

Nazeing Primary Newsletter



8th March 2024

Message From The Headteacher

It has been a very busy week.... Yesterday, the school was transformed into characters from a variety of books. The children and staff all looked amazing, and it was lovely to hear why they chose their character and about their favourite books. The kitchen team supported this event and decorated the serving area in a Harry Potter theme and linked the menu to a book theme. Earlier this week, we were treated to dance workshops where the children were using Pinocchio as the base for their performance. Well done Nazeing, a great week!

YEAR 1 PHONICS

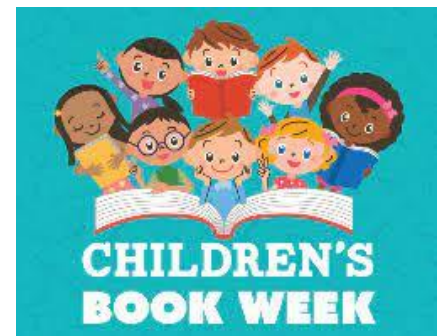
Thank you to those parents who attended the meeting this week. I do hope you found it informative. Please do not hesitate to speak with your child's teacher if you would like any additional information or ways to support at home. The powerpoint will be uploaded to the website.

BOOK WEEK

It was lovely to see all the children taking part in this event. The children, and staff, came dressed as characters from a variety of books and this generated many discussions about books from different genres throughout the day. The children also brought home a book token that can be redeemed in a participating shop. I do hope you take advantage of looking at the free books that the children can choose from.

The shops are:

- Your local independent bookseller
- Asda
- Blackwell's (selected stores only)
- Sainsburys
- Tesco
- The Works
- Waterstones
- WHSmith



On Tuesday and Wednesday, all classes participated in 'Pinocchio' dance workshops which were thoroughly enjoyed by the children. They explored the story of Pinocchio through the medium of dance.



MOTHERS' DAY SHOP

Thank you to the Nazeing Parent, Teacher and Friends Association for running the Mother's Day Shop this week. Children were able to buy some lovely gifts and enjoyed spending their pocket money. A total of £457 was raised from this event which will go towards the PTFA funds.



LITTLE PRINCESS TRUST

One of our Year 5 pupils, Aiden, has been growing his hair and has recently had 11 inches cut off which he has donated to The Little Princes Trust. The charity provides free real hair wigs to children and young people, up to 24 years, who have lost their own hair through cancer treatment or other conditions. Well done Aiden!

CHANGE TO PE

Next week children in **Red, Blue** will have PE on Monday and Thursday. **Silver Class** will have PE on Monday and Friday and **Lime Class** will have PE on Tuesday and Friday.

COMIC RELIEF

We will once again be participating in Red Nose Day for Comic Relief on Friday 15th March. On that day, the children can come to school wearing a Red Nose/Comic Relief T-shirt or something red in exchange for a donation which we will send on to the charity.



I am pleased to commend the following children this week:

Red Class:	Mila , for working hard on her sentence writing.	Copper Class:	Tia , for consistently working hard throughout assessment week.
Blue Class	Miran , for always trying hard.	Aqua Class:	Frank , for always trying his best in everything he does.
Green Class:	Alfie R , for good contributions to class discussions.	Lime Class:	Georgia M , for her super newspaper article.
Yellow Class:	Toby , for working hard in all of our topic lessons this week.	Amber Class	Mia , for always being kind, considerate and helpful in class and around the school.
Purple Class:	Archie , for excellent History work.	Silver Class:	Olivia , for her creative and well-structured newspaper article about Juliane Koepcke, the girl who fell from the sky.
Burgundy Class:	Ralph , for working hard in Maths.		

ATTENDANCE

The Attendance Bears, Milo and Buttons, were awarded today to the infant and junior classes with the highest weekly attendance. Congratulations this week to **COPPER CLASS** with an attendance of 98.8% and **BLUE CLASS**, for the second week running, with an attendance of 99.1%. Overall school attendance was as follows:



Red Class	92.4%	Amber Class	93.6%
Blue Class	99.1%	Burgundy Class	95.2%
Yellow Class	86.8%	Copper Class	98.8%
Purple Class	90.8%	Lime Class	88.4%
Green Class	94.1%	Silver Class	92.5%
Aqua Class	93%		

The number of children this week with 100% attendance is 219, well done to you all!

LATENESS

We are having more and more children arriving late for school, some on a regular basis. This impacts their learning time and also disrupts the class when children are entering the room late. This is a reminder that Reception children should be in school no later than 8.45am and the doors open for years 1 to 6 at 8.50am. Please see attached Essex County Council's punctuality information.

HEALTH & SAFETY

Please remember that, for the safety of all our pupils and staff, we are a nut and banana free school. This includes food products that include these ingredients.

Children should not be using the play equipment in the Reception Classes area before or after school. This should only be used during the school day when supervised by a school member of staff.

MESSAGE FROM NAZEING PARENT, TEACHER & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

The PTA would be most grateful to receive any suitable, unused gifts that can be used for the Easter raffle. Please send these into the school office.

SCHOOL MEALS

There will be an increase in the cost of school meals with effect from 1st April 2024. The price of a child's school dinner will be increased to £2.95. A reminder that school meals should be paid for in advance and we encourage all parents to pre-order children's meals from home through School Grid. If you believe that your child is entitled to receive free school meals, please let the school office know. **Next week we will be following the menu for Week 3.**

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Jane Pomfret
Headteacher