



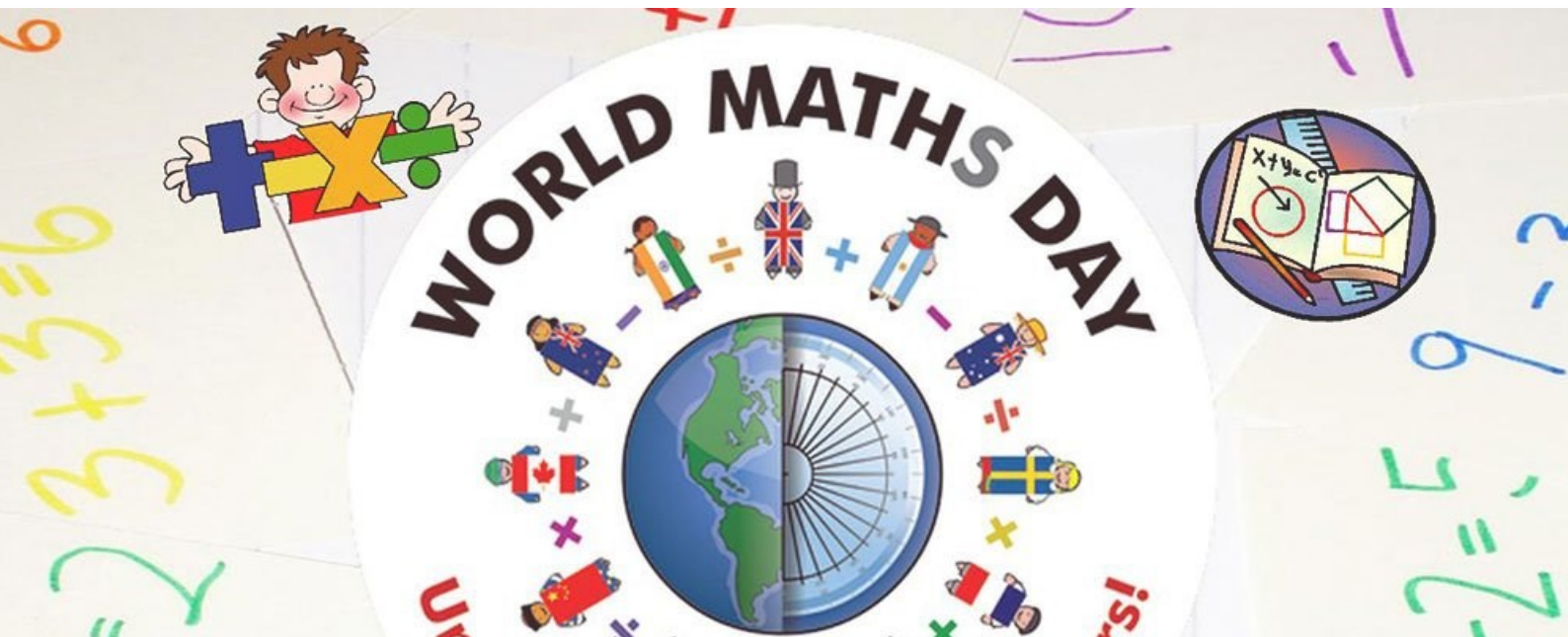
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Newsletter 24th March 2023



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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers

This week has seen lots of extra enrichment opportunities for our children from local trips, performing arts, a World Maths Day and Verde House Charity Day.

On Monday, our year 1 pupils were not deterred by the damp weather when they ventured to Victoria Park for a picnic. The trip's aim was to inspire the children to write quality recounts whilst also bringing school and parents together for a lovely community event. Thank you to all the parents who attended the picnic.

On Wednesday, our lower juniors enjoyed a trip to the Vue cinema to watch the musical Matilda – this was a lovely extension to their drama workshop on World Book Day. The children thoroughly enjoyed the performance and even joined in with some of the songs!

On the same day, our upper juniors ventured to Trinity School to watch their performance of High School Musical. The children were blown away by the quality of the acting and singing: it inspired them for their forthcoming summer production. Mrs Waterfall commented that it was particularly lovely to spot ex-Speenhamland pupils shining on stage. A huge congratulations to Trinity for a sensational production.

