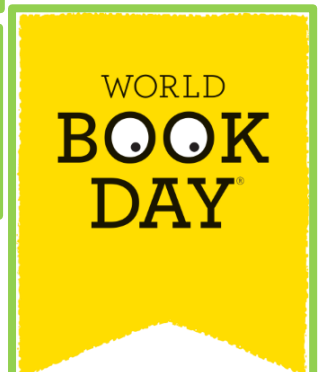
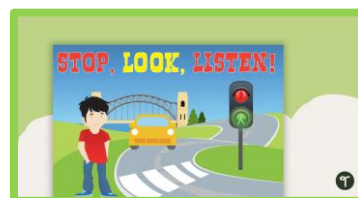
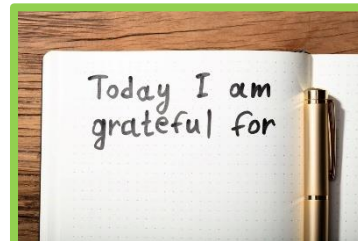
Please note that Monday the 8th April is a Teacher Education Day so we will welcome the children back on Tuesday 9th April.

Thank you for your continued support of the school.

Pear Game Assemblies

Since the last newsletter we have looked at things such as:

- National Inventor Day
- Staying Healthy
- Love Your Pet Day
- Gratitude is a superpower
- Does size really matter?
- The gift of giving
- Sunscreen and staying safe
- How to brush your teeth
- Would you like to be a leaping?
- Practice makes perfect
- Science behind the brain and happiness
- How to solve arguments
- Reading for pleasure
- World Book Day
- Good memories
- Show the world your magic
- Stay safe online
- Road safety



The assemblies are planned to give the children a broad curriculum and address some important aspects regarding their personal development. We want them to have the knowledge to stay safe, healthy and be responsible citizens of the future.

Books to Read before you leave Primary School

Title: Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?

Author: Eric Carle

Genre: Fiction

Exuberantly coloured artwork and favourite animals make this rhythmic story the perfect introduction to looking and learning about colours.

Pupil Book of the Month!

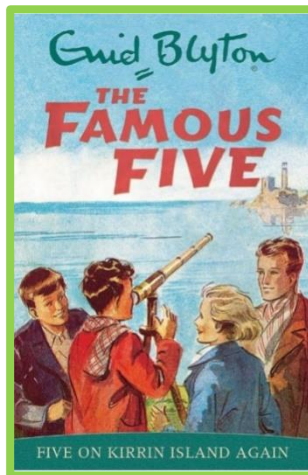
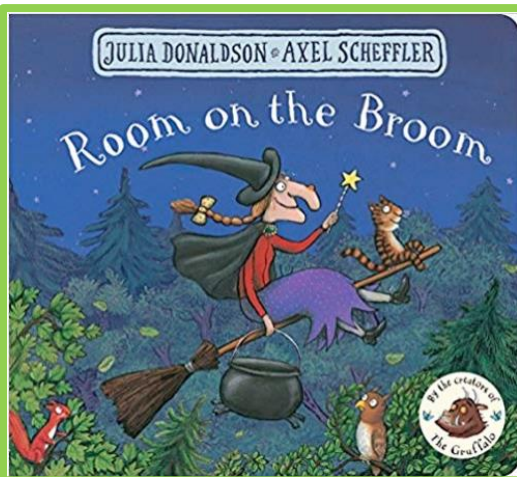
Pupil: Alfie G

Title: Room on the Broom

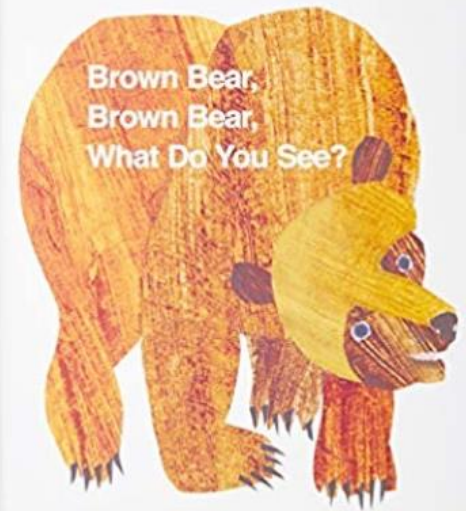
Author: Julia Donaldson

Genre: Fiction

The witch and her cat are happily flying through the sky on a broomstick when the wind picks up and blows away the witch's hat, then her bow, and then her wand! Luckily, three helpful animals find the missing items, and all they want in return is a ride on the broom. But is there room on the broom for so many friends?



