



# NEWSLETTER

Our Value for this half term is



Friday 7th March 2025

Welcome

What a brilliant week it's been! World Book Day was a huge hit; our school was full of amazing 'wordy' costumes yesterday – thank you for your amazing creativity. The Book Fair has been buzzing with excitement, and it was lovely to see so many children eager to pick out new books. Thank you once again for embracing and supporting this event.

We have been treated to a visit from Mrs Gordon this week, who thoroughly enjoyed meeting the children and staff and starting to get to know our school community in readiness for her start after Easter.

A final reminder to follow the link in the main email to complete the parents' survey. We have now received around 90 responses – thank you for your feedback so far. We'd love to hear from every parent/carer! The survey will close on Thursday 13th March so please spare 5 minutes this week if you possible can.



## Values—Respect

Here is a reminder of our respect value story:

Respect at Webheath is at our heart, demonstrated in every act of every day through our careful actions. From the listening ear, to the care of our environment that we all cherish; small actions make the difference here at Webheath. All our community have strengths they bring to the collective team that are recognised and admired. Out of the respect for each other, we respond, coach, support, challenge and drive forward to enable the team.



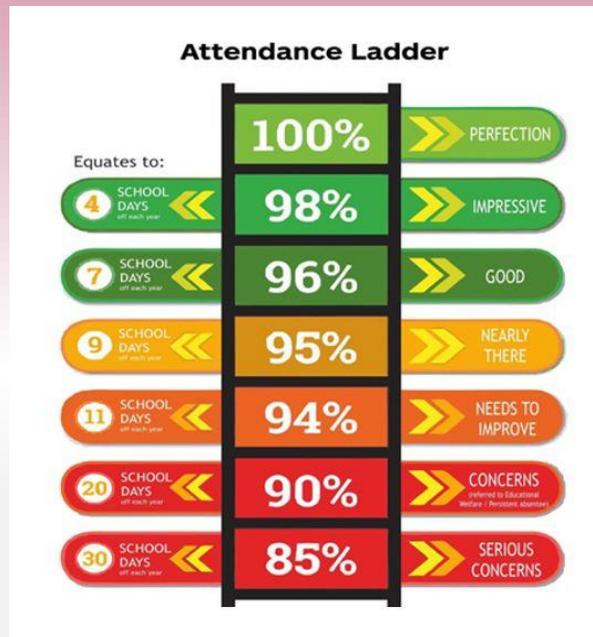
# Attendance

Our whole school attendance this week is 96.6%.

Some super attendance results this week for our classes!

Congratulations to the Attendance Cup winners:  
2JR/KE and 6MM with 99.6% - just 1 mark missing  
Silver: 3KG with 98.8% - 2 marks missing  
Bronze: 6EW and 1ZP with 98.5% - 4 marks missing

Well done everyone!



# Save the date!

Monday 10th March – Friday 14th March – British Science Week

Friday 14th March – TED – School Closed to children

Saturday 15th March – MAT staff Charity run

Friday 21st March – Year 1 Reading café - 9.15am

Monday 24th March – Wednesday 26th March – Year 6 Residential trip

Monday 31st March – Open classroom Year R – Year 6 – 3:30-4:30pm

Wednesday 2nd April – MAT Showcase Artrix Theatre

Friday 4th April – Dare to be different day – Chocolate donations

Monday 7th April – Wednesday 9th April – Online parents evening 4-7pm

Wednesday 9th April – Friends Chocolate Tombola after School 3.15pm

Thursday 10th April – Year 4 Alexandra Theatre Visit – Horrible Histories

Friday 11th April – Respect value day and ambassador assembly

Friday 11th April – End of spring term 2

Monday 14th April – Friday 25th April – Easter Holidays

Monday 28th April – School opens for start of Summer term



# Opal

OPAL's vision is that every child, in every school, has an amazing hour of high-quality play every day – with no exceptions. If one child is not enjoying playtimes, then things still need improving.

This week in OPAL the children have particularly enjoyed hunting for small objects to create their own creepy crawly nests and bug hotels! Using sticks and rocks and leaves, many children used their imaginations and worked together as a team to create homes for our Webbeath wildlife.

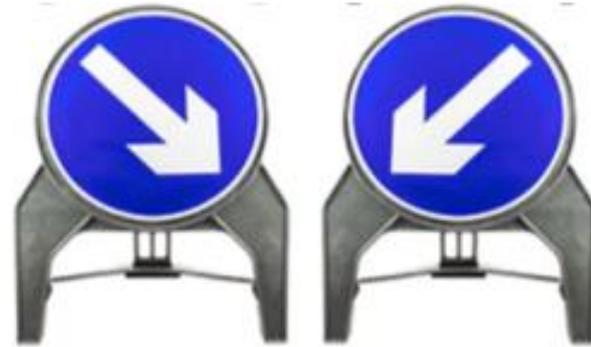
It has been lovely having the sun shining this week in OPAL, which is the perfect opportunity for us to do some planting and gardening with the children. We are so grateful for all the donations we have had so far as they really help us take OPAL to the next level. If anyone has any donations of wellies, gardening gloves/tools, or any large loose parts and pots they would be truly appreciated.

