

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 23rd February 2024

Dear parents and carers

The variety of learning in school this week has only been matched by the variety of weather we've seen! Yesterday in particular was pretty wild all day, but (can you spot the tenuous link coming?!) that didn't stop Year 5 getting stuck into a marvellous, muddy day of activity with the Wilder Schools team. Please have a look at their report elsewhere in the newsletter, as there are ways we now need your support to generate funds for their next steps in making our school a welcoming place for wildlife of all kinds.

This week, our theme in PSHE/wellbeing lessons has been 'give' and you will also see in the newsletter an exciting day of fundraising awareness of our friends from 'Bloomin' Arts' on Thursday 7th March. Finally, and again on the 'give' theme, children will be coming home with a competition entry sheet to design a new logo for the 'Friends of Felbridge Primary School' – or the artists formerly known as the PTA! Alongside the newsletter is a document explaining how this change has come about and the benefits it will create, along with instructions on what they'd like children to try and design.

Lastly this week, we had a fabulous assembly this morning from Pandas Class including a retelling of 'The Pied Piper of Hamelin' and some beautiful singing too. We were all really impressed that they had learnt so many lines in such a short time- well done guys!



Have a great weekend everyone,

Mr Hogan-Fleming and Mrs Sims

Term Dates

27th February
Macaws (5) Fundraiser for Wilder Schools

28th February - 1st March
Toucans (4) Hindleap Warren Residential

7th March
Bloomin Arts Sponsored Dance-a-thon

14th March
Felbridge World Book Day

15th March
PTA Quiz Night

15th March
Macaws (5) Class Assembly - 9 am

20th March
Macaws (5) Star Gazing Evening

22nd March
Monkeys (1) Class Assembly - 9 am

27th March
Toucans (4) Class Assembly - 9 am

28th March
Last day of term - Closure from 1.15 pm

16th April
Geckos and Leopards to Ashdown Forest

25th April
Pandas (3) Visit to British Museum

10th May
Geckos (R) Class Assembly - 9 am

Plea from Stay and Play

Please could you have a look in the back of your kitchen cupboards for any out of date-



Dried pulses, chickpeas, lentils,
chai seeds, cornflour,
food colouring, flour

These will be used in their sensory play. Any donations can be left at the school office.

Many thanks

PTA News

Quiz - 15th March

3 weeks to go until our quiz night and thank you to all who have bought tickets already. We have more space remaining so please don't forget to book your space - we cannot sell tickets on the door.

Bag2School

Thank you to everyone who donated bags for our Bag2School collection - we have raised just over £100 from this. We will book another for after the Easter holidays so if you have another clear out over Easter please save your bags for us!

A big thank you to Chetan from Felbridge Village Store who donated a lot of items from his clothing donation bin - thank you so much!

Doughnuts

Thanks to everyone who bought doughnuts on the last day of term, we raised £122. We are sorry to those in years 5 and 6 who didn't get any because we sold out so quickly. We plan to change things slightly next time to try and avoid this from happening again.

Many thanks! Your PTA Team

Wilder Schools – news from Year 5 and fundraising sale

Yesterday, Year 5 had another of our Wilder School's sessions. Despite the weather being against us, we did manage to get outside and enjoy our woods, learning new games- Bat/Moth - a listening skills game and Meet a Tree - a trust game. Previously, whilst exploring our grounds, we wanted to know what animals visited our woods when we were not at school. Macaws class wanted to raise some money to buy a Wildlife Camera that would take photographs and video during the night. So, during the morning, we all made bird feeders using mugs, sticks, water, oats, cooked rice, suet and sunflower hearts and also seed bombs using water, seeds, powdered clay and soil, both of which we will be selling at the end of the day on **Tuesday 27th February to raise money for the Wildlife Camera. Bird Feeders - £2, Seed Bombs - £1 for 3.**