Thursday saw our much-anticipated World Maths Day with children across the school taking part in a range of exciting activities which allowed them to apply their Maths skills. A group of more able year 5 pupils also attended Trinity to compete in a Maths Day Challenge against other schools. Our children did phenomenally well taking both first and second prize. A huge congratulations to our budding mathematicians: Swadha, Alec, Atharv, Isla, Angie, Matei and Freddie. You did the school proud!

Today, has been the turn of Verde House who have chosen to support WaterAid as their chosen charity. Across the day, the children have taken part in a range of water-related activities which hopefully have provided them with an appreciation of how fortunate they are to have clean, running water available. We will keep you posted on how much Verde manage to fundraise.

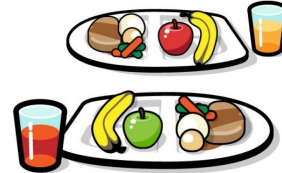
Mrs J Lewry
Headteacher



LAST DAY OF TERM

School closes on
Thursday 30th March 2023 at 1 pm
which will allow for pupils to enjoy a hot meal and also be registered.

**See page 7 of this newsletter
for cook's yummy menu.**



It's Book Fair Time!

We hope you are all enjoyed browsing and purchasing the lovely books and stationery that were on sale at our book fair this week.

Don't worry if you were unable to visit, as the Book Fair will also be running on:

Monday 27th March after school until 3.45 pm

Payment via a QR code or cash please.

Y6 SATs

Information Evening Reminder

We are very much looking forward to seeing you all at our Y6 Parents' Evening next
Wednesday 29th March at 6 pm.

Lots of valuable information!

Y6 SATs

Achievement and PSHE Awards

	SCHOOL	PSHE
Wisteria	William Watt	Toby Andrews
Cherry	Oliver Callow	Rudransh Dwivedi
Oak	Morgan Waterhouse	Georgia Bowley
Ash	Erick Bancu	Emmie Saunders
Willow	Atharv Tripathi	Dylan Viasus Arevalos
Hawthorn	Nusayba Alharbat	Jack Kingston-Jones
Juniper	Avnish Chandramohan	Harley-James Chandler
Maple	Levi Nagy-Galfi	Taran Satheesh
Acer	Brandon Bowley	Layla-Anne Stanswood
Redwood	Arthur Riley	William Fearn
Cedar	Chloe Bowles	Layla-Skye Taylor



HOUSE WINNER THIS WEEK

The Dragon's Eggs results for this week are:

- 1st Laal 280
- 2nd Azul 268
- 3rd Zloty 241
- 4th Verde 220

Congratulations to Laal!

ATTENDANCE

This week's attendance is 91.84%

Last week's attendance was 91.15%

Unfortunately, 512 learning minutes were lost this week through late arrivals, which is an improvement.

Please ensure your child is in class for 8.30 am.

EVERY DAY REALLY DOES MATTER!

Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day



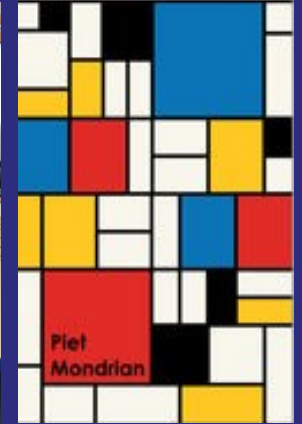
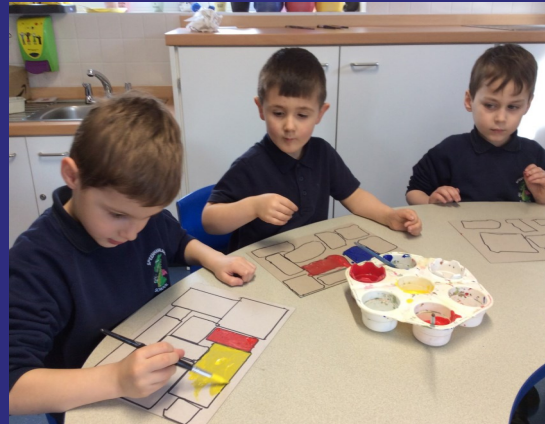
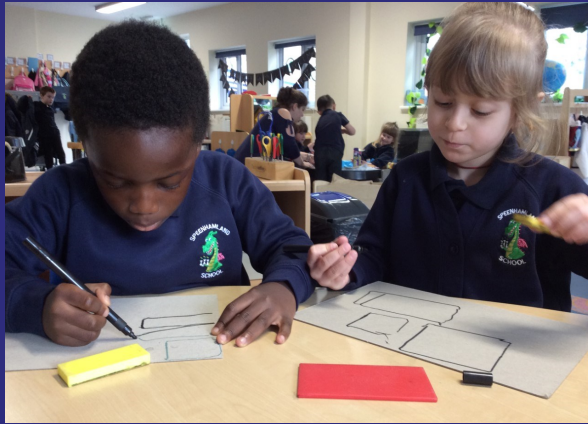
Below are the results for the class that had the most children read 3 times or more from Monday 13th March to Sunday 19th March:

- Acer 22 children
- Redwood 18 children
- Cedar 17 children
- Maple 14 children
- Wisteria 12 children
- Juniper 10 children
- Hawthorn 9 children
- Cherry 9 children
- Oak 6 children
- Ash 6 children
- Willow 4 children

This week's winning class is Acer
Congratulations!



PUPIL'S WONDERFUL WORK THIS WEEK



In Wisteria, the children enjoyed looking at the art work of Piet Mondrian and recreating his work by drawing around shapes and then painting them.



The year 1 children went to Victoria Park on Monday, as part of an experience day to support the learning in their 'Our Trip to the Woods' in English. They had a brilliant time walking, playing games and completing a scavenger hunt in the park. A huge thank you to all the parents who chose to come and spend the morning with us. We are using our experience to write a recount of our trip and hope to share some with you next week!



Congratulations to Alanna from Cherry class who raised the wonderful sum of £75 towards the Syria Turkey Earthquake Appeal selling her hand-made seed bead keyrings and other beautiful crafts.

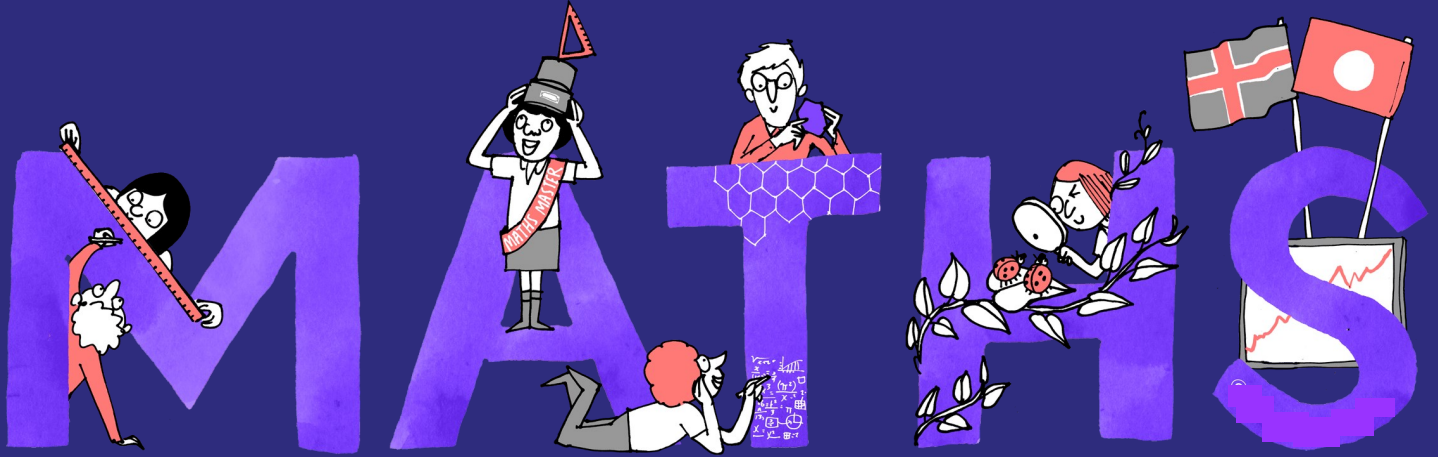


The Ugly Duckling Painting and Pottery Coffee House in Newbury are once again holding a SEN morning this Sunday.