## Donations:

We are always looking out for new resources to keep the children excited and engaged in play. This week we are in need of the following items:

- Sandpit toys (buckets, spades and sieves)
  - Small toy cars
  - Plastic play pit balls





We are always on the hunt for large loose parts to progress on our OPAL journey. If you can get hold of any of the items shown, we would be extremely grateful. Please drop any donations off in the bottom car park, on the grass area. All items will be risk assessed before adding them to our existing resources.

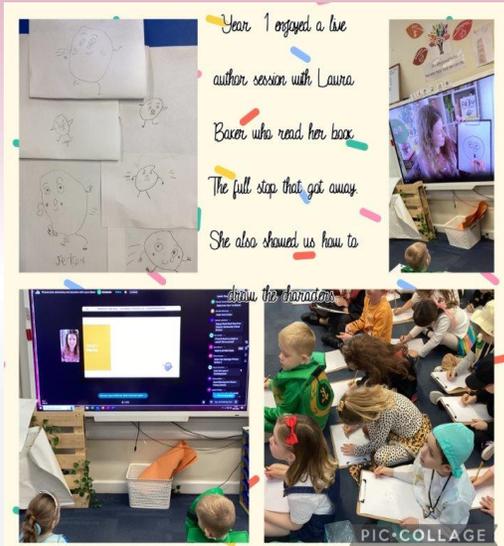


# Book Fair and World Book Day

- Oh what fun we had!



To celebrate the range of vocabulary, Y4 had a lot of fun performing a catwalk of their words!



Year 3 joined with the Nursery children to share a story.



Year 4 joined with Year 1 for some 'extreme reading'.



Some members of G&EW showing off their creativity with all different types of 'word' costumes. Well done everyone!



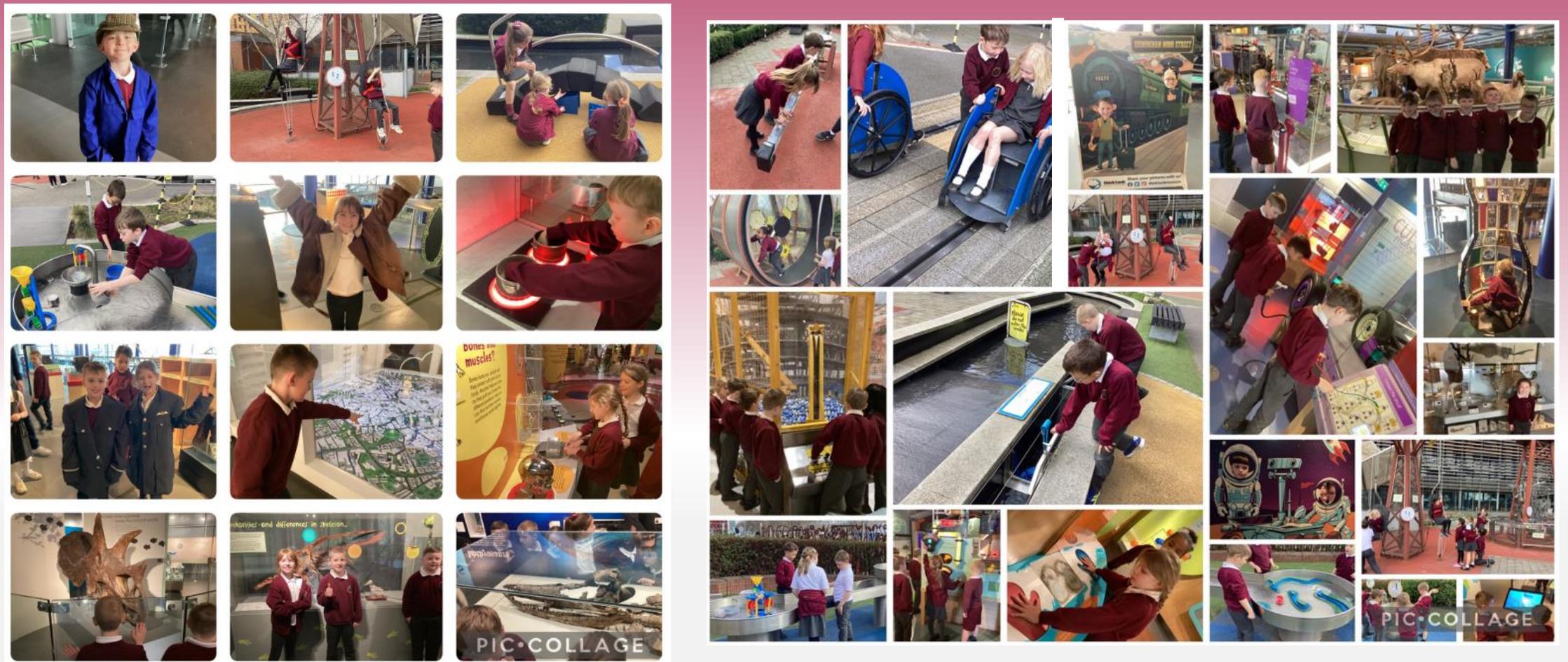
Thank You for Your Support on World Book Day!  
A huge thank you to all our parents and carers for your fantastic support in making World Book Day such a success! From helping children plan their amazing costumes to encouraging them with our Tier 2 vocabulary theme, your involvement has made a real difference.

