

# Firfield Primary School Newsletter

## March 2022

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### Message from Mr Yellop

As we move into Spring and with the reduction in Covid-19 restrictions we hope to return to some normality going forward. The school continues to use the following measures to reduce risk of transmission:

- supporting children to have good hand and face hygiene
- ensure good ventilation in classrooms and communal areas
- continue to have enhanced cleaning regimes
- Follow public health advice on testing, self-isolation and managing confirmed cases of COVID-19.

The school still requires any pupil with symptoms of a high temperature, continuous cough or a loss / change of smell or taste to stay at home and isolate, then take a PCR test to confirm if they have Covid-19 or not. If a positive test result is confirmed, then they should continue to self-isolate, testing on day 5 and 6 returning to school if both results are negative.

Other symptoms linked with COVID-19 include shortness of breath, fatigue, loss of appetite, muscle ache, sore throat, headache, stuffy or runny nose, diarrhoea, nausea and vomiting. We therefore ask parents to be more aware of any illnesses in the coming months.

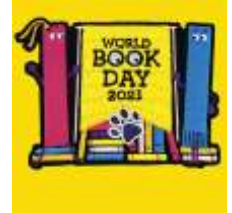
At the moment, we have no cases of Covid-19 in school.

Thank you for your continued support with keeping our children safe.

Mr Yellop

### World Book Day

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March was our World Book Day. To celebrate, children were invited to come into school dressed as their favourite book character. Thank you for all the amazing effort from our families to support the day. Prizes were given out on the day for the best costume. We have also sent out money off book vouchers, as we have done in previous years. The book fair arrived in school last Friday and will be available throughout the week for parents to visit before and after school. The last chance to purchase books will be on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> before school.



### Red Nose Day

On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March, we will be holding our Red Nose Day. Children have the opportunity to dress in red or other Red Nose Day merchandise. We will be selling red noses in school in support of the day.

More details from Miss Tomlinson (PSHE Coordinator) will follow shortly.



### Maths Rockstar Day



On Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> February we held our Times Table Rock Star Day. The children looked fantastic in their Rock Star costumes and we had loads of fun rocking throughout the day. Rock Star battles continue....

## World Down's Syndrome Day



World Down's syndrome day will be held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March, we will be inviting children to come to school wearing bright, colourful odd socks on this day to raise awareness and celebrate.

## World Autism Week

World Autism Week is 28<sup>th</sup> March to 3<sup>rd</sup> April. During this week specialist assemblies and lessons will be held in every year group to promote the understanding of the differences that make us all unique.

## Job Vacancies

Firfield are currently looking to recruit Relief Midday Supervisors. If you are interested in applying, please pop into or call the school office for further details and an application form.

*Are you wanting a flexible working life that fits around your schedule? Vertas are looking for dedicated relief cleaners in Firfield Primary School*

*We are also recruiting Mobile Cleaners and Caretakers within the local area*

*If you are interested, please email: [amber.evans@vertas.co.uk](mailto:amber.evans@vertas.co.uk) or call/text Amber on 07917 493935 quoting reference: 11121*

## School Trim Trail and Tyre Park

A polite reminder that we ask all children not to use the trim trail or tyre park before or after school unless supervised by a member of school staff. This includes younger siblings who may not have started at the school.

## INSET Days

We have been informed that Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May will no longer be a Polling Day. The governors have therefore decided to move the planned INSET day from the 5<sup>th</sup> May to Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June. This follows the already planned INSET Day on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June and the additional day to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May.

## INSET Days for 2022/21

The governors have decided that the following days will be used as INSET days in the next academic year.

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022**

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022**

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023**

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2023 (Polling Day)**

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

## Diary Dates

### MARCH 2022

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 3 Swimming starts
3 <sup>rd</sup>	World Book Day
4 <sup>th</sup> –11 <sup>th</sup>	Book Fair in School
8 <sup>th</sup>	International Women's Day
10 <sup>th</sup>	National Girls' Football Day
18 <sup>th</sup>	Comic Relief – Red Nose Day
21 <sup>st</sup>	World Downs' Syndrome Day - #lotsofsocks
28 <sup>th</sup> /29 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 Residential – Losehill YHA
28 <sup>th</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>World Autism Week</b>
31 <sup>st</sup>	Year 6 Trip to Cromford

### APRIL 2021

8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Last Day of Term</b>
25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Return to School / Summer Term</b>
28 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Young Voice Concert - Sheffield</b>