TAKE ACTION - COMPETITION

ATTENTION ALL PARENTS AND CARERS

We have also entered a competition to win **£500**. To give us the best chance of winning, **we need you** to log the things you are doing to help support our local wildlife. This might be buying a Bird Feeder from us and hanging it from a tree, or throwing some Seed Bombs into a hedgerow, putting up a bird box in a tree or on a wall, introducing a Hedgehog Highway to your garden or encouraging insects into a Bug Hotel. Whatever you do, log it and help us to be the best school that 'Takes Action'. The school with the most 'actions' will win the £500. All year groups will be coming home soon with a postcard with all the details on how to log your action. The competition ends on 30th April, so there is plenty of time to start helping our local wildlife and helping us to win **£500!** Please support us to improve the wildlife at Felbridge. Thank you. Macaws Class

Bloomin' Arts Day

Older children will remember that we enjoyed a wonderful performance from Bloomin' Arts last year. They are returning in two weeks, but this time with the addition of a workshop for Year 4 and a sponsored fundraising event alongside their performance which, as last year, is aimed at our older children.

For everyone across the school, a sponsorship form will come home with children on Monday for the 'Bloomin Arts Danceathon' on Thursday 7th March. Miss Savident is kindly going to lead each class in some energetic movement activities and we'd love it if you, your families and friends would sponsor children to help raise money for this amazing local charity.

After school, there will be a stall outside the gate selling notebooks, cards and framed art produced by the members of the group and, again, they would be very grateful for your support.

Who they are

Bloomin' Arts is driven by the voice of disabled adults to provide high quality opportunities in the creative arts. Each individual develops their artistic talents and builds valuable connections with our local and artistic community. Independence and physical, social and emotional wellbeing is our aim.

What they offer

Bloomin' Arts is based in Lingfield, Surrey. We work to create opportunities for adults with disabilities to enjoy, develop skills, perform, and work in the arts.



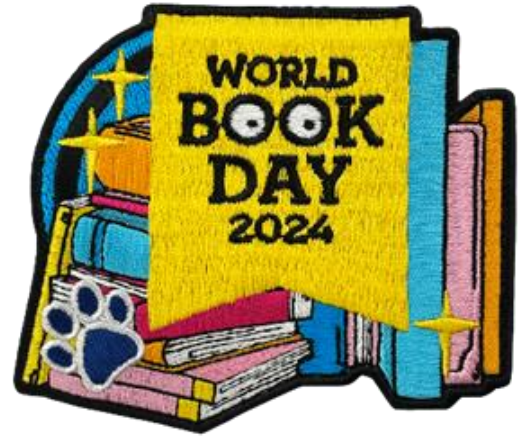
Wellies in the Woods will continue for as long as you want it to- in other words, for as long as we have enough children to have a member of staff on duty in the woodland area!

Simple bring in a spare pair of wellies or trainers if your child would like to play in the woods at lunchtime. We are SO lucky to have this amazing piece of land available to us and everyone loves being in there, so make the most of it!



DON'T FORGET!

Because of the Bloomin' Arts events on Thursday 7th March, Felbridge's 'World' Book Day will be on Thursday 14th March! Usual fancy dress/bedtime reading attire if you'd like to join in the fun! Miss Riggs will send home more details soon about other activities children can take part in.



PTA → Friends Competition

Children are coming home today with their entry form for the **PTA → Friends** logo competition. Information about what is happening is attached with today's newsletter.

Thank you to the PTA for providing us with the new Bee-Bots, purchased with the proceeds of their fundraising.

Monkeys class have programmed the Bee-Bots to follow a path by inputting instructions (an algorithm)



Marie Curie Work Display

Thank you to all of the children who completed the Marie Curie homework task. The standard of work and the high levels of creativity are truly superb! Mrs Woodward has created a fabulous display (thank you, Mrs Woodward!) of a sample of the work, in the office reception area. It is a beautiful display with lots of Marie Curie facts and information - if you are able to, please do come in and take a look.



Help to win us an outdoor classroom

[Click Here to Enter](#)



Enter to Win A 10ft x 10ft Outdoor Classroom!

Transform your learning space with our exciting Outdoor Classroom Giveaway! At Creative Activity Group, we're on a mission to transform spaces and bring education to the outdoors! Studies show outdoor learning promotes well-being and helps reduce stress it also provides a fun place to learn in all seasons.