We're also excited to announce that the winners of the Read Your Way extreme reading challenge will be revealed in the newsletter next week—well done to everyone who took part!

Great news—our book fair has raised a fantastic amount to fund new books for our school. We truly appreciate your support, and we'll share the final total next week.

Thank you again for celebrating the joy of reading with us! 📖 ✨

Year 3 had an amazing time on their trip to Thinktank in Birmingham on Monday. The children's behaviour was exemplary, and they learnt so many new and interesting things. One of our highlights was seeing a real ichthyosaur skeleton just like Mary Anning, and exploring the many interactive exhibits in the Science Garden. Many thanks to all the parents/carers for your support with the trip and especially to the helpers that joined us on the day.



## Sensory Learning Garden

A huge thank you to the Friends of Webheath and all the wonderful volunteers for giving up your time today to start the redevelopment of our school sensory learning garden. It is looking so much more loved already. I am sure there will be some sore muscles this evening!



## Science Club

The Science Ambassadors have started to explore experiments this half term, in readiness to support others. This week it was 'Grow a Rainbow'. The children were very successful, and were amazed to see how the colours made the rainbow.



A special mention to these children who have been to show me their Science work this week, which I love to see.

-Harper K - A fantastic piece all about seeds and plants, with clear diagrams.

-Emily B and Violet - who have created a non-fiction text about different plants at home!

Miss Pettit



## Charity Run - Saturday 15th March



On Saturday 15th March, Dan Taylor from North Bromsgrove High School will be running from North Bromsgrove to each of the Trust schools. He will be starting his run at 8.30am, visiting each of the schools within the Shires Trust before running back to North Bromsgrove. He will be joined on different stages of the run by staff from across the Trust. The total running distance is just over 23 miles.

We would love to offer the runners as much support as possible when they arrive at Webheath. Since we are the 'last stop' on the journey before the return leg to Bromsgrove, this is likely to be around 11.30am. If anyone can be along Birchfield Road or outside school to cheer on the runners and perhaps offer a jelly baby or two along the route, we know this would give them a real boost at this stage in the run. We are asking supporters to **arrive at school by 11am** to cheer the runners on. Feel free to join in the running if you wish. (See attached poster for locations and rough timings)

The run is in aid of **The Grace Kelly Childhood Cancer Trust** since they have supported multiple families from across the Trust in recent years. Any contribution you can make is greatly appreciated.

If you wish to make a donation, the link to Dan's Just Giving page is on the main email:

[https://www.justgiving.com/page/daniel-taylor-1971?utm\\_medium=FR&utm\\_source=CL](https://www.justgiving.com/page/daniel-taylor-1971?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL)

## Volunteers needed - Chocolate Tombola!

The Friends Association Easter chocolate tombola will be back Wednesday 9th April at 3:15pm on the main playground and by the school hall.

Friends are looking for a few volunteers to set up, sell tickets, and help our lucky winners pick out their chocolatey prizes. The best part? You'll only need to spare half an hour of your time. If you're able to lend a hand, Friends would love to hear from you. Every little bit helps, and together we can make this event a huge fundraising success for the school! 🍫🍌

If you'd like to help, be mindful that parents evenings take place this same week on Monday 7th and Wednesday 9th, so you would need to book your slot around the event.

If you'd like to volunteer, please email [friendsofwebheath@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofwebheath@gmail.com)



## Community News

Ridgeway Secondary School have badminton classes starting Tuesday 18th March 2025 for 4 sessions followed by another block of sessions in the Summer Term.

Their programme, developed by England Grassroots Coach of the Year will give your child the opportunity to develop their badminton in a structured, fun and safe environment. The programme is unique as they not only develop badminton skills on court but also focus on the child's self development off court, promoting positive values and life skills.

Badminton England Coach, Luke Evans, looks forward to delivering the popular programme which is already being taught to almost 400 members throughout the Midlands.

Book your first 4 sessions by following the link below.

Age 8 to 11 - <https://bit.ly/4baT745>

Age 11 to 16 - <https://bit.ly/4h5T66Z>

Don't forget that next week is a four day week in school for the children as we have a TED on Friday 14th March.

Enjoy a lovely sunny weekend!

Mrs Heffernan