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Principal's News

Dear Parents/Carers

We are delighted that the improvements to our playground space have now been completed with the remarking of our playground, which the children have loved exploring! The new playground, trim trail, play equipment and library bus ensure that we are able to offer our pupils a wide range of activities at playtimes to ensure they are engaged and have opportunities for social interaction.



Some of these projects, such as the library bus and the play equipment, have only been possible because of additional support. We were thrilled that the National Lottery Fund awarded us nearly £10,000 towards our outdoor spaces, and our own PTFA also raised £10,000 to support these projects!



The PTFA volunteers give up a large amount of their own time to arrange enjoyable

fundraising events for all of our pupils and families. All the money they raise is given back to the school to improve our provision for the pupils. I was extremely disappointed to hear negative comments were written about their efforts and integrity on a social media platform. I will be writing to all parents in more detail but, in short, our PTFA are a brilliant and friendly group that we are extremely lucky to have. If you would like to join the PTFA please enquire at the school office.

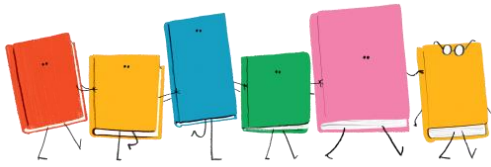
Our new electric school gate will be up and running again this week. Unfortunately it has been out of action due to vandalism.

Last week we had our academy trust review, where senior leaders from across the Aspirations Academy Trust visited the school and observed lessons. We are delighted to confirm that it was a positive review and that our visitors were impressed with the standard of teaching and learning observed and the behaviour of our pupils.

Have a great week and keep warm!

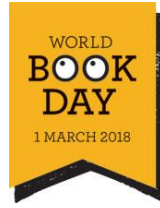
Kind regards
Alex Pearson Executive Principal





Book Fair

Hurray, the Book Fair is back! It runs from Wednesday 28 February – Monday 5 March. Come along to the school hall at 8.20 am - 8.50 am or 3.20 pm - 3.40 pm. Lots of lovely books to buy and you can use your World Book Day Vouchers too.



Robins and Wrens love worms!



We have had a bug-tastic time with our topic of mini-beasts and the great outdoors. We have loved seeing all the fantastic projects made over the holiday and the children are all showing fantastic observation skills and patience as they watch what is happening around them. We took a vote as to whether we thought worms were not yucky or very yucky. We voted that we are a worm friendly group!

Aspirations Day Heroes



This term's theme is Heroes. All classes were encouraged to think about who is their hero and why. Children in year 4 enjoyed a team building day, working together to solve various tasks including: coding, nanotechnology, electricity, magnetism and ergonomics. At the end of the day, the children made posters about their team members who had been their heroes during the activities.



Sound Workshop



Children in year 4 had a brilliant time learning about the different aspects of how sound is made.

Harriers Wolf Runners!

Miss Bradford, Mr Pearson, Mrs Goulding, Mr Simms, Mrs Bradford, Miss Drury, Miss Jones and Mrs Bell will all be taking part in the Wolf Run on the 7th April in order to raise money for Katharine House. We will be participating in some training sessions beforehand to make sure that we are prepared!

Please support us by donating to our [Just Giving page](#) and come and see us getting caked in mud on the day!

Thank You to the NSPCC

The NSPCC delivered assemblies about their campaign "Speak out, stay safe!" and workshops for the older classes. To show our support for the charity, we held a sponsored "Skipathon" to raise money for their important work. We raised over £700 – an amazing amount. Thank you to all who helped and to the NSPCC for helping to keep our children safe online.



High Flyers

Don't forget to look at our '[High Flyers](#)' and [Sense of Accomplishment](#) pages on the website for children and classes that have excelled each week.



Another great way to see what we are doing at Harriers is to follow our [Facebook](#) page.

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Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 28 February – Monday 5 March: Book Fair.

Thursday 1 March: 1LM trip to Toys and Childhood exhibition at Banbury Museum; World Book Day.

Friday 2 March: 1CT/SB trip to Toys and Childhood exhibition at Banbury Museum.

Wednesday 28 March: EYU and Nursery, Broughton Grounds Farm.

Monday 26 March: INSET day (no children in school).

Thursday 29 March: Last day of Term 4.

Friday 30 March – Friday 13 April: Holiday.