#### Dates for the Diary

6th March - World Book Day 10th March - Science Week

**7**<sup>th</sup> **April** - Easter Week

11<sup>th</sup> April - Last day of term 28<sup>th</sup> April - Back to school

5th May - Bank Holiday Monday

26th May-30th May - Half term

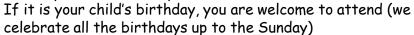
18th July - Last day of term

21st July - INSET day for staff



#### Celebration Worship

Next week it is Celebration Worship for EYFS/KS1 parents.



Friday 7th March - Families of Ladybirds/Bears/Zebras/Tigers

Please pop your phones away, and on silent, once you have signed in. This helps to safeguard all our children. Thankyou

#### Space Competitions

Please make sure you return your competition entries by Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March - winners will be announced next week!



To celebrate Pinocchio Week, our PTFA have been collecting orders for Wonky Bars! You can order as many as you would like, and there will be some golden tickets in some of the bars - golden ticket winners will be able to go to a Chocolate Picnic on The Croft and may win a signed illustration from Steve Smallman, the author who visited us last year!

Please complete your order form for Wonky Bars and send your money in the envelope.

The Wonky Bars will be available after school, on the playground on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March,

following World
Book Day!
So exciting!!



# **Newsletter 22**



Learning to love

Loving to learn

28th February 2025

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Head Teacher - Mrs Jo Moult

#### Worship

Reverend Charles led our worship on Tuesday and helped us to think more about forgiveness.

Our Worship Team used their fantastic oracy skills and recited a poem about how many times should we forgive......

Ephesians 4:32: "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you."



## <u>Croft</u> on the Heath

Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mar		Tigers pm
Tues 4th Mar		Zebras pm
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	All Bears am	Ladybirds pm
Thur 6 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Penguins am	
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> Mar		

Please can you make sure your child has their wellies, warm socks, warm waterproof coat and a pair of old tracksuit bottoms in a bag for their Croft Day.

It will often be muddy and/or wet, and a bit cold this half term, and the children won't be comfortable accessing outdoor learning, if they haven't got their wellies/waterproof/warm clothes.



#### Next week - 3rd-7th March

We are celebrating Book Week with the traditional tale of Pinocchio. We will all be learning about the story and the characters through drama and dance!

There will be lots of activities going on all week, including a dress up day on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March to celebrate World Book Day.

The children and staff are welcome to dress up as characters from Pinocchio or any story book characters.

We love a themed week!



#### Attendance in School

This week's attendance is 95.8%

Please come to school on time, our attendance would have been 96.4% if we didn't have children arriving after 9am. Thank you

## Penguins Parents Evening Monday 17th March

Please sign up for an appointment to meet with your child's keyperson and find out about how your child is getting on.





### What is fluency?!

You may have heard your children talking about "fluency" - we are focusing on the fluency of reading and the children are working hard to remember the elements of fluency and use them consistently every time they read. Please ask them about fluency, and help them to remember every time they read to you at home. The more we practice, the better we get!





Good readers PAUSE at commas or break a sentence into meaningful chunks.

They STOP at periods, exclamation points, and questions marks.

## **Intonation**

Good readers change pitch and add emphasis to reflect end marks and important places in the sentences.

### Volume and Stress



### **Expression**



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