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Easter Fun at Dragon Club

Please see our separate flyer for more information!

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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers

On Monday, our Ukrainian children and Olga led a wonderfully informative assembly to mark the one year anniversary of the war in Ukraine. As a school, we learnt lots about the country of Ukraine and its traditions. It was amazing to see the Ukrainian children, who joined us with little to no English, presenting confidently in front of the whole school. As part of this event, we are inviting our Ukrainian parents into school this afternoon for a tea party and tree planting ceremony. It will be a lovely way to bring together this special community within our school.

In other news, a special 'shout-out' should go to our MasterChef children, who did a truly professional job at the Trinity competition on Monday. They were excellent ambassadors for the school and confidently created their two dishes which they presented to the judges. Both Mrs Maher and Mrs Bolland were incredibly proud of how well they did.

Another success this week is our lower junior children who have been working incredibly hard on Times Table Rockstars. Mrs Waterfall, our Maths Lead, received some fantastic data from TTRS this week which compared Speenhamland to local and national results. Our children's average score was 17/25 compared to 16/25 nationally. In addition, we had 21% of pupils achieving 100% on their score compared to 15% both locally and nationally! This certainly reflects the hard work and efforts of our children and something that we should celebrate! Well done to all of those pupils and keep up the brilliant focus on TTRS.

Finally, thank you to all the parents who completed the recent reading survey. We will collate the results and use them to review how we can continue to improve our reading provision at Speenhamland.

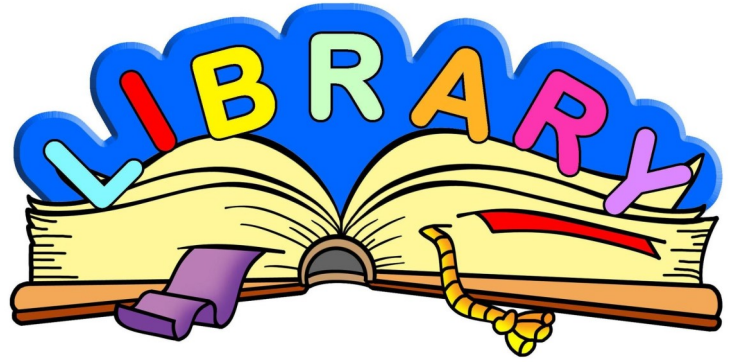
Mrs J Lewry
Headteacher



SEN COFFEE MORNING

Our SENCO, Mrs Graham, will be holding a SEN coffee morning next term.

Watch this space for date and further information.



Last Friday's amazing cake raffle raised the wonderful sum of £112 for our school library and the lucky winner was Mrs Curson—congratulations!

In addition, we raised a further £110 for the library by selling refreshments after school.

Thank you for all your support during World Book Day!



READING PHOTOS

To develop our children's love of reading, we are creating a display to encourage reading opportunities.

Please send in a photo of your child reading anywhere - the funnier the better!



MOTHERING SUNDAY GIFTS

Next week, we will be selling a lovely selection of Mother's Day gifts every lunchtime.

There will be a variety of gifts to choose from priced at £1.00.

If your child would like to purchase a gift, please can you bring in money next week.

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Achievement and PSHE Awards

	SCHOOL	PSHE
Wisteria	Alexander Keogh	Lexie-Rose Major-Knight
Cherry	Jack Radley	Alanna Heller
Oak	Aaliyah Proctor	Leyla Radbourne
Ash	Jimmy Bodin-House	Aliyana Hussain
Willow	Arthur Berntsen	Erick Tavares Nogueira
Hawthorn	Emilia Stosak	Sebastian Rudd
Juniper	Alice Jones	Ted Raven
Maple	Ava Lane	Antonia Gherbe
Acer	Ayden Moisa	Sonny Basden
Redwood	William Fearn	Emma Leeming
Cedar	Christina Athanasiadou	Thomas Collins



HOUSE WINNER THIS WEEK

The Dragon's Eggs results for this week are:

1st Zolty 226

2nd Azul 221

3rd Verde 216

4th Laal 214

Congratulations to Zolty!

ATTENDANCE

This week's attendance is 91.05%

Last week's attendance was 95.76%

Unfortunately, 1050 learning minutes were lost this week through late arrivals; a huge increase but we are aware that the snow had an impact on this.

Please ensure your child is in class for 8.30 am. Thank you.

Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

Below are the results for the class that had most children read 3 times or more from Monday 27th February to Sunday 5th March:

Cedar 23 children

Acer 19 children

Redwood 18 children

Hawthorn 12 children

Oak 11 children

Cherry 10 children

Maple 10 children

Wisteria 9 children

Juniper 9 children

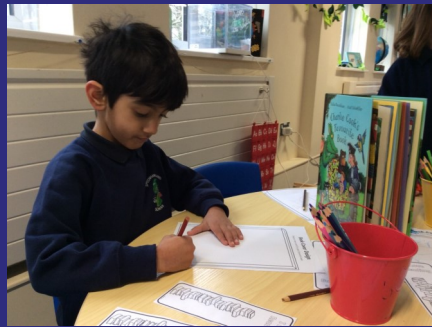
Willow 5 children

Ash 5 children

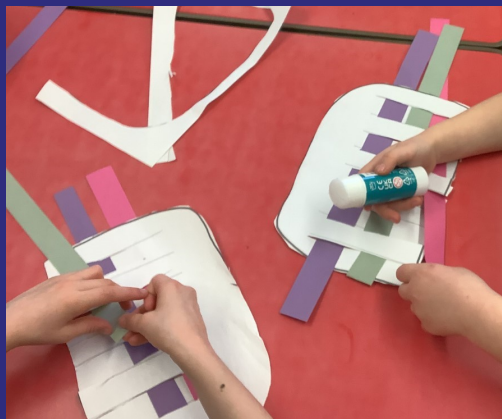
**This week's winning class is Cedar.
Congratulations!**



PUPILS INCREDIBLE WORK



In Wisteria, we read the book *Dear Earth*, before discussing how we can help save our Earth by recycling. During the day, we created anti-pollution posters, sorted rubbish into card or plastic and created Earth suncatchers. We loved showing all our work to our parents when they came in!



Year 1 delved into *Handa's Surprise*, learning how to make an e-book on the computer. They then used this as a plan to retell the story for their independent writing. In the afternoon, they weaved their own baskets. They retold the story using props and some children took on the role of Handa in a hot seat, where the rest of the class asked 'Handa' questions.



Trinity



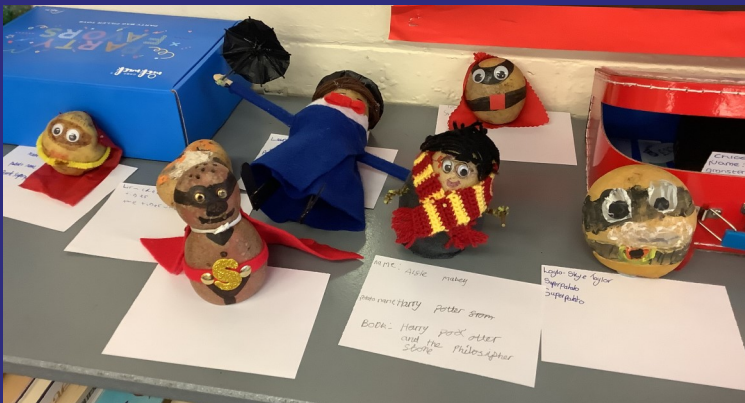
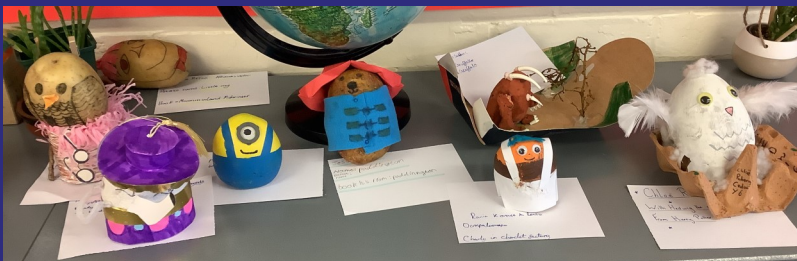
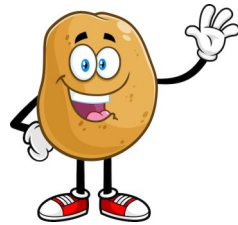
Our incredible team of budding chefs hit the kitchens at Trinity on Monday to compete in the Masterchef Competition. Our team were nothing short of outstanding as they whipped up their menu "Fit for a King" on a budget! A judge commented; "Your dessert was my favourite - just enough buttercream, toffee sauce, and a beautiful sponge." They were very impressed with our freshly made pasta skills too.

WORLD BOOK DAY EXCITEMENT

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World Book Day POTATOES

Below is a selection of our wonderful book day potatoes designed and made by pupils and staff.



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