



Year 2 KG Class Assembly Traditional Tales



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Warwickshire

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Congratulations to Y2 KG who presented a lovely assembly this Tuesday on the theme of traditional tales. The children have clearly learnt a huge range of tales such as Little Red Riding Hood, The Three Billy Goats Gruff and The Gingerbread Man.

These stories are key building blocks in a child's Literacy development, teaching an understanding of language, characterisation, setting and story structure. They play a major role in enabling children to become enthusiastic readers and confident writers in the future.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who were able to attend the assembly. We hope you enjoyed the presentation and the lovely song the children sang in praise of reading books!



We love listening to stories!

UN Convention on the Rights of the Child:
Article 29 (Goals of Education.)



Y3 Homelearning



Here are a few of Year Three's amazing Stone Age models, created for homelearning. Well done for including historically accurate details such as cave paintings!

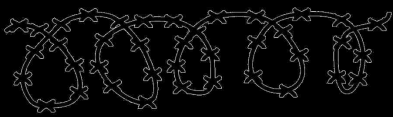
Ganesh Chaturthi



Some of our families celebrated Ganesh Chaturthi last week to commemorate the birth of the elephant god, Ganesh. Two of our pupils, Arni and Saanvi, were part of a special celebration in Leamington's mandir involving dancing, music, acting and spectacular costumes (as you can see from the photograph above.)

The festival begins with the installation of huge elaborately crafted statues of Ganesha in homes and on podiums, which have been especially constructed and beautifully decorated. Artisans put months of effort into making the statues. It's forbidden to look at the moon on this first night as legend had it the moon laughed at Lord Ganesha when he fell from his vehicle, the rat. In India, on Ananta Chaturdasi (the last day), the statues are paraded through the streets, accompanied by much singing and dancing, and then immersed in the ocean or other bodies of water. In Mumbai alone, over 150,00 statues are immersed each year!





Y5 Writing



We were so impressed with James' writing that we wanted to share it with you. James has written in role as a soldier serving in the First World War and suffering the hardship of life in the trenches. As you can see, James' writing really captures the horror of this conflict:

7th December 1914

Feeling so tired today. Me and a few of the lads have been digging trenches all day. Twelve feet deep we had to go! Entrenching they call it. Not easy with the rain down your neck all the time. Had to dig in a zig zag pattern. Don't know why. All the time we could hear enemy fire above our heads. Then we had to put sandbags up the walls and barbed wire along the top. Lastly we laid wooden duckboards at the bottom. Just hope they keep our feet above water. This rain keeps coming down.

8th December 1914

After yesterday's hard work I was glad to just be cleaning my weapons today. We've all got a bayonet, a rifle and a hand grenade. My mate, Billy, was moving supplies all day so no rest for him. Some of the lads had to go and repair one of the trench walls. The rain and heavy enemy fire had made it fall in last night. Frank is sporing next to me. He's been on guard duty. Good job you only do two hours at a time. We'd all nod off if it was any longer. Still raining.

9th December 1914

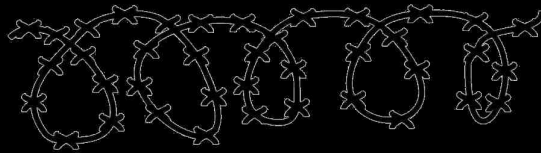
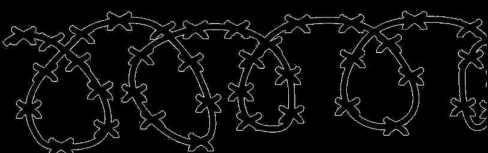
The rain has filled the trench with water and we're ankle deep in it. Lots of the lads, including me, are itching like mad because of the lice. There's rats and frogs everywhere. Some of the rats are huge! Never seen them so big. Spiders too, crawling up the walls. I looked out, through the rain, over No Man's Land today. All I could see was barbed wire and nothing else. Strange to think about 250 yards away are the German soldiers in their trenches. Do they feel like us? Exhausted, weak and homesick. Still raining and very cold.

