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CREATIVITY and IZZY INITIATIVE have been the



drivers of the week. Our whole school reading project has continued with lots of exciting activities. Year 2 have been making animal accessories to go on their 'Magic Faraway



Tree' and Year 4 have been terrifying us all with their VERY realistic, clay dragons' eyes

inspired by 'How to Train a Dragon'.



Every class has been producing fabulous writing and high-quality art work linked to their book. I have put in

photos of the work from our youngest and eldest children in the form of these fantastic displays. Reception have been inspired by 'The Gruffalo' and Year 6 by the book 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers. Look out for the up-coming displays from the rest of the school over the coming weeks.

On Tuesday, Year 1 enjoyed their day out at the ECO centre in Skegness and, just like Year 2 the week before, were complimented on their enthusiasm and good behaviour.



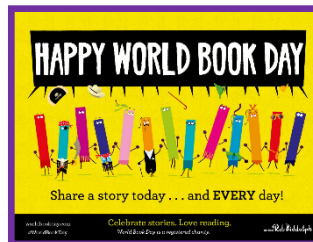
On Wednesday, the Ladybirds and Butterflies invited their parents and carers into school for an 'Open

Classroom Day' themed around their focus story of 'The Gruffalo'! The children took part in many reading activities themed around this wonderful story. They



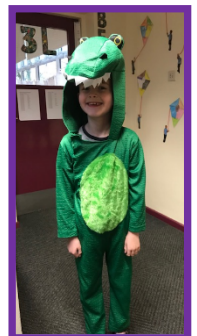
followed a set of instructions to decorate a Gruffalo cupcake, enjoyed going on a Reading

Hunt around the classrooms and followed a set of instructions to paint either a Gruffalo handprint or footprint. Lots of fun was had by all! Many thanks to all of those family members who attended. It is always lovely to see parents.



On Thursday, we enjoyed World Book Day 2019. The theme this year was 'Share a Story'. The children

dressed up in a vast array of costumes. Tonight they will bring home a £1 book voucher which they can use for a £1 discount when the book fair arrives next week. The book fair will start on Tuesday 12th March and runs until Monday 18th March. I look forward to seeing you there.



Finally, it has been lovely to see so many parents attending the parents' evenings on Wednesday and Thursday. The exercise books showed just what great progress the children are making and it was evident - through the smiles and positive comments I heard - just how proud the teachers and parents are of our children. Well done to all!

Have a great weekend

Mrs Ross

Keeping up-to-date

Just a reminder that you can keep up to date via Parenthub, our newsletter, but also through our twitter account @AlfordPrimary



Attendance



Our attendance last week rose to almost **97%** - well done everyone.

Congratulations to Miss Wakelin's and Miss Kerr's classes who both had 99% attendance last week.

After School Clubs

All being well, after school clubs will now run up to and including the week commencing Monday 25th March, as originally planned.

There will be no clubs during the last week of term.

Book Fair



The Book Fair will take place in School from **Tuesday 12th - Monday 18th March.**

Children will be able to use their £1 World Book Day voucher, which they will be bringing home tonight.

Y5 & Y6 Swimming

Could parents of Y5 and Y6 children please return the signed permission slip and contribution no later than Thursday 21st March.

Please do not include swimming money with any other money (eg. Dinner money, After School Provision, etc).

Diary Dates

Please find below some dates for your diary. More information will be sent out about events nearer the time.

w/c 11 th March	WOW Science Week
12 th – 19 th March	Book Fair
Monday 25 th March	FASHION SHOW – don't forget to get a ticket.
Wednesday 27 th March	Y3/4 Change4Life Festival at Skegness – 1.15pm
w/c 1 st April	Bikeability for Y5
Tuesday 2 nd April	Y3-Y6 Cross Country Event at St Hugh's at 1.30pm
Friday 5 th April	Last day of term
Tuesday 23 rd April	Return to School for the Summer Term

Fashion Show Monday 25th March

On Monday 25th March, the Friends of the school will be holding a fundraising Fashion Show in school. These events are fun, so we really hope you will come along with friends and family to support us. Doors open at 5.30pm with the Show starting at 6.00pm.

Featuring the seasons 'high street' trends, 'Complete Clothing Company' will bring along a mix of top quality chain-store and branded labels together with a great selection of 'boutique' fashion that offers something a little bit different. Their accessories compliment the fashion and you will hopefully be tempted by their range of scarves, handbags and jewellery.

All items will be on sale following the Show, all at heavily discounted prices, ensuring you leave with some fabulous bargains having had a great night out too.

Entry per person is £5.00, which includes a free drink and entry into a raffle for a £25.00 voucher to be used on the night. Payment on the night is by cash or card.

FASHION SHOW TICKET ORDER

I would like to purchase tickets (priced £5.00 each).

I enclose £..... (cash only please).

We will send your ticket(s) home with your child so please enter their name and class below.

Child's name:

Class:

Considerate Parking

Please could I urge parents who have to bring and collect their child from school in a car to be considerate when parking.

Both Hanby Lane and Finsbury Street are residential roads, and I would therefore ask you to be considerate when it comes to parking; many of the residents have to park on the roadside, and some of them have raised their concerns with the School, as they are finding this increasingly difficult to do.

As you know, we have a walking bus which operates from our car park at the rear of the School, where you can drop your child off in the morning to be escorted up to School by Mrs Teanby. Alternatively, you can park for free in the South Market Place overflow car park or the main car park, with a permit which you can collect from the School office.

Limiting school traffic on both these roads would make them both much safer for our children, who walk or come to School on their bikes.

Thank you for supporting us in keeping our children safe.

Could we also remind you that the disabled car parking space in the parents' and visitors' car park is reserved for blue badge/disabled badge holders only.

Community News

The next meeting of Wildlife Watch (the Junior branch of The Wildlife Trusts and the UK's leading environmental action club for kids) is this **Sunday 10th March** at **Raithby Beck Wood** from **2.00pm – 3.30pm**.

You will get the chance to plant snowdrops and other spring flowers, as well as looking for signs of Spring - will the frogs be spawning? Which birds can we hear?

Dress for the weather (warm clothes, boots and gloves). Parents, please accompany your children.

N.B. Places limited, booking essential.

For more information, directions and to reserve your place, please e-mail: charlton.margot@gmail.com