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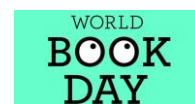
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FEBRUARY 2018 NEWSLETTER

World Book Day Thursday 1st March

As you know, we had John Giller in last Monday to do some drama work based on The Jungle Book. The idea was to bring the text to life so that on World Book Day we can do some writing activities and get some real quality work. On Thursday, we have invited the children to create their own mask based on a jungle animal, and to wear them to school.



StarLincs Planetarium

We are very lucky to have been able to book the Starlincs Planetarium for Thursday 8th March. This is a mobile planetarium in a self-contained darkened classroom that brings an exciting visual display of the night sky and ensures that children are given the opportunity to learn all about space in a fantastic, fun and educational environment.



Dogs Trust

On 7 March a representative from DogsTrust is coming in to deliver two exciting and interactive dog-themed workshops that enhance all curriculum subjects. One of the Workshops is 'The Be Dog Smart Safety Workshop' which will give the children an understanding of how to behave safely around dogs.



Science Federation Day March 15th

We are hosting this day at Sedgeford and continues the space theme. Amazingly we have the opportunity to work with some real moon rock collected by NASA in the 1960s and 1970s. Very few people are given the chance and there are high security regulations we have to conform to! A real once in a life time opportunity. The day will include a range of other activities, with children circulating round on a carousel basis.



KS2 Science workshop

We continue our science theme with a STEM (science, technology, engineering and maths) workshop run by Smithdon on Tuesday 13 March. The Smithdon Year 10 Stem Club students have prepared a series of fun and challenging activities to run with the children in Class 2.



Mothers' Day Service

Our Mothers' Day Service will be held in the school on Monday 12th March at 2pm. All children will have a part. All welcome. Refreshments will be available after the Service.



Crossed Words Workshop 20th March

Y6 are invited to attend a workshop at Docking. Experienced tutors from the Norwich writers' group will work with Year 6s from the Federation to translate the popular fairytale *Hansel & Gretel* into a new creative form - e.g. a modern story, rap poem or radio play.

Finished creative pieces will then be performed to the group and recorded. Letter to follow.

Attendance

Just a reminder that if your child will be absent, please phone us before 9.30am. If we do not hear, we will try to contact you and if that fails and we still have not heard by 12 o'clock, we are obliged to take action - first a home visit, if possible and then we will contact the police. I know this sounds heavy handed but safeguarding must be our first concern and, as you may have seen in the news recently, there have even been extreme cases where a parent has died and the children have been alone at home with them, only discovered when the school raised the alarm.

Other Dates

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| 1 March | World Book Day |
| 7 March | DogsTrust Workshops |
| 8 March | StarLincs Planetarium |
| 9 March | Sports Council Meeting |
| 12 March | 2pm: Mother's Day Service at School |
| 13 March | 1.30pm: Smithdon Pupils in for Science for Class 2 |
| 15 March | Federation Day at Sedgeford |
| 20 March | Crossed Words Workshop at Docking for Year 6 |
| 22 March | Y5 taster day at Smithdon |
| 28 March | Children Break for Easter |
| 16 April | Children Return from the Easter Break. |

