

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March as our dress up day. This year we are having a big push on Fairy Tales and we will be awarding prizes for the most imaginative or best dressed fairy tale character. We do not expect families to go out and purchase costumes, so please consider swaps, wearing a previous costume or being imaginative and making your own. You can also look for inspiration on the World Book Day webpages. If children do not wish to dress up they can come in their own clothes for the day. If you are not wearing school uniform we are asking for a £1 donation on the day so we can buy some lovely new books to promote a love reading in our school.

The children will also have another teacher visit then to read them a story and for lunch there is a very special World Book Day menu from Farm Kitchens of Billionaire-Boy Beefburger, Horrid-Henry Jacket Potato or Peter Rabbit Puff Pastry Vegetarian Sausage Roll and for desert none other than Willy Wonka Chocolate Cornflower Cake, Gangster Granny Yoghurt or Orang U Tan Satsuma.

In the afternoon from 2-3pm, we would also like to invite parents to a Reading Café in our classes. This will be a wonderful opportunity for children and families to hear the teacher read a class story aloud and then you will be invited to take part in activities with your child. Please can we ask that families do not bring small children, as this will distract from the learning time with the children.

For more information please use the World Book Day Website at: <u>https://www.worldbookday.com/</u>

Attendance

We were really pleased to celebrate such improved attendance coming back to school this week after half term. Attendance this week has been 94.81%.

We are still working hard towards our target of 96%.

Don't forget good attendance is awarded by a termly badge and weekly class rewards.

Parents' Evening.

It was lovely to see so many parents at Parents' Evening on Tuesday. This is always such an important opportunity to discuss your child's progress and celebrate their achievements so far in school.

However, we have an open-door policy at St Paul's so please do not wait for Parents' Evening to discuss any questions or concerns that you may have. It is important that we have open dialogue throughout the year to ensure positive relationships between home and school.

Safeguarding

The Lincolnshire Police Prevent - Raising awareness around the risk of radicalisation

It can be hard to know what to do if you're worried someone close is expressing extreme views or hatred, which could lead to them harming themselves or others. Working with other organisations, the police protect vulnerable people from being exploited by extremists through a Home Office programme called Prevent.

Young people can be at a greater risk of being targeted by extremists and the internet has made it much easier for radicalisers to find and identify people who might be easily influenced.

In Lincolnshire, last year most of the cases referred to Prevent related to young people and one of the biggest concerns was online activity including the sharing of extremist information.

Friends and family are often the first to spot worrying changes taking place. These can be big or small changes that take place very quickly or over a longer period. Trust your instincts and if you're concerned seek advice. ACT Early provides advice on the risks of radicalisation, spotting the signs and what to do if concerned.

ACTEarly | Prevent radicalisation https://actearly.uk

PC Nicky Defraine - Prevent Officer, Lincolnshire Police

