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### WE'RE IN THE PAPERS!

We were so proud to see our amazing new library hit the local papers! In yesterday's paper on page 21 of the Banbury Guardian, we had our very own spot, where we proudly showcased our new library and how much we are driven to become good readers. Well done everyone!

### \*\*\*New school uniform will be compulsory as of September 2017\*\*\*

A reminder to all parents that **the school is providing a £3 voucher for each child** towards the new uniform. Vouchers are ready to collect from the school office. I would like to thank the governors of the school for being so generous in this offer. Our new school uniform has been noted by visitors and children as something to be very proud of. A top tip – don't leave all the expense for the summer 😊



**Thank you to everyone for your support with our Tesco bid for cash. We are eagerly awaiting the results and will update you as soon as we can.**



We are now actively using a twitter account. Please follow us and keep yourself updated with exciting things that are happening at school. Our twitter handle is:  
#WMprimary\_banbury

### WORLD BOOK DAY

We had an excellent day celebrating the 20<sup>th</sup> World Book Day. All of the staff and children dressed up as their favourite book characters. An amazing effort by everybody!

Every class spent the day exploring and enjoying books and reading, creating artwork, performing drama and designing comic books. The whole school was treated to a story from 'The Cat in the Hat' and Mary Poppins!!

The school also launched its Extreme Reading Challenge and introduced the William Morris Reading Raffle. More information on this will follow.



### YEAR 1 PARENTS

A BIG thank-you to all our year 1 parents who attended the phonics screening update. It was so lovely to all of you and it was very encouraging to know that we have such positive and keen parents. We have full confidence the children are going to do very well this year 😊

### YEAR 2 PARENTS

Don't forget there is a very important meeting next Wednesday at 3:15pm and repeated again at 6pm. This meeting will give you all the information you need to know regarding the Year 2 (Key Stage 1) SATs tests which all children will be doing in May.

## FREE FAMILY LEARNING CLASSES

This is a very exciting addition to our family. We have been fortunate enough to be able to secure some help from the family support team who are able to come out to our school and provide a FREE teacher to work with parents on helping you to help your children. This is an amazing find and usually you would have to pay for this so we strongly encourage any parent who is able to free themselves up in the morning, to come along and learn how your children learn. The quickest way to get your children's levels up and help them achieve higher, is to support them at home. **PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE** sign up to this wonderful offer.

The courses on offer will be:

- **Phonics/Reading on a Friday morning 9am – 11am – starting Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March for 3 weeks**
- **Maths in the morning 9.30 – 11.30am – day and start date to be confirmed for 5 weeks**

The winning house for the week is:

**Big Ben**



### Diary dates for upcoming events:

**Year 2 parents** – there will be a meeting at 3:15 repeated at 6:00 on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March** to let parents know about the Year 2 SATs test which all Year 2 children will take in May/June. It is important that all Year 2 parents attend one of the meetings. There will be a creche available at the 3.15pm meeting.

**FOWM (Friends of William Morris)** – The next meeting for this is on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> of March, 3:05pm in Year 6. Child care is available in Year 1.

**Year 6 Tuition** - Tutoring takes place on **Mondays 3.15-4.15pm.**

**Open Classroom Event** – we love parents coming in to school to share in the children's learning and fun. Please note the following dates for your children:

**Oak Class** – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March (**Oak** 8.40 – 10.00am, **Acorn** – 12 – 12.45pm)

**Wattle Class** – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April (2:40pm – 3:05pm)

**Willow Class** – Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April (2:40pm – 3:05pm)

**Elm Class** – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April (2:40pm – 3:05pm)

**Chery Class** – Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April (2:40pm – 3:05pm)

**Redwood Class** – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April (1:00pm – 1:30pm)

**Clubs next week** – Monday Football, Wednesday Dance, Thursday Gardening, Thursday Drama, Friday Card Sharks Club. Please see the school office for further details.

**Break-up day** – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April at 1:30pm.

HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND AND SEE YOU ON MONDAY

*Hiddleston*

*Julie Hiddleston and the school team*