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### DATES

#### March

- Thur 7th**—World Book Day - See update on page 2  
**Mon 11th**—Some pupils attending a workshop at Chester University  
**Wed 20th**—Reception & Y6 Parents and Carers Evening. Night 1  
**Thurs 21st**—Y4 visiting London (Mrs Broom, Mr David and Mrs Downey)  
 Reception & Y6 Parents and Carers Evening. Night 2  
**Fri 22nd**—SNAP TRAP performance for Y5 & 6 about keeping safe online  
**Thurs 28th**—Last day of the Spring term

#### April

- Tue 2nd - Fri 5th**—Easter Holiday Club  
**Mon 15th**—First day of the Summer term

#### May

- Wk beginning 13th May**—Year 6 SATs week  
**Thurs 23rd**—Class photos  
**Fri 24th**—Break up for half term

#### Residential Payment Deadlines

- Monday 20th May —Y6 Min-y-Don Payment deadline  
 Monday 6th June —Y2 & Y3 Tattenhall Payment deadline

We are now taking bookings for our Summer Club and Easter Club.  
 Bookings can be made via School Spider

## Bonus Ball Lottery

### Results the last few weeks

14/02/2024	24ROLLOVER	
17/02/2024	43Sally Janes	£50
21/02/2024	55David Edgar	£25
24/02/2024	28Leanne Wilson	£25
28/02/2024	51Petrena Prince	£25

## New Chair of Governors for The Acorns and Whitley

Hello everyone, I'm Gareth Blunden and I have been selected as the new Chair of Governors for The Acorns and Whitley following the retirement of Kevin Unsworth, who many of you would have met over the years. At home, I am the Parent of a Whitley child, with my second due to start in a couple of years.

I feel honoured to hold this position for a pair of amazing schools and feel lucky that our communities are so good at supporting each other, the schools and most importantly the children.

If anyone has any queries about what we do, please get in touch or speak to our fantastic Parent Governor at Whitley; [Nont](#) lamkampaeng.

We're looking to expand the Governing Body with more Governors, to help bring support and appropriate challenge, helping our schools to be the best they can be. You don't need to have experience or knowledge of education to be a Governor, and training is supplied, where needed. The schools benefit from the input and professional skills new people bring to the role. I've found the experience personally rewarding as I have used my skills to help others but have also developed new skills through the role, that have then helped me professionally. If this sounds like something you might be interested in, then please get in touch with me or Mrs Broom to talk through the role in detail.

Gareth

(This is me – please feel free to say hello if you see me at school)

## Use of the Fisherman's Carpark

Please be reminded that the car park is for drop-offs and pick-ups only. The gate will be locked by 9.15 am at the latest. Let's respect Lymm Angling Club's generosity by not inconveniencing their members. For walking meet-ups, please utilise the Village Hall car park so that your car does not become locked in. Thank you.



# World Book Day Update

WORLD  
**BOOK  
DAY**  
7 MARCH 2024

Thursday 7th March 2024

'Get cosy with a book!'

Dear Parents/Carers,

This year, for World Book Day, we are going to get cosy with a book! The children are invited to come to school wearing their cosy clothes, ready to enjoy a day of reading fun. We are aware that some children want to wear costumes on this day. If your child wants to wear a costume they can, however; we know that lots of our children prefer not to dress up and would prefer to wear their own cosy clothing so please do not feel compelled to buy anything just for one day. Our main focus is about enjoying some good books. The children are also welcome to bring their slippers to school (outdoor footwear will still be needed for playtimes), to wear during the day for that extra feeling of cosiness!

A day of reading fun!

