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WORLD BOOK DAY 2023

By Mrs Zoe Lees, Librarian and Careers Co-ordinator.



There was a real buzz of excitement in the air last week as we celebrated World Book Day across the School, with both pupils and members of staff attending school dressed up as a character from their chosen book. We even had the T-Rex from Jurassic Park in the Library!

There were some absolutely amazing costumes, and as this was a Silver House Event, Mr Browning and Mrs Finch had the challenging task of selecting the best dressed characters from the Prep and Senior School. Prizes and House Points were awarded to the winners.

This event has a positive impact on our school

community to promote reading for pleasure and, dressing up is a popular way to encourage children (particularly reluctant readers) to engage with reading. It really does help create fun and excitement around reading.

World Book Day supports our aim to foster a reading for pleasure culture in our school and for young people to see that reading is fun and can have a positive impact on a variety of areas of their lives – this was also reinforced with the discussions and a number of World Book Day activities that staff included in lessons such as competitions and

virtual author events.

Prep School

EYFS/KS1 Winner:

Jasper aka
Alien's Love Underpants

EYFS/KS1 Runner Up:

Bastian aka
Fantastic Mr Fox

KS2 Winner:

William B aka
Mr Wormwood from Matilda

KS2 Runner Up:

Amelia G aka
Ganster Granny

Staff Winner:

Mrs Linford-Wood

Senior School:

1st Place:

Peaky Blinders
Daisy C, Thea S, Freya S,
Amelia W, Eleanor W

2nd Place:

Mr Men & Little Miss
Pusita B, Reeva R, Robyn P,
Edie C, Zaarin T, Stephanie S

3rd Place:

Miss Peregrine's Home for
Peculiar Children
Idunn H-P, Emma W, Anna
E, Lucy C, Bess C, Stella D,
Scarlett O

4th Place:

Prince Harry
Grace C

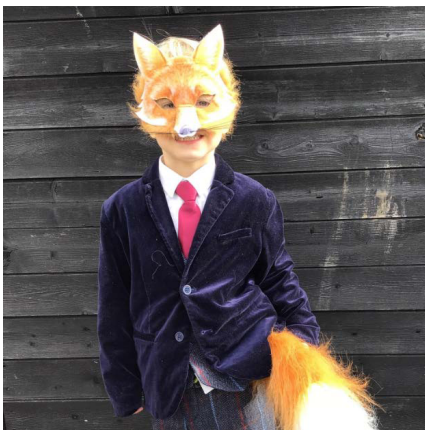
Staff Joint Winners:

Mrs Looker & Mrs Palmer



Snapshot

World Book Day



Prep School News



Swimming Competition

KS2 took part in their Inter-House Swimming competition this week and all the pupils enjoyed the afternoon.

Special mention to the four Year 5 pupils Edessa, George, Oliver and Flo who helped support the Year 3 & 4 teams.



Thank You IHSA

The KS2 children have been enjoying their new playground equipment

There has been so many new games played and lots of smiles! This was all funded by the IHSA, thank you so much!



Colchester Zoo

Year 6 had a lovely time at Colchester Zoo. They visited a lot of the animals and attended an Evolution and Inheritance workshop.



Wooden Spoon Characters

The Prep School children were asked to decorate a wooden spoon as a character from a book as part of the World Book Day celebrations this year. The entries were all fantastic and ranged from Where's Wally to Supertato and the Three Little Pigs. Well done to our winners for their excellent spoons.



Animal Spies

Year 1 have been learning about animals you might find in grassy areas. They went on a hunt in the playground to look for different animals and plants. They enjoyed using their magnifying glasses like super animal spotting spies!



Senior News



Quizlet Linguist

Evie who is studying her Spanish A Level is a committed linguist and a fantastic role model for our language students. Recently, Evie received notification from Quizlet that she has completed a 26 week streak in her vocabulary learning activities and tests. In addition, her review from 2022 showed that she is in the top 1% of Quizlet learners in the UK, which is a fantastic achievement.

National ISA Cross Country

On Saturday 4th March we had four pupils represent the ISA East Anglia team in the national finals at Worksop College. There were some fantastic results as follows: Alev (7th), Laura (7th), Jonathan (31st) and Leo (30th). A huge well done to all the pupils involved and for competing in a very tough competition.

Spanish 'Carnaval' Masks

Year 9 Spanish students have been looking at the topic of 'Carnaval', learning about its origin in Brazil's Rio de Janeiro. Having completed some research, vocabulary and reading exercises, students then tested their knowledge with a quiz, made a collaborative poster and crafted some beautiful masks



Hello Rocks

As part of Modern Foreign Languages Week, The Cultural Craft Club painted rocks to represent the flag with a greeting from 20 different countries. They then had fun hiding them around the school site as part of a treasure hunt activity. Year Seven students who discover rocks should take them to their language teacher in return for a house point and some 'treasure'. There are still a few rocks left to find, so Year 7 students should keep their eyes peeled!



Suffolk Festival of Performing Arts

Congratulations to Bessie and Kitty for representing the school at the Suffolk Festival of Performing Arts over the weekend. They both achieved 3rd places in tough sections.



School News



Sports Scholars AEG Nutrition Visit

Last Friday the Sports Scholars were visited by AEG Nutrition who enriched their knowledge and understanding about different foods. Thank you to Anna Groom for taking the time to work with our scholars.

