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"Learning Together, We Will All Be Exceptional"

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respect one another
every individual matters
take responsibility
strive for excellence



Dear Parents/Carers,

There is lots of news this week about the events we will be holding at school in the coming fortnight.

<u>Parent/carer evenings -</u> It's really good to see so many of you signed up to meet your child's class teacher next week. If you haven't done so already, please make an appointment for a meeting so that you can hear about your child's progress at school and ask any questions you may have.

<u>Science week</u> – The week after next is science week. As science forms the basis of our spring term learning, it's a great opportunity for you to get involved! We are asking if any parents/carers or extended family members, who work in science related jobs, would be willing to come in to share what you do with the children. **Inspiration** is one of our school character strengths and you would be an inspiration to children who would learn more about what they might work as in the future!

<u>Sickness bugs</u> – This week, we have had a number of children suffering from vomiting and diarrhoea bugs. As these bugs spread so rapidly, it's really important that we take swift action to curb its spread in school. Please ensure you remind children to wash their hands straight away after using the toilet and before eating or drinking anything. If your child becomes unwell, we will ask you to keep them home from school for 48 hours.

<u>Mobile phones</u> – You may be aware of the campaign for a 'smartphone-free childhood'. There is a growing call from parents/carers to discourage children having their own smartphone until the age of 14. We know that many children who have their own smartphone access inappropriate websites, they stay up late using their phones and may become involved in unkind behaviour which can lead to online bullying. This behaviour can spill over into school life and then staff need to speak to you about this.

You may have heard that there was additional guidance released by the government last week about mobile phones. Our mobile phone policy falls within this guidance and can be found on the school website here: https://www.sunnyhillprimary.com/attachments/download.asp?file=645&type=pdf.



If you are interested in becoming more involved in the 'smartphone-free childhood campaign', you can find out more information by following the QR code. This campaign is not endorsed by the school.

Attendance – Our rates of attendance continue to increase which is great news! **Overall attendance last week was 94.7% with** 6AC at 99.6%. Well done 6AC!

Best wishes.

Sarah Wilson

Head Teacher

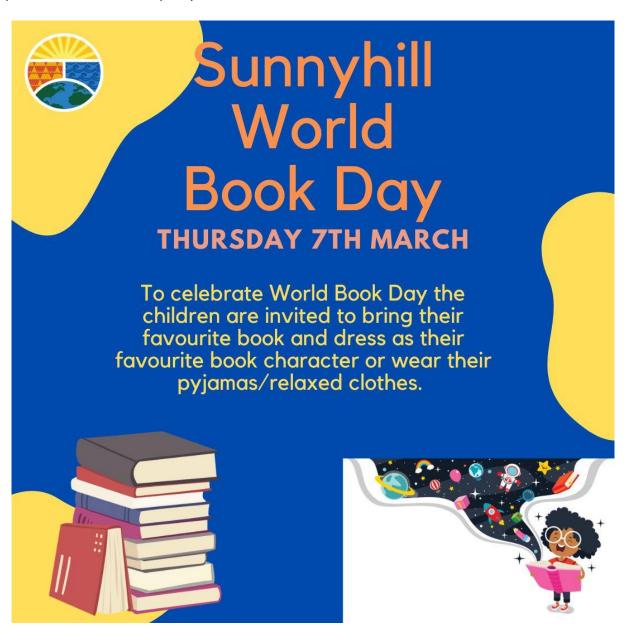
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World Book Day

We are looking forward to seeing children (and staff) dressed up as characters or dressed down in comfy relaxing clothes on World Book Day!

Children should have come home today with a paper plate to decorate as their favourite book character. Please return these to your child's class teacher by Thursday 7th March so that they can be part of our WBD display and competition.

This year, we will link the theme to International Women's Day with a focus on female authors and the Sustainable Development Goal 5 – Gender Equality.