Discover the transformative power of outdoor classrooms and promote hands-on exploration, spark creativity, and enhance engagement and make learning fun! Students thrive in the fresh air, benefiting from increased focus and improved well-being and nature becomes a captivating teacher, offering real-world lessons that inspire and ignite curiosity. The versatility of outdoor classrooms extends beyond academics, creating a communal hub for events, building connections, and leaving a lasting impact on the holistic development of individuals and communities alike. Embrace the outdoors and unlock the power of outdoor learning!

How to Enter:

Participating in our giveaway is easy and open to nursery, primary and secondary schools, community groups, and charities in Ireland and the United Kingdom. **Simply complete the form below to be in with a chance of winning!**

Prize Details:

One lucky winner will receive a 10ft x 10ft Outdoor Classroom including delivery and installation.

Deadline:

The deadline for submissions is 8th March 2024. Don't miss this incredible opportunity to transform your outdoor space into a hub of inspiration and discovery. Good Luck!



Surrey
Wildlife Trust

Wilder Schools Action for Nature Competition 2024

End date: Sunday 30th April

This year, Surrey Wildlife Trust has been working with us to encourage practical actions beyond the school grounds and help nature thrive. Why not help us more by entering the competition below. The more entries, the better for wildlife and the better our chances!

Complete one or more Actions for Nature at home or in your community, and Felbridge Primary School could be in with a chance of winning a **£500** grant towards outdoor learning equipment or tools for school grounds improvement! It isn't hard or expensive to help our wildlife, your action could be as simple as a litter pick! If you're lucky enough to have a garden, you could feed the birds, plant pollinator-friendly plants or go chemical-free.

How to take part:

- Explore your possible Actions for Nature: www.surreywildlifetrust.org/actions
- Once you've completed your Action for Nature, record your actions, upload a photo and view our actions map at: www.surreywildlifetrust.org/nature-actions-map

Record your Action for Nature to claim half-price membership with Surrey Wildlife Trust, and to be entered into a free prize draw to win a wildlife tech prize!





Values Champion

Well done to the following children who have received certificates this week:

Alessio for Compassion, Courage & Challenge - Geckos

Mudaseer for Challenge & Courage - Monkeys

Quinn for Curiosity - Leopards

Pandas Class for Challenge, Creativity and Courage - Pandas and Noah for Courage

Maddie for All the Values - Toucans

Noah for Challenge & Creativity - Macaws

Tommy for Compassion & Challenge - Jaguars



Well done!

Mathletics: 5th February - Sunday, 18th February 2024

Mathletics							
Bronze	Silver	Gold	Platinum	Emerald	Diamond	Epic	Legend
Monkeys Frankie III Lexi III Leopards Arthur I Jessica IV Pandas Joshua II Toucans Seb III Jaguars Ralphie III Tommy IV Franklin II Noah M I Noah P I Romy I	Monkeys Ollie IV Pandas Shane II Lily III Noah V Toucans Charlotte IV Maddie V Macaws Oliver II Tyler IV	Monkeys Iris III Seb M V Leopards Martha III Pandas Frank IV Poppy I Jared III Husna III Rohan V Josie V	Toucans Mickey V Macaws Amelia IV Jaguars Florence II Freddie I Alex IV	Monkeys Fionn V Spencer II Leopards Audrey III Florence III Oliver V Jasmine V Jack IV Leila V Freya II Pandas Hattie I Freddie I Rohan III Finlay III	Monkeys Jack V Bella V Macaws Jenson V Mia II Toucans Bella I Macaws Alisha II Jaguars Tegan III	Leopards William I Toucans Evan I Jaguars Ayla I	

Mathletics: Monday, 5th February - Sunday, 18th February 2024

Attendance

Attendance this week:	Geckos: 97%	Monkeys: 93%	Leopards: 98%	Pandas: 95%	Toucans: 93%	Macaws: 97%	Jaguars: 87%	Whole School: 94%
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Calling all Parents and Children!

PARTICIPANTS NEEDED FOR A 1hr ONLINE STUDY!

Is your child aged between 6 – 17 years?

We are on a mission! To explore the role of language, sleep and other factors in emotion processing in families both **with and without speech, language and communication needs**

What will you both be asked to do?

All parents and children will be asked to do an online **audio-recorded task**.

All parents and children **over the age of 11** will also be asked to complete some **questionnaires**.

Receive a **£5 Amazon voucher** for participating!



To sign up, click the [link](#) or scan the QR code!

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