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Newsletter 24th February 2023

Welcome back after the Half-Term break. We have had a very busy week to start our term this week.

This week, children in Year 3 and 4 visited North Prospect Library. The children enjoyed a sunny walk from school to the library, learnt about how the library system works, events which take place in the library and listened to a story.

On Wednesday, we also had a special visitor to school, Rob Holmes, who is a local author. He came to talk to the children about his books about Master Owl who helps children to learn about the value of mindfulness, the importance of kindness and generosity. A letter has been sent out today with a booking form and more information about how you can purchase one of Rob's books if you are interested in buying a copy. Please return your completed form to school by Friday 3rd March 2023.

A little reminder that next Friday (**3rd March 2023**) is World Book Day at school. The children are invited to come to school dressed as an 'unsung hero' on this day. We have lots of fantastic activities planned and are really looking forward to sharing these with you next week in our newsletter and on Facebook. Cape Town Class also have their Celebration of Learning event, next Tuesday 28th February at 2:15pm in the school library.

We hope you have a lovely weekend and look forward to welcoming parents into school next week for our class events and our parent and toddler group.

Mrs Kathryn Catherwood

Head of School

Weekly attendance for 20th February - 24th February

The UK Government expectation is 96%. We are striving for children to achieve this as there is a direct link between attendance and achievement.

This week, our whole school attendance is 92.3%

This week's winners are : **Mombasa Class** and **Canberra Class**

LONDON	89.7
NAIROBI	91.3
MOMBASA	96.4
CAPE TOWN	95.6



SAN FRANCISCO	86.7
TOKYO	93.0
SANTIAGO	92.0
CANBERRA	94.8
DUBAI	85.2
OSLO	94.6

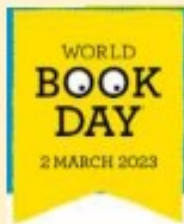
Rob Holmes - Author Visit - Thursday 23rd February 2023

These Master Owl stories help children to learn about the value of mindfulness, the importance of kindness, generosity, for-

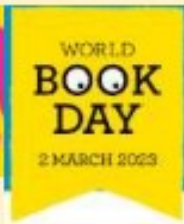


You can listen to Rob Holmes read his book Master Owl meets Miss Bunny here: [Master Owl meets Miss Bunny, narrated by Rob Holmes - www.robholmes.org - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)





World Book Day



2023

Weston Mill World Book Day
Friday 3rd March

Dress up theme: Unsung
heroes.

Class Reading Carnival.

Live online World Book Day
lessons.

Dress your classroom door
challenge.





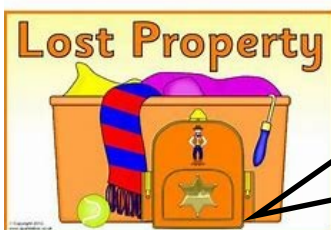
Children arriving at school before 9:10am should do so through the gate onto the playground and through their normal entrance door. For children arriving to school after 9:10am, the main office door should be used to ensure that your child is registered and their lunch choice has been taken.

This main office door must not be used as a drop off point for children in the morning prior to 9:10am, unless there has been an arrangement made with Mrs Catherwood or Mrs O'Brien.



If you are interested in joining the PTFA,
please contact the school office on 01752 365250
or email westonmill.desk@discoverymat.co.uk for more information.

We are always looking for more volunteers to support us with events for the children and bring our school community together. Our PTFA usually meet once a month to discuss and plan for school events, but we are grateful of any time that you could spare to support us at school.



Lost Property

We have a wide range of lost property items available in our Office area. Please come and have a look if you have recently lost an item.

Many Thanks.

EAT THEM TO DEFEAT THEM

After half term, EAT THEM TO DEFEAT THEM is back in our school dinner menu. The menu from week commencing 20th February on a Tuesday will be as follows:

Week 1: Tuesday Menu - 6th March 2023



Hasta La Vista Veggies!

The vegetables have been spotted in the deep dark jungles of Central and South America. These fiendish vegetables have disguised themselves inside your favourite chilli dishes such as tacos, fajita, and nachos. Your mission is to find them, eat them to defeat them and then let out our victory cheer "Hasta La Vista Veggies!"

Chilli, any style

Week 2: Tuesday Menu - 13th March 2023




Feel my power!

Hey, you like pasta? We've heard the vegetables have taken over the pasta. Next time you see pasta, search out the vegetables, pick them out, and then defeat them in the only way possible – eat them, eat them, eat them and then let out your victory cry "Feel my power!"

Lasagna or pasta bake

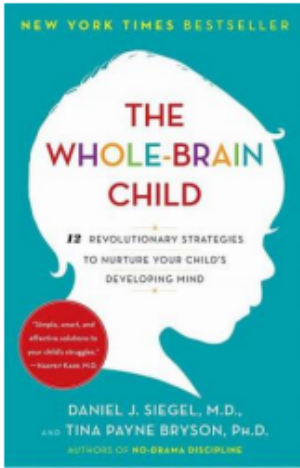
Next week's Tuesday menu choice: 27th February 2023



Dig for Victory!

The carrots have tunnelled their way to the centre of earth. You'll need to break through the earth's crust, dig through the steaming hot lava and find the veggies – then eat them to defeat them. Say "dig for victory" and start your journey.

Cottage pie



Some of the teachers across have been reading this book and are keen to share some of the strategies with you. These are things that we will be using in our classrooms and HUTs but also things that the group have used to support their own children and families at home. If you would like further information or ideas to support your child's behaviour please contact your schools Family Support Worker.

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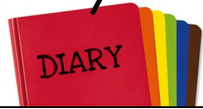
STRATEGY #2 INSTEAD OF DISMISS AND DENY...



...TRY NAME IT TO TAME IT



Dates for your



February

20th February - NPD - School Closed to all pupils

23rd February - Canberra Class Parent Reading Session @ 2:15pm

28th February - Cape Town Celebration of Learning @ 2:15pm

March

3rd March - World Book Day

7th March - Mombasa Celebration of Learning @ 2:15pm (New date)

9th March - Oslo Class Assembly @ 2:30pm—postponed until 15/06/23

14th March - Dubai Class Celebration of Learning @ 2:15pm

23rd March - Nairobi Class Assembly @ 2:30pm

28th March - Canberra Celebration of Learning @ 2:15pm

31st March - Reports sent home

31st March - Spring Term ends

April

17th April - Start of Summer Term



TOYS IN SCHOOL

There has been an increase in children bringing toys to school over the last few weeks, including Pokemon cards. Please ensure your child is not bringing toys into school unless a prior arrangement has been made with the school INCO Mrs O'Brien, to support SEND needs or for a class event.



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latest news, dates and letters.**



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