

## WEEKLY 'HEAD'-LINES

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Dear Parents and Carers,

At the very end of last week, Skylark Class had a great day out at Ellesmere Port Boat Museum. They learnt all about how canals were created, why they are located where they are, and how this enabled businesses to thrive in certain areas. They were brilliantly behaved throughout the day. Thanks to Mrs Harrington for helping us out on the trip – it was great to have an extra pair of hands.

This week, we started the week with a Kingfisher Class Community Lunch, and yesterday we had a super day celebrating World Book Day. Thanks to everyone who made a big effort with costumes – it does help to get everyone in the spirit of the day! We enjoyed a visit from an author and illustrator, took part in the 'Big Book-Off Challenge', started the 'Share a Million Stories' book competition and had chance to choose a free book at the end of the day. All lots of fun! In the afternoon, some of our Year 3 and 4 children took part in a cricket festival at The Oswestry School. This was something new for many of the children taking part, and a great afternoon was had by all. Well done to these children for their super attitude.

Next week, we have our science afternoon, Robin Class trip and athlete visit to look forward to!

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Headteacher

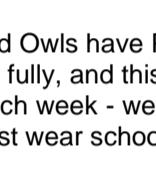


## REMINDERS & NOTICES

### Forest School

The next class to take part will be Kingfisher Class, and they will require their forest school kit on the following dates:

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March  
Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April

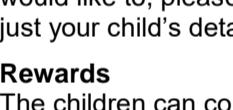


Owl Class will have their forest school sessions in June and July.

### PE Kit Reminder

Skylarks, Kingfishers and Owls have PE every Tuesday. Robins have PE on Fridays. Every child **MUST** have a PE kit to enable them to take part fully, and this is a compulsory part of the curriculum which they must take part in. Please ensure your child brings a kit each week - we do not have enough spare for all of the children who are forgetting their kit. At all other times, children must wear school shoes, not trainers.

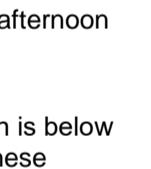
## WORSHIP



Our theme for this next half term will be Easter. Next week, we will be focusing on 'Jesus and the Last Supper' (Mark 14.17-25). If your child(ren) would like to prepare a prayer or something to share during worship linked to this theme, they would be very welcome.

### Class Dojo Update

As many of you know, we use a system called 'Class Dojo' to reward children for good behaviour. This could be for helping others, making a big effort with their work, making good progress, improving in reading, demonstrating Christian values or contributing to worship, for example. Each time your child is rewarded, a 'dojo' is added to their account along with the reason they were given the reward.



Many of you have access to your child's dojo account through the 'Class Dojo' app. If you do not have access to this and would like to, please let the school office know. They will be able to provide you with a unique code so that you can access just your child's details.

### Rewards

The children can collect their dojo points and use them to purchase prizes. The 'Dojo Shop' opens at the end of each half term, and children with at least 100 points can spend their dojos on a 100-point prize. They might choose to save their points so that when they reach 200 points, they can purchase a prize and a voucher for extra playtime or free time on the iPads. Some children are saving to reach 300 points! Children who reach this stage will be treated to a reward afternoon later in the year, where they can enjoy a film, snacks, games, arts and crafts and sports activities.

### Sanctions

Currently, we operate a system where children's names are moved down on the class chart for behaviour which is below the expected standard. From next week, we will introduce the removal of dojo points for children who receive these sanctions. If a child's name is moved down to yellow (for things such as minor disruption in the classroom, not completing work or not following instructions) they will lose 1 dojo point. For more serious behaviour, where names are moved down to red (for things such as repeated disruption of learning or hurting another child), 5 dojo points will be removed. You will be able to see this information if you are connected to your child's 'Class Dojo' account.

### Messaging Feature

It is possible to send messages to your child's class teacher via 'Class Dojo' we have not used this feature previously but would like to trial it for the rest of this half term. There are just some guidelines to consider when using this feature: teachers are teaching for most of the day so will not pick up messages quickly or respond to them immediately. Urgent messages should still be passed via the office. Teachers will also only access messages when 'Class Dojo' is open during the day. It should not be used to contact teachers in the evening or at weekends, and messages at these times will not receive a response. Any serious issues which you need to raise should still be dealt with by an email to Mrs Sadler or by making an appointment to see Mrs Sadler or the class teacher.

### Class Story

As well as seeing your child's dojo points on their 'Class Dojo' account, you will also be able to see the 'Class Story' for your child's class. From next week, at least once each week your child's teacher will post an update on the class story so that you can see what the class has been getting up to!



## CELEBRATION

### Happy Birthday to:

Daisy, Connor (in Robin Class), Mrs Hilditch and Mrs Tinsley who all celebrate their birthdays this week.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

[Click here](#) to view our upcoming events.

Events at a glance:

- Whole-school Science Experiment, 9<sup>th</sup> March.
- Robin Class Trip, 10<sup>th</sup> March.
- International Women's Day: Year 6 Visit to Oakmeadow, 19<sup>th</sup> March.
- Clive Cross Country, 28<sup>th</sup> March.
- Easter Church Service, 31<sup>st</sup> March at 2:15pm.
- Shropshire Schools Half Marathon, 4<sup>th</sup> April.

[Click here](#) to view our term dates.



## AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to this week's Headteacher Award winners, who are:

**Robin Class:** Lexi-Mai, Olly and Ella-May.

**Skylark Class:** Seth, Dorothy, Mia S and Finley.

**Kingfisher Class:** Amelia, Lottie, Emilia, Gabrielle and Bertie.

**Owl Class:** Daisy, Zak and Brendon.



## NEWS

[Click here](#) to view what our pupils have been up to recently.

A few highlights include:

• Equestrian success for Emilia.

• Nursery explore the concept of kindness.

• Trip to the National Waterways Museum.



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