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Newsletter – March 2016

Dear Parents/Carers,

Green Team Winners

Last half term the team with the highest amount of stars was Green Team – all their hard work paid off! They were rewarded with a non-uniform day on the last day of term. Looking at the star board we can see that Red Team are doing very well but there is still time for Yellow, Blue and Green to catch up! Good luck to everyone.

Easter Lunch for Parents/Carers

A letter will be coming out shortly about Easter lunch where parents/carers will be invited in to join their child (ren) in school. Infant lunch will be on Tuesday 22nd March and older siblings are invited in for this too. Junior pupils will have their lunch on Wednesday 23rd March. We hope you can come along.

Value of the Month

Mrs Martindale has put information on our school website www.bournmoor.durham.sch.uk all about our 'Value of the Month' initiative so you can see when each value will be covered throughout the year. She has also added lots of photographs to show how hard pupils work when they are in school so we hope you get a chance to look at our gallery.

Pirate Day

Reception pupils had a great day recently when they dressed up as pirates. Everyone (including the staff) got into the swing of it and had fun doing songs and activities. They went outside and acted as pirates completing a treasure hunt.

Easter Egg Competition

It is time to start thinking about designs for Easter Egg competition entries. Each pupil can enter an imaginative design (maximum A4 size please) that they have made. There is a prize for the winner in each year group. Entries need to be in from Monday 21st March as it will be judged on the morning of Wednesday 23rd March. Good luck!

Parents' Evenings

Just a reminder that Monday 7th March and Tuesday 8th March are the dates for Parents' Evenings. If you would like to arrange an appointment you can telephone the school office or speak to the class teacher directly.

Year 1 Assembly

Just a reminder that Year 1 Class Assembly is next week on Thursday 10th March.
Parents/carers of Year 1 children are very welcome to come along for 9am.

World Book Day



World Book Day has been very colourful and full of amazing costumes. The day began with a whole school assembly and then children got into their teams ready to complete a carousel of activities. During the day Year 5 and 6 got a chance to teach younger pupils which allowed them to share their love of reading. In addition to this the whole school got involved in a read-a-thon to promote reading for pleasure. Each child got their World Book Day token to swap for a free book, details of which can be found on www.worldbookday.com.

National Science Week



National Science Week takes place March 11th to the 18th this year. To celebrate, in school we are having a 'Brilliant Biology' Science week. Pupils will be taking part in a range of activities linking science and food together, such as a science and food cooking workshop and investigations with a food theme. A large part of the week will be spent preparing the garden area so we can grow our own herbs, fruit and vegetables which once harvested, will be used to make a variety of food.

Planter Competition



To launch our new garden area, we are holding a gardening competition. We will be giving a prize to the family who brings in the most unusual planter! This could be as simple as an old colander adapted to be a hanging basket, an old pair of wellies with drainage holes drilled in or any other 'creative' container that will be suitable for plants to grow in. You can choose to decorate them or leave them as they are – it's up to you! More information is contained in the letter sent by Mrs Parks, Science Co-ordinator.

School Nutrition Action Group Meeting



Our SNAG team will be meeting on Thursday 10th March with Mrs Slavin from Taylor Shaw to discuss all matters relating to lunches in school. We value the input from this democratically voted group as it allows children to share their ideas on how to improve what we offer in school to our pupils.

PLEASE NOTE Staff Training Day is Friday 11th March when school is closed for teaching purposes.

Easter holidays: school closes at 3.15pm on Thursday 24th March and re-opens 9am on Monday 11th April. We hope you have a very happy Easter holiday.

Yours sincerely Mrs L A Snowdon