Bill Martin Jr / Eric Carle



Staff Book of the Month!

Staff: Ms J Ferman

Title: Five on Kirrin island Again

Author: Enid Blyton

Genre: Fiction

What can Uncle Quentin be up to - all alone - on Kirrin Island. He won't let anyone visit - not even George and the rest of the Famous Five. But Quentin isn't really all alone on the island - somebody is watching his every move!

Well done to the children who have completed the Reading Challenge by reading at home every night!

- George
- Jack
- Freddie
- Tommy
- Marley



The Gift of Reading

The children learn how to read by taking part in daily phonics sessions. We use the Read, Write, Inc. Programme to ensure they have a sequenced approach to learning phonics, which will subsequently improve their speech, language, reading and writing skills. All of the staff are trained in this approach so the children receive a high quality education.



RE at Perryfields

We use the Worcestershire Agreed Syllabus for our RE curriculum. Within this a number of beliefs and religions are explored but the six main ones are:

- Christianity
- Islam
- Hinduism
- Judaism
- Sikhism
- Buddhism

The children will understand what life is like for the followers of different religions and some of the community and celebration practices. There are visits to places of worship and pupils will also look at artefacts and symbols. Our children particularly enjoy the stories associated with the religions and discussing their opinions with one another. This term the children have been looking at the Easter Story.

Archie J's Easter Quiz!

See him with your answers! You will get a prize for finding the answers out!

1. In Holy Communion, what does the bread represent?
2. What celebration is associated with the Last Supper?
3. Who betrayed Jesus?
4. How did Jesus die?
5. What does the egg represent in the Easter Story?



Religious Education Lesson

L.O To make clear connections between the Christians belief in Jesus' death as a sacrifice and how Christians celebrate Holy Communion/ Lord's Supper.

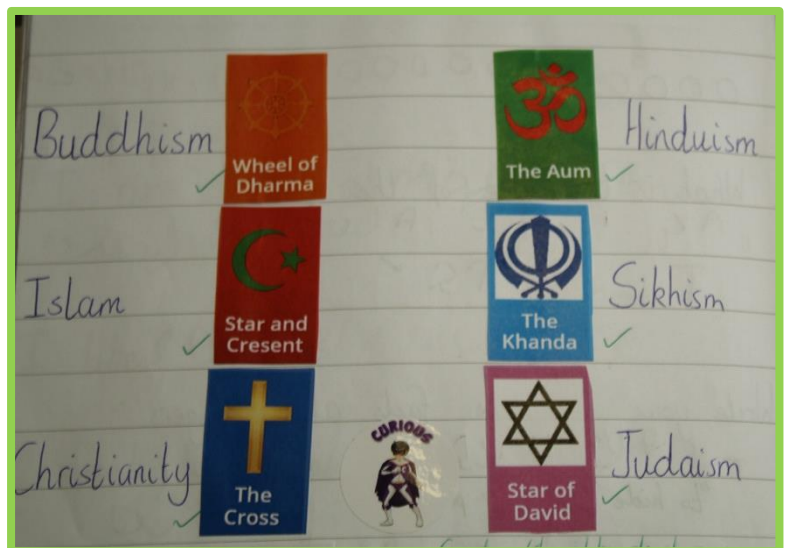
1. Why was Jesus angry when he arrived at the temple? *because Jesus was god*
2. Who betrayed Jesus? *Judas*
3. How was Jesus killed? *crucifixion*



Super retrieval!

Special foods are sometimes eaten on special occasions. Write down as many special foods as you can think of and when they are eaten.

