Dear Parent/Guardian,

Message from the Head of School:

Parents' evening is taking place next week and I hope to see many of you. For most of the school parents' evening is on Wednesday 28th February. For Sparrow, Woodpecker and Wagtail classes, it is on Thursday 29th February. Please do book a time. Following feedback from parents, we have increased the length of each appointment from ten minutes to fifteen minutes.

For the first time, we will be having an art exhibition on the same evening as parents' evening. All classes have participated in a "Take One Picture" art project, on the theme of "Through the Door or Window". The children's art work will be displayed in the main hall. Do make sure you come and have a look.

If you are unable to make parents' evening in person, do let the school office know so that a virtual appointment on Microsoft Teams can be arranged.

Marianne

Class Update:

In Sparrow's movement session the children have been exploring and making marks using different media.













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Pupil Update:

Darcey (Robin class), Ava (Raven class) and Chester (Owl class) competed at the Copper Box Arena in Stratford, London, last Saturday as part of a special cheerleading team.

Aylesbury Cheerleading Academy (ACA) are a local cheerleading club that set up a Cheerleadables team (SEN) around 18 months ago. The team is called ACA Team Limitless.

There are around 10 children who attend with a variety of SEN needs who are all currently primary school age. The team is run by coach Molly and the children are supported by cheer buddies who are wonderful girls from the cheerleading academy and do this in their free time.

Team Limitless was entered into their first competition performance on Saturday. They were absolutely fantastic and totally smashed it!! The competition was 'Legacy Cheer & Dance'





Huge congratulations to the three children from Booker Park, we are all very proud of you!

End of Day Collection Times:





A reminder to all parents/guardians to PLEASE DO NOT arrive at the school before 2:45pm each day to collect your child (unless there is a prior agreed arrangement in place for an earlier collection.) This is the time the gates open and up to this time it is essential that we minimise the vehicles on site and keep the gates closed to ensure the safety and security for all staff and children - PLEASE HELP US TO KEEP THE SCHOOL SAFE!

The Facilities and Estates Team will be managing site access and will turn away those vehicles that arrive before 2:45pm

Family Support Worker Update:

We are holding a First Aid course on Wednesday 22nd May at Booker Park School. The session will be from 9.30am until 12:30pm. Please register your interest at: knicholson@thevalefederation.com

A polite reminder to all parents, it is your responsibility to let school know if for any reason your child is going to be absent. This should be before the start of the school day. Many thanks for your ongoing support in improving attendance.

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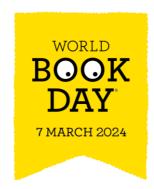


Signs of the Week:









Parents and Carers, it is World Book Day on Thursday 7th March 2024.

The theme is: Pupil Voice, Pupil Choice

Your child is very welcome to dress up as their favourite book character or book. This could be with special, clothes a hat, a costume or a mask. If your child would find it a challenge to cope with dressing up; they are welcome to come to school in their school uniform as usual.

There will lots of opportunities for children to make choices about books across the day. There will be a Masked Reader activity for the children to try and guess the hidden identities of Booker Park staff and pupils sharing their favourite books.

We look forward to sharing this day with your children. As last year, most classes will purchase a book for your child, using the £1 World Book Day voucher. These books will be used in a range of activities with the children during World Book Day. If the class staff feel that there is not a suitable £1 book, the class teacher will send home the voucher for you to make your own choice with your child.

Here is a link to a range of World Book Activities for families: Families - World Book Day

This year you can enjoy our selection of FREE audiobooks. Audiobooks are a brilliant way of enjoying books being read aloud, whether you're sharing them with family or friends, or listening on your own.

You can find audiobooks with our official audio partner, our friends at Yoto, via the Yoto App.

You can also find more audiobooks at Bolinda Library, Borrow Box, and Naxos Audiobooks.

We hope you and your families have a wonderful World Book Day, 2024.

Rachael and Marianne

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Spring 2024 Theme: Trust and Respect	
Wednesday 28 th February	Parents Evening
Thursday 29 th February	Parents Evening (Sparrow, Woodpecker and Wagtail classes only)
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day
Friday 15 th March	Comic Relief Dance Festival
Thursday 28 th March	Makachat Café at Stocklake Park School
Thursday 28 th March	Last day of term
Easter Holidays 29 th March – 12 th April	



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Have a great weekend.

Bradley Taylor Principal



Booker Park School Stoke Leys Close, Aylesbury Buckinghamshire, HP21 9ET

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- you rent the property through a private rental agreement, or own and live in the property
- your household has an income of £30,000 or less (before tax), is in receipt
 of means tested benefits such as Universal Credit and Council Tax Support,
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- the domestic property you live in has an energy performance certificate (EPC) rating of D, E, F or G, or does not legally require an EPC



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