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Weekly Newsletter

Peak Wildlife Park

Last Friday, Year 4 visited Peak Wildlife Park as part of their learning about climate change. It was a bit chilly and decidedly soggy but the children's enthusiasm for the animals could not be dampened. Particular favourites were the two Polar Bears, Nanook and Noori and they enjoyed the immersive walk-through enclosures where they were able to meet the wallabies and capybaras.

Many thanks to all our parent who contributed toward the cost of our trip and a special thanks to the parent helpers who accompanied us on the day.

Girls Football

Last Friday, our team competed in a tournament at Powerleague, hosted by Stockport County. It was a great experience all round!

The girls started brilliantly, opening up the tournament with a dominant 14-0 win against St. George's followed by a 9-0 victory against St Matthew's. We then faced a tough Hursthead side and were edged out 3-1, placing us second in the group stage.

The girls teamwork was impressive throughout with hat tricks from Leyla, Nancy and Luna, great keeper skills from Erin and strong defensive skills from Martha, Ivy and Bea.

Girl of the tournament was awarded to Leyla.

Well done team!

School Meal Ordering

The kitchen staff have said that increasingly, children are arriving at the serving hatch and telling them they don't like the food that has been ordered for them.

Please could we ask parents to take the time to order their children's meals at home, checking that the child does actually like, and will eat, what's being ordered.

Unfortunately, it isn't always possible to change the order at such a late stage as the food has been cooked to the number of meals ordered.

Thank you.

Year 3 Design and Technology

Over the last few weeks, Year 3 have been designing and making their latest DT project. Their design brief was to create a moving picture which represented their imaginary machine and had to include at least two different mechanisms to make part of the picture move.

They all came up with some fantastic ideas and really loved using both fixed and loose pivots to create their different mechanisms!

The results were fantastic!

Well done Year 3!

GROW STARS OF THE WEEK

Reception

Reny & Tobias

KS1

Year 1: Elliot & Dennis

Year 2: Kaiden & Ruby

KS2

Year 3: Matthew & Eve

Year 4: Elaria & Florence

Year 5: Fiadh & Tilly

Year 6: Alex & James

Blind Date With A Book

This week, our school librarians and Mrs Kennerley, have launched an exciting new initiative to inspire children to discover and enjoy new books. 'Blind Date With A Book' invites pupils to choose a mystery book wrapped in paper, using only a few clues to guide their selection. Once unwrapped, the hidden title is revealed, ready to be explored and enjoyed.

It's a fantastic idea that sparks curiosity, encourages reading for pleasure and adds a fun element of surprise to the library experience.

Top Pick Book of the Week

Ning and the Night Spirits by Adriena Fong

Suggested reading age: 3+

Ning has always heard tales of the night spirits that used to haunt the little village where he lives. Secretly, he wonders if they're really as bad as everyone says - but he is too shy to ask. When Ning finds himself in the forest at night, he meets a creature who introduces him to the spirits' secret world and he discovers that all is not as it seems.....

Ning and the Night Spirits is such a heartwarming, beautifully illustrated picture book. Largely inspired by East and South East Asian folklore, mythical creatures and festivals, it is ideal for those introverted and shy children who can read this and find their voice.

When Ning meets the Spirit Light, an adorable friendship unfolds and the reader can feel empowered to be confident and stand up for what they believe in. Facing fears is so important for young children, so this makes Ning and the Night Spirits and essential read!

DATES FOR THE DIARY

For a full list of dates for the 2025-26 academic year, please see our Annual Planner which can be accessed by clicking on this link.

Date	Event
February	
13th	**Last day of term**
23rd	**School reopens**
24th	Year 3 trip to Bolton Museum
March	
5th	World Book Day
9th	Year 2 visit to Staircase House
9th-11th	Year 6 residential
16th	Parent Teacher Meetings
18th	Parent Teacher Meetings
23rd	Class photos
26th	Easter Disco
27th	**Last day of term**