Special food.	When it is eaten.
<i>Perkate</i> ✓	<i>on pentecost day</i>
<i>Turkey</i> ✓	<i>christmas day</i>
<i>ester egg</i> ✓	<i>ester</i>
<i>wedding cake</i> ✓	<i>weddings</i>
<i>hot cross buns</i> ✓	<i>ester</i>
	<i>Easter</i>



The History Man – Mexico and the Mayans

Classes 3 and 4 welcomed the History Man to Perryfields. They had specialist teaching about Mexico and the Mayans and were able to handle many artefacts and dress up. As per usual they had a fantastic time and were able to retrieve and recall key knowledge after the session.



Learning Powers

The Learning Power we are focussing on next half term is being **curious**:

- I can ask questions
- I can find out using a variety of resources
- I am keen and eager to find out myself



Jack and the Beanstalk

The younger children have been learning all about the tale of Jack and the Beanstalk. They have been doing lots of cross curricular tasks around this famous story.



A big well done and thank you to Blake who as part of his gardening and outdoor learning project has replanted some of our flower beds on the Eastern side.



Excellent job!



Attendance at Perryfields

We feel it is important to share with you the exceptional attendance figures at Perryfields. We are really pleased that the positive relationships pupils have with staff and one another, flourishing parent partnerships and an engaging and purposeful curriculum all contribute to outstanding attendance.

We will be doing a special feature on each newsletter updating you on our class competition and celebrating individuals who attend regularly.

Class	Average Attendance % at Perryfields
1	93.7
2	94.5
3	94.8
4	93.7

The current leaders are Class 3 who have managed an average attendance of 94.8% since September! Well done to all the children!

The other classes are hot on their heels though so every day counts!

A big well done to Freddie who has had 100% attendance since he arrived at Perryfields!



Congratulations to the following children who have 100% attendance in March:

- Archie H
- Levi
- George
- Reggie

Attendance Fact
A pupil who ends the school year on 90% attendance will have missed four complete weeks of school.



Mr Grindrod's Quote of the Month!

'Accepting help from other people does not mean that you are weak, it shows you are smart!'



Cadbury World

As part of their topic on Mexico and the Mayans Classes 3 and 4 visited Cadbury World. They found out about the history of the Cadbury family and discovered how chocolate was made.

Also, they saw many exhibits and recognised how cocoa beans were such a valuable commodity, as well as tasting chocolate! They had a great time and their behaviour and engagement in the learning experience was excellent.



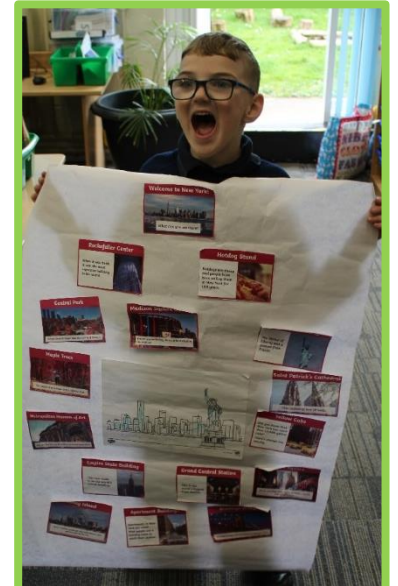
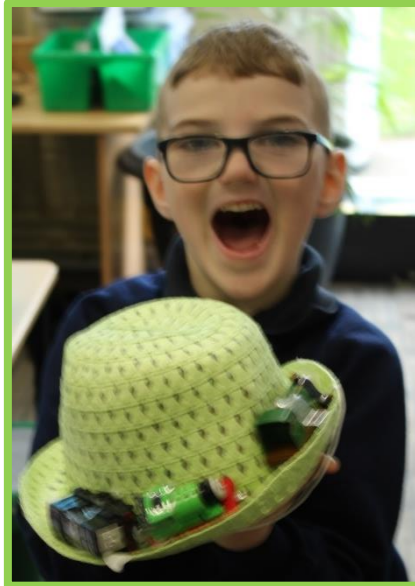
TT Rockstars

A huge congratulations to Riley for being top of the TT Rockstars Times tables Challenge! This is due to him accessing and answering multiplication and division questions on the I Pad. Every child has a login and can use this programme at home.