If you are able to share your knowledge as part of our sports scholars programme, please get in touch with Miss Wooltorton.

**IHSA
FUN FAMILY BINGO**

25TH MARCH 2023
4PM ARRIVAL IN THE ORANGERY
£12 PER TICKET

Includes jacket potato with a choice of fillings and a sweet treat.

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The Wellbeing Hub for School Community

We are pleased to announce the introduction of TeenTips, an online Wellbeing Hub for every family within our school community. There is a range of online resources available for parents and pupils.

To sign up visit the relevant link below:

Parents sign up: <https://bit.ly/WBIHSParents>

Students aged 10-13 sign up: <https://bit.ly/WBIHSPupils1013>

Students aged 13+ sign up: <https://bit.ly/WBIHSPupils13>



Alumni exhibits at The Royal Society of British Artists

Ciel, a recent Alumni who completed Sixth Form last year has had her painting exhibited at The Mall Galleries in London. Her artwork is part of the annual Exhibition of The Royal Society of British Artists (RBA).



Boarding News

The Dairy House has had an eventful week again! Treat night is always popular on Thursdays and last week we also hosted Year 7 students for a boarding taster experience. What a great night we had. Matrons Most Famous Milkshakes were a great hit. Banana, chocolate and strawberry creations full of delicious ice cream and goodies. We played ping pong, watched movies and relaxed with our friends having a great sleep over. The next morning, off we went to breakfast in The Orwell Kitchen and had a lovely social time eating and catching up with our friends before school. Year 7 boarding taster experiences continue, watch out for your tutor group invite.

The Ypres trip also filled the House with extra visitors, laughter and friends as a lovely group of Year 9 students had a sleep over before the early start to head off to Belgium.

However, the full boarders probably had the most exciting trip at the weekend. We went to watch Circus Fantasia at Trinity Park Showground. Wow! The big circus tent is exciting enough, but the show was fantastic, amazing performers and a great experience. We have so much to talk about in our oral exams coming up soon.



LRC News

Overdue Library Books

A reminder to return all overdue Library books. If they are not returned to the LRC or placed into one of our 'Book Return Boxes' before the holiday, you will be charged for the book via ParentPay at the end of each Term.

Work Experience Deadlines

Year 9 will take part in a Take Your Child to Work Day. The deadline for paperwork is 20th March 2023.

Year 10 deadline for Work Experience paperwork from their employer/s is Friday 19th May 2023.



In Need of Support?

During school hours, please contact our Designated Safeguarding Lead: Ms Extance or, Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads: Mrs Finch (Prep School), Mrs Offord (Senior School), Mrs Vickers (Sixth Form) - on 01473 780201.

With out of school hours support below:

- YoungMinds: 24/7 - Text YM to 85258
- Samaritans: 24/7 - 116123
- Kooth: kooth.com
- Sexual assault: NSPCC - 0800 136 663 / help@nspcc.org.uk
- Sexual assault local contact: The Ferns - 0300 123 5058
- Childline: Call 0800 1111 or 1-2-1 chat online
- NHS Mental Health Support: 111, option 2
- Online bullying: thinkUknow.co.uk



Suffolk Mind Careers Speaker

Thursday 16th March 2023

Enrichment 2 at 3.30 - 4.20pm in the LRC (Library)



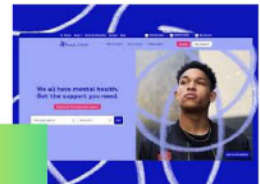
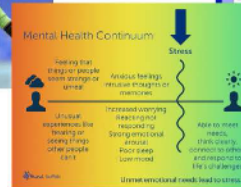
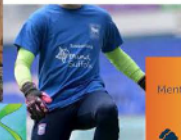
Jon Neal - CEO

This informative talk is for all senior pupils (Y7-13) interested in Charities : Maths : Planning : Psychology : Business Studies : IT : RS : Marketing : Management : Communication : Customer Service : Politics : Helping people : Sociology : English : Journalism

Following a career in corporate communications and marketing – in the public, private and VCSE sectors – Jon joined Suffolk Mind in 2016 and set about building on existing efforts to diversify the charity's income base. Since that time, Suffolk Mind has grown in reputation and income, and is now able to help more people in the county.

Jon will talk to us about working in the Charity Sector and the variety of job opportunities available within a variety of fields.

All attendees will be registered within this enrichment





As part of British Science week we will be holding the Ipswich High School Science Week. The theme of this year's Science Week is 'Connections'.

Monday 13th March

Science Week Assembly. Miss Bagley will be discussing connections within the brain and Miss Pettit will be introducing the TikTok Challenge.

Tuesday 14th March

Year 10 Zoo trip. All of Year 10 will investigate classification and adaptation with lectures and research at Colchester Zoo.

Wednesday 15th March

A Sixth Form Physics trip to Suffolk Escape Room. Students will engage their brains using their problem-solving skills.

Thursday 16th March

Science Fair Competition, Thursday ER2 in Lab 4 for Years 7 and 8. Students with competition exhibits please hand them in to Mrs Wilesmith. All Year 7 and 8 students can visit the exhibition on Thursday during prep which is in ER2.

Friday 17th March

Year 9 Interschools Practical Science Competition; a team of six Year 9 students will compete against other schools.

Year 7 Forensic challenge

Various times in normal science lessons.