10th December 1914

The smell in the trench was awful today. We don't always get time for a proper wash. Doesn't help when the sandbags are rotting away. The rats are really smelly creatures too. Billy woke up to one of them nibbling away at his foot! His foot's not looking good either. It's been bitterly cold today too. Couldn't get warm at all. My fingers felt it the most. Need to keep an eye on them in case I get frostbite. Still raining.

11th December 1914

Some of the lads have trench fever from the lice. Hope I don't get it. It doesn't look nice. Billy's foot has gone bad ways and they've carted him off for medical treatment. He had a very rough night. Praying it doesn't mean amputation. The gun fire was really bad last night. None of us got any sleep. The rain is still coming down and the lads are looking so miserable. Sometimes I dream I'm home with the family, all warm and cosy instead of here, freezing cold, wet through and desperate. Hope everything's over soon. It seems so far away. They said it would all be over by Christmas, which is only two weeks away. Let's hope they're right, but if they're not, it's going to be a long very long time.



Sydenham Primary PTA



Annual General Meeting

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Stay informed and get involved.

The AGM is an opportunity to elect this year's committee, find out how you can join or support us, have your say on what events we hold this year and how the money raised is spent.

Come along to find out what we do and why we do it!

Date & Time: Wednesday 24th October at 6pm

Location: School Staff Room



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**OCTOBER HALF TERM
HOLIDAYS
2018**

MON 29th
OCT 2018

to

FRI 2nd
NOV 2018

**NEW MULTI-SPORTS COURSE
COMING TO RUGBY!**

October Half-Term, Monday to
Friday, at Lawrence Sheriff School.
Check the website for more details.



CHOOSE FROM...	MULTI-SPORTS			FOOTBALL		DANCE		FOREST SCHOOLS
MONDAY	W	S	Sc	W	S	W	S	
TUESDAY	W	S	Sc	W	S	W	S	FS
WEDNESDAY	W	S	Sc	W	S	W	S	FS
THURSDAY	W	S	Sc	W	S	W	S	FS
FRIDAY	W	S	Sc	W	S	W	S	

**5 DAYS
for £55**

*All prices are
per child and
valid during the
same week.*

Venues: PLEASE NOTE: Our Southam course runs 9.30am – 2.30pm on a Friday

Courses run
9.30am – 3.30pm

W WARWICK

Aylesford School,
Tapping Way,
Warwick
CV34 6XR

S STRATFORD

Stratford-upon-Avon
School, Alcester Road,
Stratford-upon-Avon
CV37 9DH

Sc SOUTHAM

Southam College,
Webb Road West,
Southam
CV47 0JW

FS LEEK WOOTTON

The Warwickshire,
Leek Wootton,
Warwick
CV35 7QT

Wraparound Care

Early Drop off from 8.30am
£3 per Session
Late Pick up until 5.00pm
£3 per Session

VENUE EARLY LATE

WARWICK	✓	✓
STRATFORD	✓	✓
SOUTHAM	✓	–



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FANGTASTIC HOLIDAY CHILDCARE THIS OCTOBER HALF TERM



Choose from **4 FUN ACTIVITIES**

Multi-Sports

A fun mix of sports and games, including:
Handball, Hockey, Tag & Tail Games, Cricket, Rounders, Netball...and much more!
Plus, the final day each week is our Mini-Olympics with a medal ceremony.



LAST CHANCE FOR FOREST SCHOOLS

before it goes into hibernation!
(Back in the spring!)



Football

After enjoying a range of skill drills in the morning, children can look forward to small sided games and tournaments at the end of the day. The final day each week is World Cup Day with a medal ceremony.



Our Prices

9.30am
to 3.30pm

1 DAY £13

2 DAY £26

3 DAY £39

4 DAY £48

5 DAY £55

Full Wrap Around Prices

8.30am
to 5.00pm

1 DAY £19

2 DAY £38

3 DAY £57

4 DAY £72

5 DAY £85

Forest Schools

9.30am
to
3.30pm

1 DAY £20

2 DAYS £38

3 DAYS £54

7-13
years

Dance

Children have the chance to learn especially choreographed routines, including popular songs from musicals, pop stars and films.