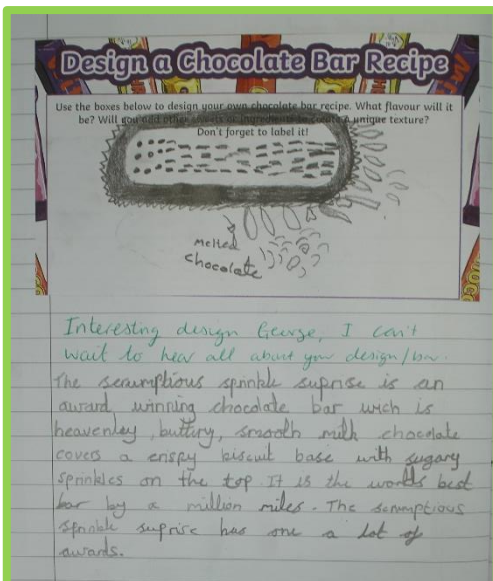
The Perryfields Homework Challenge!

A big well done to Alfie who have completed the 16 homework tasks during this half term and received his reward of a £10 WH Smiths gift voucher! A selection of homework is on a display board in school and well done to a number of them who got close to finishing the tasks. All pupils will start again next half term as new homework grids will shortly be available on the school website.



Chocolate!!!

Classes 3 and 4 have been chocolate tasting and creating powerful and persuasive language to design, describe and advertise their own chocolate bars. They have produced some fantastic writing through this process and have thoroughly enjoyed the lessons.

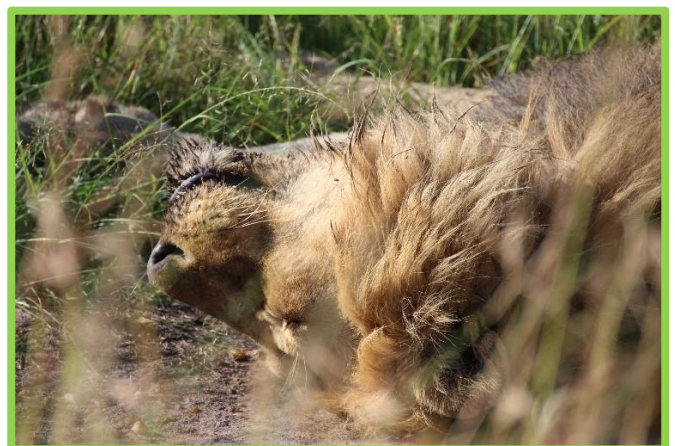


Kenya Partnership – Blooming Shoots Education Centre

Mr Ben took his annual trip to Kenya to visit our partner school. They sent some wonderful videos back to us and he also captured a number of very impressive and up close photographs of some wildlife he encountered on safari in Massa Mara! This is a passion of his and hopefully they will appear once more in the Travel Africa magazine.



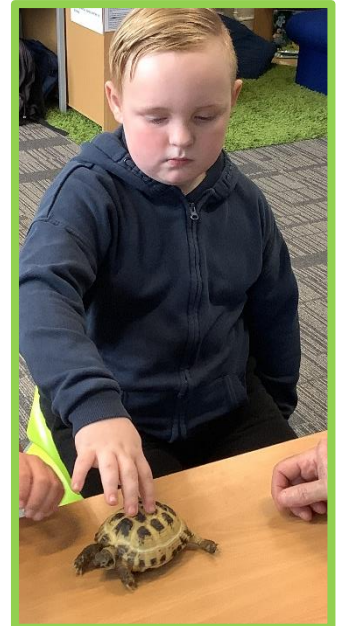
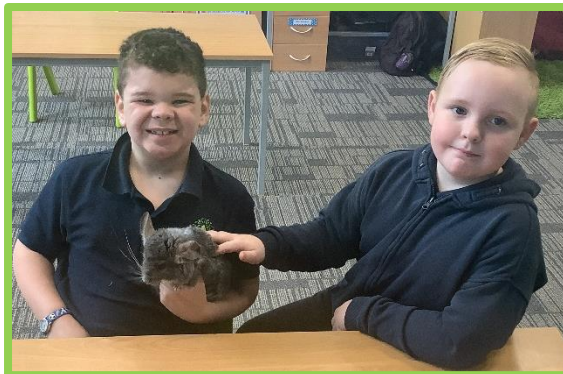
Blooming Shoots Education Centre cater for children from pre-school through to age 8. They are going through an exciting period of bidding for a grant from their government in order to expand and upgrade their facilities. In Kenya you have to pay for education and some of the children have to walk or run to school – for some of them this is a journey of up to 5 miles!



