

Reminder: Please keep the school office informed of updates to mobile telephone numbers. Thank you

Spot Light on Excellence...

WW1 Aviation Trust - Simulator Day

The National Arboretum asked Dordon to take part in a WW1 aviation day. The aim of this exciting opportunity was to inform the children of the challenges that the early aviators overcame and inspire the children to look at aviation as a possible career path one hundred plus years later – pilot, systems operator, engineer, manager, air traffic. The opportunities are endless.

The Civil Aviation Authority funded the WW1 Aviation Heritage Trust to visit 50 schools over a 12 month period and one hundred and thirty-seven schools applied so Dordon is one of the lucky ones.

Year 5 and 6 pupils got the chance to fly in a WW1 simulator on any one of 6 missions in the VR programme mounted on a flight simulator of 1915 design. The day included a quiz on the life of the amazing pilot who designed the simulator which finished with a drawing competition at the end of each quiz session.

The children were also challenged to write their own poem about WW1 on seeded paper to be flown to Northern France next year and dropped at suitable sites for our French counterparts to collect, read, plant and then send their own back. There were even prizes for the winners of each competition. The children had a wonderful day which enabled them to experience what it would be like to work in aviation. We want our children to reach for the stars and see what the world has to offer. What a fabulous day for all thank you to Dick, Ed and Ant who taught us so much.

Have a relaxing weekend Dordon!

Miss McGroarty
 Associate Headteacher



Safeguarding for Parents/Carers



The NSPCC website offers information for families on the topics outlined below:

- Supporting a child who has mental health problems
- What parents can do about self-harm
- Online safety information for parents
- Advice on talking to children about drugs and alcohol
- Help talking about difficult topics
- Talk PANTS with your child (the underwear rule)
- Helping children deal with divorce and separation

<https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/research-resources/leaflets/parent-leaflets>

Dordon Primary are taking part in the Big Walk and Wheel

Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel is the UK's largest walking, wheeling, scooting and cycling to school challenge. The challenge runs from Monday 11 March- Friday 22 March 2024. Last year the Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel challenge helped avoid just under 1,900 tonnes of CO2 and just over 3,000 kg NOx emissions (if the children who took part had come to school in cars instead).

We are asking as many children as possible to walk or wheel to school if they can. There will be fantastic prizes up for grabs on every day of the challenge. Schools that get over 15% of their pupils taking part on each day will be entered into the daily prize draw. Prizes include accessories and equipment to help our school travel actively. The more children we have making active journeys the better chance we have of winning a prize!



Go get ready for the Big Walk and Wheel Challenge!

WORLD BOOK DAY

READ YOUR WAY!




UNLEASH YOUR READING SUPERPOWER...

When: Thursday 7th March

What to wear: Children are welcome to dress up as a book character or they can come in comfy clothes ready to read

What will the children bring home: Each child will bring home a £1 book token to spend at multiple retailers (Asda, Blackwell's (selected stores only), Sainsburys, Tesco, The Works, Waterstones)

Family resources: There are free audio books as well as a wealth of ideas to support reading for pleasure at home on <https://www.worldbookday.com/>



Swan

Here is what Swan class have enjoyed this week:

"I enjoyed learning about 'The Secret of Black Rock'." Lola

"This week I have enjoyed talking about our trip." Thiven

"This week I have enjoyed writing." Willow D

"This week I have enjoyed learning about the RNLI." Freddie


"I have enjoyed making a beach hut." Darcie

"This week I have enjoyed talking about the beach." Ari

Attendance		
	Week	Year
Peacock	92.5%	92.2%
Kingfisher	90%	93.5%
Swan	88.7%	92.3%
Owl	86.8%	94.6%
Swift	92.9%	92%
Hawk	97.4%	93.7%
Falcon	94.1%	94.1%

Last weeks Postcards Home	
Peacock	= Darcey
Kingfisher	= Willow
Swan	= Thiven
Owl	= Jack C
Swift	= Howard
Hawk	= Isabelle
Falcon	= Max

Who's Who



Mrs Eastaff
Hello, my name is Mrs Eastaff. I work two afternoons a week, in Peacock class, and this is my fourth year working at Dordon School. No two days are the same in Peacock class, and I love to see what exciting things the children are learning about each week. The rest of the week, I work at Wood End School, where I support some children in Dragonfly class (year 2), and also provide a nurture provision for children who may need some emotional, social and mental health support. I enjoy spending time with my family and I really enjoy visiting cat cafes with my two daughters. I also enjoy reading and read every day.

WORLD BOOK DAY

THURSDAY 7TH MARCH


MENU

'The Browns' Pork Meatballs in Tomato Gravy served with Spaghetti (SB.SU.G)
Or
(V)Aunt Lucy's Vegetable Creamy Korma Curry with Rice (D)

Served with Vegetables of the day or salad

PADDINGTON'S MENU

Paddington's Orange Drizzle Cake (G.E)



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Allergen Key:
V - Vegetarian
G - Gluten
D - Dairy
E - Egg
SB - Soya
SU - Sugar

Please note that the Jacket Potato and Sandwich option will still be available to choose.

WORLD BOOK DAY 2024 TRUST COMPETITION

FOR ALL STUDENTS AGED 4-18

TO ENTER: design a "one pager" sheet about your favourite book


Your pages can include information about the plot, your favourite parts of the book, reasons why it should be read, a description of the book using just 3 words, or any other information you want to include. Be as imaginative and colourful as possible- include drawings of the cover, favourite characters and/or the most exciting scenes.

PRIZES FOR 1ST, 2ND AND 3RD PLACE ENTRIES: WIN UP TO £30 WORTH OF BOOK VOUCHERS!

Please complete on A3-sized landscape paper and hand in to your teacher by **Tuesday 5th March**.

Scan the QR code to see some fantastic inspiration from Birchwood Primary School





Dordon's Bake Sale

On **Friday 15th March 2024**, our school council will be hosting a bake sale in the school hall.

Please support us by baking or donating cakes or biscuits, which we will then sell during breaktime on Friday and straight after school. All money raised will go to this year's charity, **The Dordon Community Store**.

Please send your child into school with a small donation, so they can purchase a cake at breaktime.

Thank you for your support!





HAPPY EASTER

We will be holding a KS1 Easter bonnet parade and a KS2 decorate your own egg competition on Friday 22nd March.

Parents will be invited into school to watch the Easter bonnet parade at 9am and parents of KS2 children will have the opportunity to view the egg gallery after school on the same day.

There will be a prize for the best Easter bonnet and the most creative eggs (you could recreate a TV programme using eggs, give Dordon an egg-cellent make over...the more creative the better!)

We look forward to seeing your entries!