Every Thursday there will be a special dance performance to showcase all the children's hard work.



Forest Schools

Courses are run by our Forest Schools Practitioners

Children can enjoy a range of outdoor games and challenges each day. Plus, every afternoon the children will experience a different bushcraft skill:

Tuesday: Shelter building

Wednesday: Orienteering

Thursday: Campfire lighting and marshmallow toasting.



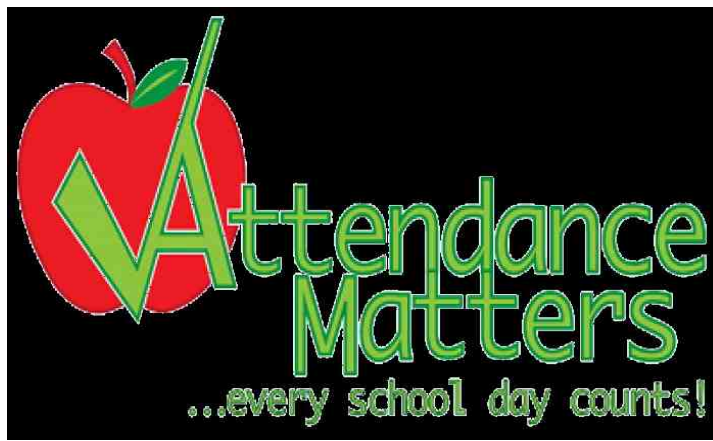
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Well done to Y1 JL and who had the highest attendance at school this week with a brilliant 100%

Attendance for other classes this week was as follows:

Y6 KC	99%
Y6 JB	99%
Y5 JvS	99%
Y4 KJ	99%
Y2 KG	99%
YR RK	99%
Y3 JM	98%
Y5 CB	97%
YR AH	97%
Y2 AP	96%
Y4 CD	98%
Y1 EL	95%
Y3 AH	94%

Please note that our school attendance target is 97%.

The minimum acceptable attendance, as stipulated by Warwickshire Local Authority, is 95%. Low attendance results in poorer educational progress and attainment.



UN Convention on the Rights of the Child: Article 3 (Best Interests of the Child.)

Y2 AP Assembly

Now that we have had confirmation of when The Royal Shakespeare Company are visiting school to perform "A Comedy of Errors," we are able to confirm the date of the Y2 AP class assembly as being **Wednesday 17th October 2018 at 10.15am**. All Y2 AP parents/carers are warmly invited along to the school hall to watch the performance. We hope to see you there.

Y1 JL Reading River

Please remember to attend the Y1 JL Reading River next week (9.15—9.45am on Tuesday 2nd October 2018.) Please drop your child off at the classroom door in the morning using the usual procedures and meet outside the office. From here, you will be escorted to the hall where your child will meet you. There will be lots of stories to listen to, read by different members of staff.

Y2 Author Visit

Next Wednesday (3rd October 2018) a children's author called Alina Crisan is visiting Year Two to share one of her books and talk about the job of the writer. Your child should have brought home a leaflet about this today—please check in their book bag.

YR Parent's Evening

Please remember to return your Parent's Evening slip by next Friday (5th October 2018) so that Miss Knight and Mrs Harrad can allocate appointment times. You will be notified of your individual appointment on the following Friday (12th October 2018.)

Passports and Visas

The office is receiving an increasing number of requests for help with visa applications. Whilst we are happy to provide the necessary letters, this is very time consuming for our administrative staff. With this in mind, we will be asking for a contribution of £5.00 towards school fund for any future requests. Please note that we will continue to charge £5.00 for passport applications. Thank you in anticipation of your understanding.

Autumn Term Diary Dates

Please note that diary dates are correct at the time of publication but they are subject to change, sometimes at short notice, due to matters beyond our control.

Tuesday 2nd October 2018

Y1 JL Reading River at 9.15am in the hall—Y1 JL parents and carers welcome.

Tuesday 2nd October 2018

Artist, Ros Ingram, working with Y4.