Animal Mania!

We welcomed Animal Mania to school and learned all about different and unusual animals and their habitats. We found out about how to look after them responsibly and their different behaviours and diets.





Lifeskills Programme
 As part of a Lifeskills Programme Blake and Archie took Mrs Davis and Mr Harrison on a train journey, showing them how to read timetables, buy tickets and use their initiative when dealing with problems.



River Severn and Worcester Cathedral Trip
 Well done to Elijah and Alfie who as part of their weather topic visited the River Severn to see the effects of flooding. They also spent some time in Worcester Cathedral to see a real life place of worship.



Parent 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.

Contacting Children's services

Family Front Door: 01905 822666 (Office Hrs) 01905 768020 (Emergency Out of Hrs)

The Emergency Deputy Team (EDT): 01905 768020

Get Safe (Child Exploitation): 01905 845568 / getsafe@worcschildrenfirst.org.uk

**If you have reason to believe that a child, young person or adult is at immediate risk from harm
CALL 999**

Are you worried about domestic abuse or conflict in your relationship?

Women's Aid 24hr Helpline - 0800 980 3331

Male Domestic Abuse 24 hr Helpline - 0800 014 9082

[Money Helper](#) - free debt advice

If you're struggling with debt, it can be hard to know where to turn. But with lots of free advice services available across the UK, you can find help in a way that's best for you. Free Debt Adviser, click the link above and search for support in your local town.

Local food banks

Worcester City (Mon, Tue, Wed & Fri 11am—2pm)
0808 2082138 7 Lowesmoor Wharf, Worcester WR1 2RS

Droitwich (Tues 1pm—3pm & Fri)
07532 130604 / 07532 130604 Droitwich Baptist Church,
Ombersley Street East, WR9 8QS

Redditch & Bromsgrove (Mon—Thursday 11am —2pm
& Fri 10am— 1pm) 01527 69161 Number 24, Church
Green East, Redditch, B98 8DE

[Help for households](#)

- Income Support
- Finding Work
- Energy Bills—Cost of Living Payments
- Childcare Costs
- Household costs
- Childcare Costs

Help for Households

Online safety

Use [Perryfields' free online safety hub](#) to find out about the latest apps, how to put parental controls onto devices, how to report concerns and much more!

<https://perryfieldsprimarypru.onlinesafetyhub.uk>

Mental Health Support

Mind. Information and Support on mental health. <https://www.mind.org.uk/information-support>

National Self Harm Network <https://www.nshn.co.uk>

Samaritans <https://www.samaritans.org>

The Ollie Foundation. Mental health charity for young people <https://theolliefoundation.org/contact>

Mental health support in Worcestershire <https://www.talkingtherapies.hwhct.nhs.uk/localsupport>

Mental health support for children in Worcestershire <https://camhs.hacw.nhs.uk/reach4wellbeing>

Place2Be - <https://www.place2be.org.uk/>

[Too Good To Go.](#)

Use the app to explore shops and restaurants in your local area and save Surprise Bags of surplus food from going to waste at a great price.



Key Dates Coming Up.....

Tuesday 9th April - Pupils back to school

Friday 24th May – Break up for Summer Half Term

Monday 3rd June – Teacher Education Day – no pupils in school

Tuesday 4th June – Pupils back to school

Friday 19th July – Break up for Summer Holidays

