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WORLD BOOK DAY

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EASTER ACTIVITIES

Hello and welcome...

... to our termly e-newsletter where we give you a round up of some of the activities that we have been up to - please remember to regularly visit our website and youtube channel by scanning or clicking on the QR codes opposite.

It has been another action packed Spring term, with lots of [learning](#) going on - we've been especially excited this term to be really focussing on supporting all of our children to develop their [independence](#) - however that looks for them. Some pupils have been on [visits](#) & practising [life-skills](#).

The [School council](#) have been busy, supporting the [homeless](#). The [RRSA](#)

[group](#) have been campaigning for glasses for all; we have had discos and lots of [enterprising activities](#)!

At the end of term, there were some nice [trips](#) and some primary pupils attended a sports '[Panathlon](#)' along with IQM at the Bolton Arena & had a great time.

Thanks as always for all of your help, commitment and support for school, it is much appreciated.

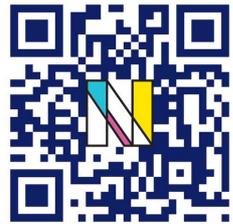
We wish you all a restful holiday, a happy Easter & a wonderful Ramadan!

We look forward to seeing you in the summer term.

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Hello from the Headteacher...

What a busy & fun packed term this has been and a big thank you for bearing with us through the disruptions that have occurred. It's difficult to believe we are moving into the Summer Term after the holiday and roll on the sunshine.

We are excitedly awaiting the completion of our new outdoor sensory area which will enhance our existing spaces and the outdoor curriculum offer we are developing so watch out for updates.

We are also offering a number of different new lunchtime activities for our students which will give them an opportunity to mix and make new friends. Our learning has also moved beyond the classrooms into

the corridors and community alike. All staff focus on supporting our students to apply their skills in real life settings and activities have ranged from designing and making a fair-trade cake to running a café for staff with students taking orders for delivery. We are always looking for creative ways to support our student's independence which we delight in sharing with you in their annual review meetings and parent consultations.

A personal highlight was the Key Stage 3 production of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory which was hugely entertaining and was clearly enjoyed by the pupils who all took part brilliantly.

On a sadder note Jenny Nelson our Assistant Head in Autism leaves us this term to take up a promotion at another Special School in Lancashire. She has been with Newfield for 12 years and supported us with total commitment through all the challenges, changes, smiles and sadness that have taken place in this time. We all wish her the very best in her new role.

We are welcoming two new teachers Halima Karbhari and Amy Queen after Easter and are sure you will get to meet them during the Summer Term.

May I wish you and your family a happy holidays and look forwards to seeing more of you in the Summer Term.

Rachel

SPECIAL ENRICHMENT EVENTS

During this term, we have taken part in number of charity events, raising awareness and money to help others as well as special events to enhance our experience of the world.

It's been a snowy term with [snow in school](#); [snow days](#) and [snow experiments](#) - roll on summer!

It was flipping fantastic on [Shrove Tuesday](#) with pancakes everywhere.

During [Fairtrade Fortnight](#) children learnt lots and cooked up a storm for our fair-trade bake-off contest!

We had lots of fun raising money for Comic Relief celebrating [Red Nose Day](#).

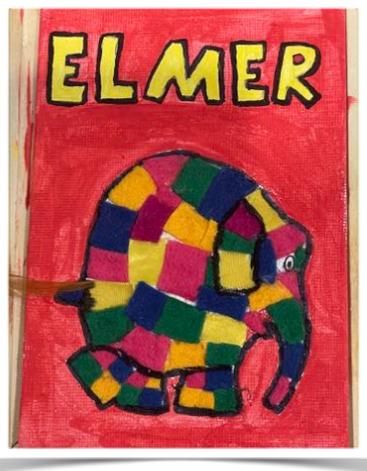
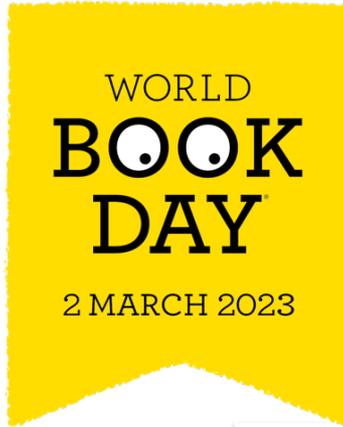


Pupils in KS3 spent all term rehearsing, making props and costumes and learning songs & dances to put on a fantastic performance of Roald Dahl's [Charlie and the Chocolate Factory](#).

It was a wonderful occasion and we were very proud of our talented children and staff!



We all love enjoying books, reading and stories so we had a great time on [World Book Day](#). We dressed up, [shared tales](#) and made [artworks](#) of our favourite books.



During Children's Mental Health Week we had many events going on to help us to think about our wellbeing, under the theme of 'Let's Connect!'. We made a [huge paper chain](#), with every member of school and visitors making a link in the chain to display in the atrium and around the tree.

Children enjoyed taking part in MOVE and pamper sessions with foot spas and massages to promote their [physical wellbeing](#).



CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK



The [RRSA group](#) had parents and a visitor from the Mental Health Support Team who came to support the discussion, make posters, enjoy refreshments and present a cheque to the Love for Kenya orphanage.

We made sure that our staff also had time to think about their mental health, with a [breakfast](#) and a chat before the day began.



CELEBRATING EASTER



Children have enjoyed a number of activities linked to Easter in the lead up to the holidays.

They enjoyed [Easter sensory activities](#).

They also enjoyed another lively performance from [Mr. Stix](#) who amazed us all with his magic and balloon animals. Some children enjoyed trips.

There were two [Easter assemblies](#) where parents joined us & tasted hot cross buns made by classes!

We had an Easter staff [wellbeing breakfast](#).

And on the last day there was an [Easter enterprise](#) event selling goods made by our older pupils.



We believe we are partners with families in supporting our children are always looking for new ways to link up with parents.

In February AnnMarie & Mathilde held a [coffee morning](#) which was popular and gave families a chance to relax and chat - it was noisy!

They also met lots of former, current and prospective families at the [Disability Info day](#) in March.

We introduced [Class Dojo](#) this term and lots of families are engaging with school and 'liking' our school stories.

If you have any ideas, questions, suggestions or just fancy a chat please contact our [Family Wellbeing Coordinators](#) in school!

PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT



Easter Holiday

School closes to all:
Friday 31st March

School re-opens to all:
Monday 17th April 2023

School closes to all for 1 day:
Friday 21st April 2023

May bank holiday:
Monday 1st May 2023

Coronation bank holiday:
Monday 8th May 2023

Summer Half Term Holiday
School closes to all:
Friday 26th May 2023

School re-opens to all:
Monday 5th June 2023

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