Week beginning Monday 8th
October 2018

Shakespeare Week—"A Comedy of Errors."

Tuesday 9th October 2018

York Waits concert for KS2 pupils (Renaissance music.)

Tuesday October 9th 2018

Artist, Ros Ingram, working with Y3.

Wednesday 10th September 2018

Y2 visit to The Motor Museum at Gaydon.

Wednesday 10th October 2018

Y6 JB class assembly at 9.15am in the hall (change of date due to the York Waits concert.)

Wednesday 17th October 2018

Y2 AP class assembly at 10.15am in the hall.

Monday 22nd October 2018

Y2 KG Reading Cafe at 2.45pm in the small hall—Y2 KG parents/carers are invited to attend.

Tuesday 23rd October 2018

Parent's Evening (YR only) from 3.20pm—5.30pm.

Thursday 25th October 2018

Parent's Evening (YR only) from 3.30pm—7.00pm.

Tuesday 23rd October 2018

Y1 EL Reading River at 9.15am in the hall—Y1 EL Parents/carers are invited to attend.

Tuesday 23rd October 2018

Y2 AP Reading Cafe at 2.45pm in the small hall—Y2 AP parents/carers are invited to attend.

Wednesday 24th October 2018

PTA AGM at 6.00pm—all welcome.

Thursday 25th October 2018

Open Morning for prospective Reception parents 2019/20 at 10.00am.

Friday 26th October 2018

MUFTI (non-uniform) Day—children must bring 50p to wear their own clothes.

Half-term holiday from Monday 29th October—Friday 2nd November 2018

Monday 5th November 2018

Children return to school.

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Y6 Warwick District Council visit.

Friday 9th November 2018

Y5 CB perform “The Armed Man” at Warwick Arts’ Centre—more information soon.

Monday 12th November 2018

Y3 JM Reading Cafe at 2.45pm in the small hall –Y3 JM parents/carers are invited to attend.

Tuesday 13th November 2018

Y3 AH Reading Cafe at 2.45pm in the small hall –Y3 AH parents/carers are invited to attend.

Week beginning Monday 19th
November 2018

Language of the Week—Hungarian.

Tuesday 20th November 2018

Open morning for prospective Reception parents 2019/20

Friday 23rd November 2018

School closed for staff training (INSET) - Talk for Writing training, led by Pie Corbett.

Monday 26th November 2018

School closed for staff training (INSET) - Child Protection training, led by Adrian Over.

Wednesday 28th November 2018

Parent’s Evening for Y1—6 from 3.30—7.00pm.

Thursday 29th November 2018

Parent’s Evening for Y1—6 from 3.30—5.30pm.

Monday 3rd December 2018

Christmas Crafternoon for Reception families.

Wednesday 5th December 2018

Y2 Christmas show at 9.30am.

Wednesday 12th December 2018	Y1 Christmas show at 9.30am.
Thursday 13th December 2018	Flu immunisation for pupils in YR—5.
Thursday 13th December 2018	Reception, Y1 and Y2 visit to Warwick Arts' Centre to see "Wilde Creatures" (1.30pm performance.)
Friday 14th December 2018	Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 visit to The Birmingham Repertoty Theatre to see "The Wizard of Oz."
Monday 17th December 2018	Christmas luch and Christmas jumper day.
Tuesday 18th December 2018	KS1 Christmas parties (PM.)
Wednesday 19th December 2018	KS2 Christmas parties (PM.)
Wednesday 19th December 2018	Reception Nativity at 9.30am.
Thursday 19th December 2018	Y3/4 carol concert at 2.15pm
Friday 21st December 2018	Y5/6 carol concert at 9.30am.
Friday 21st December 2018	Break up for the Christmas holiday.

**Christmas holiday from Monday 24th December 2018 to Monday 4th January 2019
(Children return to school on Tuesday 8th January 2019.)**

Please note that school is closed for staff training (INSET) on Monday 7th January— online training on health and safety, forced marriage and honour based violence, female genital mutilation and safeguarding.

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See you all on Monday.

Best wishes from Miss Glenly and Miss Challand