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Scooter Training

Some children in Year 2 participated in scooter training today – they braved the wind and rain and managed to complete their training as planned. Here is what some of the children said:

"What I liked about the scooter training is when we were outside the school scootering." – Nora 2S

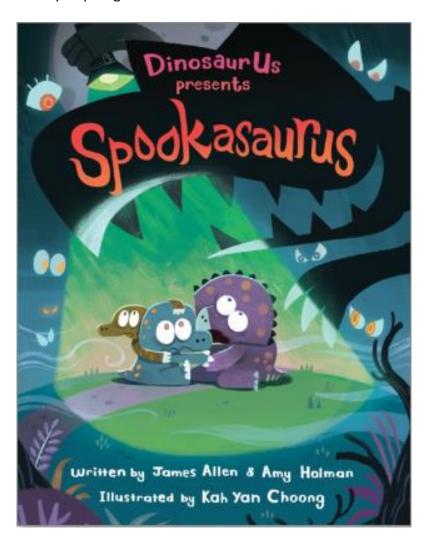
"I liked scooting and learned to cross the road on the scooter." – Tasnim 2S

"I learned to change legs on the scooter." - Leonardo 2E

"I thought that it was fun because we learned how to be safe on the road." - Isabelle 2E

Author Visit

We were fortunate to have an author visit on Wednesday. The author James Allen went to visit classes in EYFS and KS1 to read his book 'Spookasaurus'. He spoke about his work as an author and answered children's questions. It's really inspiring for children to hear about careers first hand!



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Dates for your diary

5 th & 7 th March	Parent/Carer Meetings
7 th March	World Book Day
7 th & 8 th March	Year 3 & 4 Cycle Training
w/c 11 th March	Whole School Science Week
13 th March	Year 1 & 2 Road Safety Theatre visit to Sunnyhill
15 th March	Year 5 visit to Wonderlab (Science Museum)
18 th & 21 st March	Year 3 visit to The Garden Museum
25 th March	Year 2 Lambeth Singing Festival
26 th March	Whole School STEAM Exhibition
Thursday 28 th March	End of term – children finish at 2pm

Useful School Contacts

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Term Dates 2023/2024

Term	Start Date	Finish Date	Number of days			
Term One	INSET DAY 1&2 - 1st & 4th September 2023 Tuesday, 5th September 2023	Friday, 20th October 2023	36 days			
Holida	Holiday Monday, 23rd October 2023 – Friday, 27 th October 2023					
Term Two	Monday, 30th October 2023	Thursday, 21st December 2023	39 days			
Christmas Holiday Friday, 22nd December 2023 – Friday, 5th January 2024						
Term Three	INSET DAY 3 - 8th January 2024 Tuesday, 9th January 2024	Friday, 9th February 2024	25 days			
Holiday Monday, 12th February 2024 – Friday, 16th February 2024						
Term Four	Monday, 19th February 2024	Thursday 28th March 2024	29 days			
Easter Holiday Friday, 29th March 2024 – Friday, 12th April 2024						
Term Five	INSET DAY 4 - 12th April 2024 Monday, 15th April 2024	Friday, 24th May 2024	30 days			
Holiday Monday, 27th May 2024 – Friday, 31st May 2024						
Term Six	Monday, 3rd June 2024	Friday, 19th July 2024 INSET DAY 5 - 22nd July 2024	36 days			
			195 days			

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Term	Start Date	Finish Date	Number of days		
Term One	INSET DAY 1&2 - Monday & Tuesday, 2nd & 3rd September 2024 Wednesday, 4th September 2024	Friday, 25th October 2024	40 days		
Holiday Monday, 28th October 2024 – Friday, 1st November 2024					
Term Two	Monday, 4th November 2024	Friday, 20th December 2024	35 days		
Christmas Holiday Friday, 23rd December 2024 – Friday, 3rd January 2025					
Term Three	INSET DAY 3 - Monday, 6th January 2025 Tuesday, 7th January 2025	Friday, 14th February 2025	30 days		
Holiday Monday, 17th February 2025 – Friday, 21st February 2025					
Term Four	Monday, 24th February 2025	Tuesday, 8th April 2025	32 days		
Easter Holiday Wednesday, 9th April 2025 – Tuesday, 22nd April 2025					
Term Five	Wednesday, 23rd April 2025	Friday, 23rd May 2025	22 days		
Holiday Monday, 26th May 2025 – Friday, 30th May 2025					
Term Six	INSET DAY 4 - Monday, 2nd June 2025 Tuesday, 3rd June 2025	Friday, 18th July 2025 INSET DAY 5 - Monday, 21st July 2025	36 days		
			195 days		