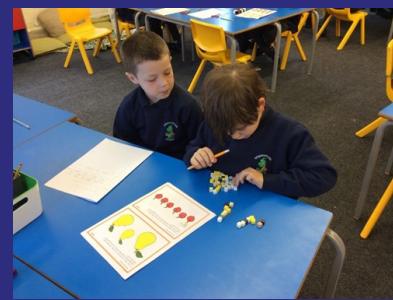


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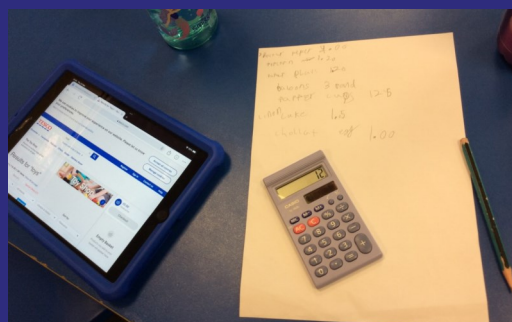
WORLD MATHS DAY WORK



In Wisteria, the children enjoyed a morning of maths outside! Making a natural number line, writing our numbers and creating an obstacle course!



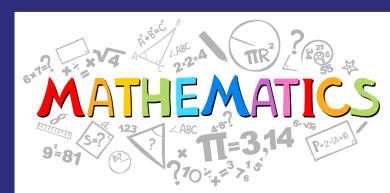
In Infants, the children enjoyed using their math's skills to make rice crispy cakes along with other challenges.



Lower Juniors planned a maths party! We made party hats decorated with maths vocabulary, used our weighing and measuring skills to bake cupcakes, worked on the perimeter of the party hall and budgeted for the food. We found that we had to shop around to get what we wanted within our budget.



Upper Juniors counted the saplings in the adventure playground area and finished making 2D shapes in the forest.



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Forest School

In Forest School this week, the children have used their new-found sawing and hammering skills to create mini martians!



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LUNCH MENU

Aspens



Please see below
our cook's yummy lunch menu
for next week.
Just book via Parent Pay and enjoy!

Aspens

**FOOD
FESTIVAL**
by Aspens

Spring / Summer 2023 : 6/3, 27/3, 17/4, 8/5, 29/5, 19/6, 10/7, 31/7

LUNCH WEEK 3 MENU

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY



MAIN EVENT



MEAT-FREE MAGIC



PASTA TWIRLER



BIG TOPPING



PICK AND MIX



DESSERT TROLLEY

Cheese & Tomato
Baguette Pizza
Sweetcorn

All In One
Sausage & Cheesy
Potato Bake
Carrots

Chicken &
Sweetcorn Pie
Oven Baked Wedges
Peas

Golden Fish Fingers
(Salmon or Pollock)
Chips
Beans

Veggie Bolognese
Whole Grain Pasta
Sweetcorn

All In One Veggie
Sausage & Cheesy
Potato Bake
Carrots

Cheese & Tomato
Pinwheel
Oven Baked Wedges
Peas

Vegetable
Fingers
Chips
Beans

Hot Tomato Pasta

Crispy Skin Jackets with Tasty Toppings

Pick & Mix Packed Lunch

Banoffee
Dessert

Vanilla Iced Sponge

Citrus Rice Crispie
Cake

Apple Sponge
Cake

Flapjack



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EMERGENCY ALERT



HM Government

ALERT TEST
23RD APRIL

EMERGENCY ALERTS

OUR NEW WAY TO WARN YOU WHEN LIVES ARE IN DANGER

The Government testing of the UK Emergency Alerts Service on **Sunday 23rd April** could mean that secret phones held by a victim-survivor of domestic abuse could be discovered by a perpetrator if they are near the victim-survivor/secret phone when the alert goes off.

The alert will be sent to all mobile phones and tablets and may make a loud siren-like sound for about 10 seconds, vibrate or read out the alert even if it's on silent.

More details can be found at:

How emergency alerts work - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Details on the planned alert 23rd April can be found at:

About Emergency Alerts - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)