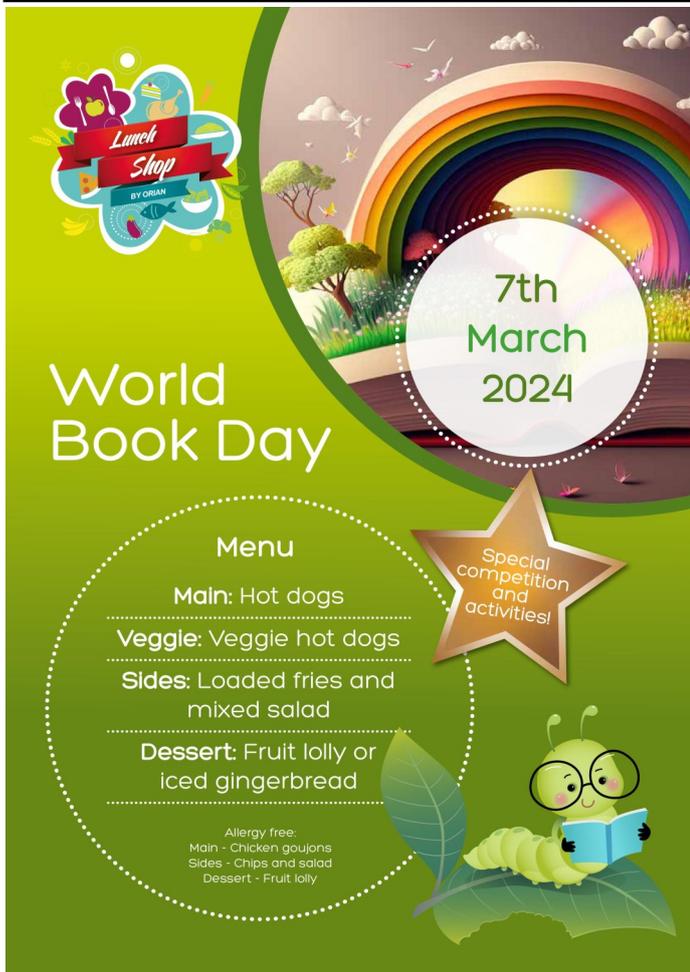
During the day in school, the children will participate in lots of different fun reading activities!

To begin the day, we will have a reading assembly, where the children will be able to listen to some extracts of the teachers' favourite books. We will then do some buddy reading, where the children will partner up with a child from a different class and share a book. They are welcome to bring in a book from home to do this with.

As last year's book swap was such a success, during the day, we will again run a book swap for all children. Children should bring a book from home they wish to swap. If you have any old books that you would like to contribute to the book swap, please hand them to your child's class teacher.

The remainder of the day will include lots of fun reading activities to help continue to promote our school's love of reading. There might be some special treats and surprises throughout the day too!

Kind regards,



**Lunch Shop**  
BY ORIAN

**World Book Day**

7th  
March  
2024

Special competition and activities!

**Menu**

**Main:** Hot dogs

**Veggie:** Veggie hot dogs

**Sides:** Loaded fries and mixed salad

**Dessert:** Fruit lolly or iced gingerbread

Allergy free:  
Main - Chicken goujons  
Sides - Chips and salad  
Dessert - Fruit lolly

## Free Maths App



### What's the app about?

This first version of the app is aimed at Key Stage 1 pupils (ie, age 5-6 years). Individual one-minute tasks focus on adding and subtracting – and on 'Subitising', the skill of instantly recognising the number of items in a group without counting. Multiplication and division topics are also now available!

### How to get this free app.

<https://whiteroseeducation.com/1-minute-maths#download>

Ask me a question about what I have learnt this week!

**Reception**

How can you make 3?

**Year 1**

Tell me the story, 'My world, your world.'

**Year 2**

Tell me the story, The Hueys - The New Jumper.

**Year 3**

What is an asylum seeker?

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**Year 4 (Miss B)**

What are the five pillars of Islam?

**Year 5**

What do you know about the life cycle of a salamander?

**Year 6**

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At Whitley Village Primary School, we endeavour to inspire our pupils to aim high in life and to achieve their goals.

But how do they know what their options could be?

To help expand their minds and consider the never-ending opportunities that could be available to them, we would like members of our local community, especially parents, to come and share their experiences about the careers and jobs they do.

Do you have a job or career that may inspire our pupils?

If so...



Please pop in to see Mr David or Mrs Broom or email:  
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We would love to welcome you into school to be part of  
[#TeamWhitley](#) and [#InspireYoungMinds](#)