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Book Week

Our Book Week started with a production of the Secret Garden by M&M Productions. The children thoroughly enjoyed the adaptation and as a result have written their own Secret Garden stories and made Secret Gardens. They are looking forward to sharing these with parents and carers at 2.30 pm today. The children will be bringing home their World Book Day Vouchers this afternoon. These can be exchanged for £1 books either in supermarkets or bookshops, or alternatively can be used towards a more expensive book.

Anybody who has spent more than a minute in the wilderness will recognise just how fun it is to be off technology. M&M Productions' new adaption of the Secret Garden has become an amazing play for young children.

Mary Lennox, the niece to Lord Craven, has arrived in Mistle Weight Manor after her parents died of Cholera. She has to learn that not everyone will do as she pleases. Martha, the maid, has become friends with Mary, but is still keeping one secret. When Mary is in the garden she discovers another garden.

But this is not just an ordinary garden. Mary decides to call it her Secret Garden, not knowing its history. Not only has it been locked up for a decade, the key has also been hidden.

Part of a review by Imogen Fearn Class 11

Book Fair

Our Annual Book Fair is visiting us next week and will be open from next Tuesday 10 March until Monday 16 March inclusive in the Dining Hall after school. The children will be able to use the World Book Day Vouchers at this event.

KS2 Evacuation to Great Bedwyn

On Friday 28th February, the Upper Juniors were evacuated to Great Bedwyn where we were greeted by some local women, known as Billeting Officers who put us through our paces in a series of tests. After some hard physical challenges, we received squash and biscuits before we were sorted into our host families. We played games and were soon on our way back to school. Overall, the experience was great fun as we got to experience what it might have been like for an evacuee, but it would not have been possible without the Speenhamland staff and Trinity helpers.

By Evie Murphy, Class 10

Reminders

- If your child has an allergy please remember to return the form that was sent out recently. Spare forms available from the office.
- EYFS. Don't forget to come to the EYFS Every Picture Tells a Story Gallery at 2.30 pm on Monday 30 March to be held in the Hall.
- The Book Fair will be held between the 10 and 16 March. The children will be able to spend their book token at the fair.



Year 4 Camping

We are finalising arrangements for our trip to Rushall Farm in June. We will be organising a parents' meeting after Easter to confirm details and answer any questions you may have.

Sister Act—Year 5

We have arranged for our Year 5's to watch the Trinity Performance of Sister Act on Wednesday 18 March. Mrs Marney and Miss Hipgrave will walk the children to Trinity in the morning but will need to leave school at 8.45 promptly and they will be back to school for lunch. We will send a text on the morning of the show as a reminder for the early start to the day. If you do not wish your child to watch the production please let the office know by Monday 16 March.

Coins Easter Celebration—Year 6

Our Year 6 children have again been invited by COINS for their Easter Celebration at St Nicolas church. This event is on Wednesday 18 March and during the normal school morning. The children will be accompanied by Mrs Munro and Mrs Richardson. If you do not wish your child to attend, please let the office know by Monday 16th March.

Sports Relief

Next Friday we are supporting Sport Relief. During the day, the children will take part in the "daily mile" and can come to school dressed as a sports personality for a donation of £1.

Sporting Fixtures

Unfortunately, the weather got the better of us this week and as a result Boys Football and Tag Rugby were cancelled by the organisers. I am pleased to say that the weather looks better for today's Netball Tournament and wish the team luck as they take on other local schools at Trinity.

Mrs E Parish—Associate Headteacher

Diary Dates

New dates bold and underscored

02-03-20	M&M Production in school
05-03-20	World Book Day—details to follow
13-03-20	Break a Rule Day (donations of Easter themed craft and chocolate TBC)
<u>18-03-20</u>	<u>Sister Act at Trinity—Y5 Pupils</u>
<u>18-03-20</u>	<u>Coins Easter Celebration at St Nicolas Church—Y6 pupils</u>
24-03-20	Choir to Anvil
27-03-20	Bingo and Pizza Evening
<u>30-03-20</u>	<u>EYFS Parent Gallery. Foundation parents invited to attend to look at some of the artwork the children have created</u>
w/c 30-03-20	Easter Raffle—ticket drawn
<u>02-04-20</u>	<u>Stackpole Information Evening 5.30 pm Y6 parents in Class 11</u>
03-04-20	School closes at 3 pm for Easter Holiday
20-04-20	Pupils return to school
14-05-20	St Nicolas' Coffee Morning (Y5)
04-07-20	Summer Fair (possible American theme)

