



SAUNCEY WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL



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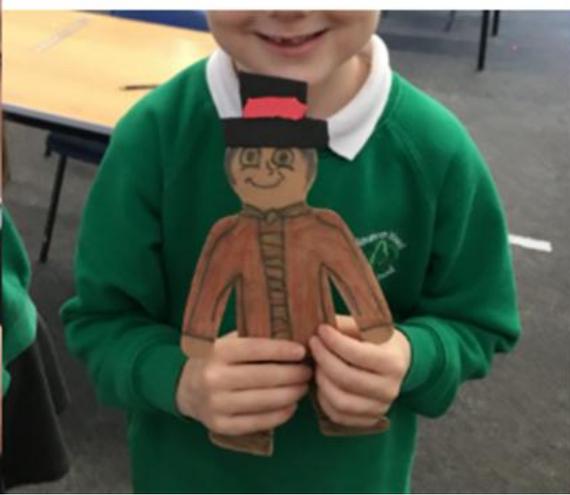
Dear Parents and Carers

This week at Sauncey Wood we have enjoyed a vibrant and engaging Book Week, with children across the school taking part in a wide range of reading and writing activities inspired by books from around the world. Classes explored non-fiction texts about Africa, India, Latin America and the Caribbean, using them as inspiration for their own work. Children produced a variety of outcomes including posters, leaflets, fact files, travel brochures, poems and explorer journals, many of which will soon be displayed around the school.



One of the highlights of the week was Buddy Reading, where older children shared stories with younger classes. Year 6 read with Year 3, Year 5 with Year 2, and Year 4 with Reception and Year 1. It was wonderful to see the enthusiasm for reading shared across the school and the pride older children took in supporting younger readers.

On Thursday, children showed impressive creativity during our Book Character Puppet Competition, designing puppets inspired by characters from stories they love and explaining their choices. They have been showing off their sewing skills; they learnt how to thread a needle, knot it and then stitch their finger puppet together. They then used their designs to complete their finger puppet to a high standard. There will be prizes for the best puppets which will be shared in a special assembly next week when author Lou Treleven will visit the school to lead writing workshops for each class.

