



# NEWSLETTER

## Thursday 27th February 2025

### WEEKLY CLASS FOCUS



Drum class have settled back in after half term and launched into their new topic 'Delicious Fruit'. Their story is Handa's Surprise and they have met Handa on her journey to take a basket of fruit to her friend Akeyo. The pupils have found out which seven fruits Handa chose to take and which cheeky animals steal her fruit.

The class looked at, touched or smelled the different fruits. Lincoln and Charlotte got braver as they worked through the fruits, touching the avocado and looking at the passionfruit. Some of them tasted them too — Jesse loved them all except the passionfruit and Carter found out he likes mango.

In cooking Drum class will be making smoothies and going to visit Kenyons, the greengrocers, to buy the fruits they need. In art the focus is printing and they will be using fruit to print, as well as attempting to make fruit shapes by printing with other items.





In our The World sessions the children will be learning about growing plants: their parts, different types and what they need. They will be planting their own seeds and looking after some plants. This half term isn't long enough to grow fruits but hopefully some of the Drum children will prove to have green fingers so they can grow something!

In PE the focus is dance and they have started exploring dancing with scarves. They have boogied to a fantastic song telling the story of what the fruit in your kitchen gets up to at night. If you want to listen it's based on a book called Kitchen Disco by Clare Foges and Al Murphy and can be found on YouTube! The class has also tried to follow instructions using scarves in different ways, such as holding it in the air and waving it left and right.



## **WORLD BOOK DAY**

### ***Reminder.....***

The official date is Thursday 6th March, when we will be celebrating by having a themed lunch at school. However our dressing up day will be on **Friday, 7th March**.



Our theme is “The Icknield Bear Hunt”. Classes will be reading a different book which has a bear as the main character. Children are invited to dress up as a book character if they wish, this can be related to the theme if they like, or any character of their choice. They are also invited to bring a teddy from home as classes will be pairing up for a teddy bears picnic where books will be shared whilst having a snack with their teddy.

## **HELLO**

We have welcomed Sarah James to our team this week. Sarah will be working as a Learning Support Assistant (LSA) in our Cello class. We wish her well and trust she will settle in quickly having been bombarded with all sorts of questions from the Cello students!



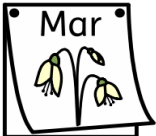

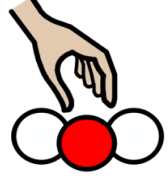

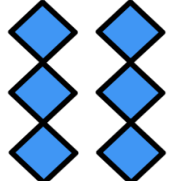
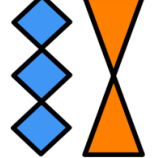
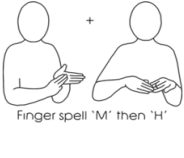

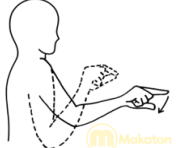
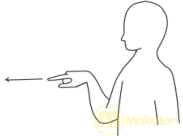
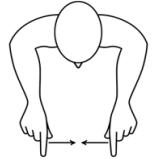
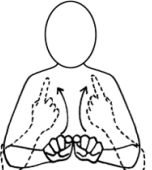
## **STAR OF THE WEEK/PPICC CHAMPIONS**

There will be no Star of the Week or PPICC champion awards this week due to the whole school being on an Inset Day and the Star of the Week assembly being cancelled.



# SIGNS AND SYMBOLS OF THE WEEK



					
					
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## DIARY DATES — SPRING TERM (2) 2025

### FEBRUARY

28th **INSET DAY (Whole school)**

### MARCH

- 6th Hants Fire Brigade visit (FE)
- 6th World Book Day lunch
- 7th World Book Day dressing up / teddybear
- 10th Class Group Photos
- 17th Theme Week (3 of 3) - Holi
- 18th Governors' Curriculum Meeting (9.30am)
- 18th Hamlet performance, The Lights (7pm) - ticket only
- 21st *Down Syndrome Awareness Day (wear odd socks)*
- 21st *Comic Relief (dressing up)*  
*(Suggested donation for both events which will be split between both charities)*
- 24th Wiltshire Air Ambulance visit (FE)
- 25th Full Governors Meeting (4pm)



### APRIL

- 1st Hants Music Service Special Event
- 2nd World Autism Day
- 2nd Yr 10 & Yr 11 Parents' Information Evening @ FE
- 4th **INSET DAY (FE only)**
- 7th-21st **Spring Holiday**
- 22nd **INSET DAY (Whole school)**
- 23rd Return to School (Whole school)