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Last Wednesday evening, the Fundraising Committee held the second Winter Warmer at Duke's, with pie and peas on the menu.

This was held to provide a safe, warm space where people could come and socialise, as well as have a free meal and drinks. There was also a quiz and other activities.

The night was a success, with over 40 members of our community attending as well as many of the school Governors—not bad for an event in January!

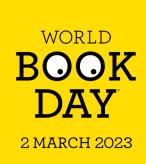


Lastly, huge thanks to ASDA who donated some of the food/ drinks for the night.

World Book Day was created by UNESCO on 23rd April 1995 as **a worldwide celebration of books and reading**. It is marked in over 100 countries around the globe. The first World Book Day in the UK and Ireland took place in 1997 to encourage young people to discover the pleasure of reading.

We have celebrated World Book Day at Duke's in a variety of ways over the past decade: staff fancy dress; Drop Everything and Read; Squashed Stories and many more.

This year, look out for staff current reads being displayed across the school; Desert Island Books, where members of staff have listed the books they just cannot live without and also Staff Shelfies: staff have taken photos of their book shelves at home and students will be using their detective skills to see if they can figure out which shelf belongs to which teacher.





National Apprenticeship Week 2023 date announced.

The 16th annual National Apprenticeship Week will take place from 6^{h} to 12^{h} February 2023.

National Apprenticeship Week (NAW) 2023 aims to shine a light on the amazing work being done by apprentices, employers, and their training providers across the country.

The theme for National Apprenticeship Week 2023 is 'Skills for Life'. The annual week-long celebration of apprenticeships, taking place across England, will reflect on how apprenticeships can help individuals to develop the skills and knowledge required for a rewarding career, and businesses to develop a talented workforce that is equipped with futureready skills.



Duke's Secondary School will be hosting our own events during the week, which will include The Big Assembly, apprenticeship registration workshops, apprenticeship fairs, tutor time activities and many more! For more information about national events happening during the week, please visit <u>naw.appawards.co.uk</u>

You can also keep up to date with the latest National Apprenticeship Week news by following social media channels: <u>@Apprenticeships</u> and <u>@AmazingAppsUK</u> on Twitter and Apprenticeships Gov on LinkedIn.

To find out more about NAW 2023, please visit:

https://naw.appawards.co.uk/



Wednesday 8th February. 4.30 - 6pm

Year 7 and 8 Tickets only £1.50



Tuck shop and hot dogs on sale Tickets on sale from lunch club or Mrs Young. Positive behaviour is needed to attend.

World Cup Reading Challenge!

The month of December 2022 held the football World Cup and for Duke's meant the launch of the World Cup Reading challenge!

Year 7 took part in the reading tournament which saw the 32 most popular library books pitted against each other just like the 32 countries taking place in the World Cup. Students earned Elite Praise Points for each reading match they took part in which consisted of them reading extracts from two books, choosing their favourite and writing a review of their favourite extract. The books with the most votes made it through each round until eventually Gangsta Granny by David Walliams was named the champion book!

Chloe Smith (pictured) won first prize which was a signed football top from the NUFC women's team and was presented to her by Miss Donnelly (pictured) the goal keeper and captain of the NUFC team. Runners up received certificates and a football book signed by Miss Donnelly too!