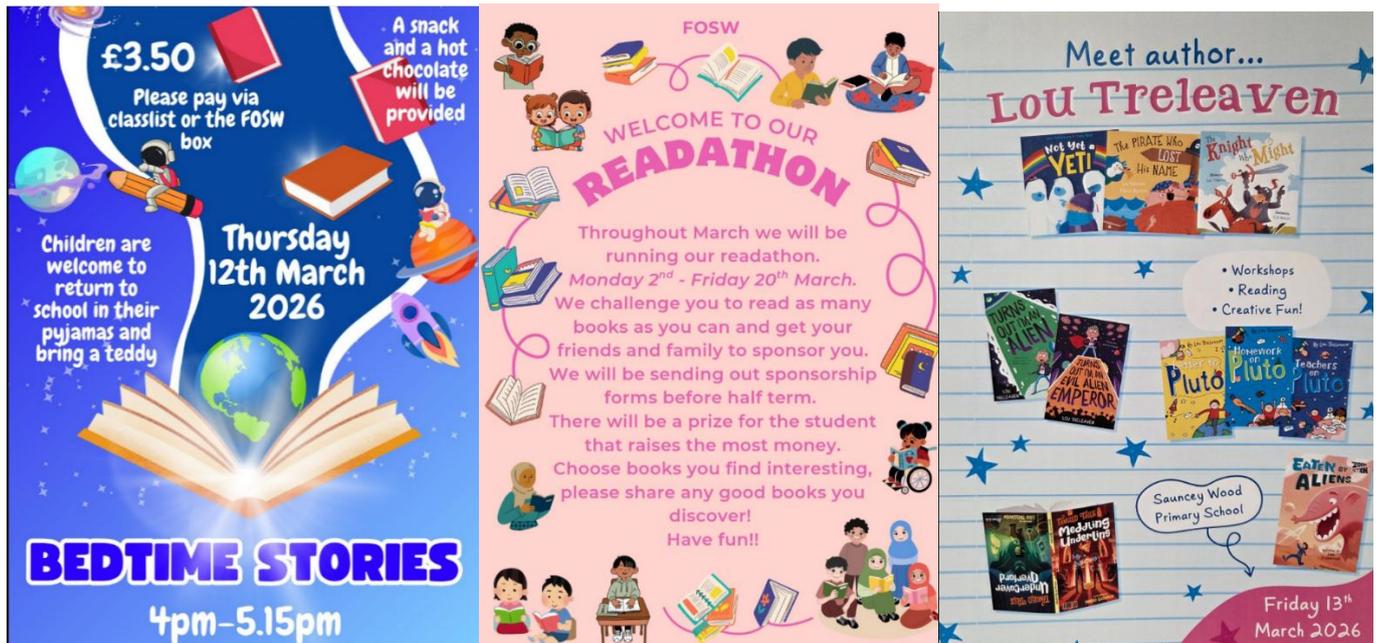


Children and staff dressed up today as their favourite book characters. Everyone made such an effort and we have all had great fun – please keep the momentum going over the weekend and open a book that you love and lose yourself in it.





Our World Book Day celebrations don't end now though! We still have these three fun events to come over the next couple of weeks!



Finally, eight pupils across KS2 have been working hard with Miss Goodridge over the past few weeks on a persuasive letter. These letters have been entered into the Harpenden schools writing competition and we await the results! Mai, Hugo, Cordelia, Abigail, Leo, George, Aliza and Annemiek all worked exceptionally hard and wrote letters across a range of themes, from trying to persuade Henry VIII not to cut off Anne Boleyn's head to encouraging the President of Brazil to protect the Amazon. I have read some of the entries and am so impressed with the quality of the writing – well done to everyone involved!

Have a wonderful weekend all.

Yours sincerely

Mr Brewis
Headteacher

Dates for the diary	
Wednesday, 11 th March	Football Tournament at Wood End School
Thursday 12 th March	Netball Rally at Katherine Warington School
Thursday 12 th March	FoSW Bedtime Stories (4.00pm – 5.15pm)
Friday, 13 th March	Football Match against Manland (Away)
Monday 16 th March	Willow Class Fire Station Trip
Monday, 16 th March	Netball Match against St Nicholas (Home)

Tuesday, 17th March	Year 3 Visit to Natural History Museum, Tring
Tuesday, 17th March	Football Match against Kimpton (Away)
Thursday, 19th March	Mad Science Assembly for STEM Week - Whole School
Thursday, 19th March	School Council tuck shop after school to raise funds for Comic Relief
Monday, 23rd March	Year 5 - Greek Vase Workshop in school
Monday, 23rd March	Netball Match against Markyate (Away)
w/c beginning 23rd March	Extra Curricular Clubs finish
Tuesday, 24th March	Spring Music Festival
Thursday, 26th March	Football Match against St Nicholas (Home)
Friday, 27th March	Finish for the Easter break at 1.30 p.m.
Monday 13th April	Start Summer Term
Tuesday, 14th April	Year 6 Visit to All Saints Church (a.m.)
Tuesday, 14th April	Year 5 Visit to All Saints Church (p.m.)
Wednesday, 15th April	Year 4 Visit to All Saints Church (p.m.)
Monday, 20th April	Year 3 Visit to All Saints Church (a.m.)
Monday, 27th April	Year 3 Visit to Cambridge Botanic Gardens
Tuesday, 5th May	Year 5 Visit to Knebworth House
Tuesday, 5th May	Information Meeting for Parents/Carers for Isle of Wight Visit (time TBC)
Wednesday, 6th May	Year 4 Visit to The Higgins Bedford
Friday, 15th May	Year 6 Visit to Warner Bros Studio "Harry Potter"
Tuesday, 19th May	Information Meeting for Parents/Carers Phasels Wood Visit (time TBC)
Monday 25th - Friday 29th May	Half Term
Monday, 8th June - Tuesday, 9th June	Year 4 Overnight Residential at Phasels Wood
Tuesday, 9th June	Year 2 Visit to the St Albans Islamic Centre
15th June - 25th June	Year 2 Swimming at Hatfield Swim Centre
Friday, 26th June	INSET Day
Thursday, 16th July	Year 6 End of Year Celebration at Roller City, Campus West



We have a school Amazon wish list [Sauncey Wood Amazon Wishlist](#) and we would be most grateful if you are able to purchase something from the list for the school - this gift would be most appreciated.

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