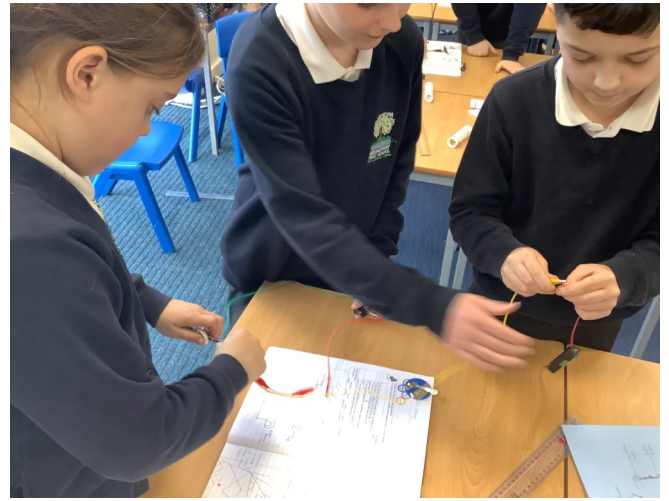


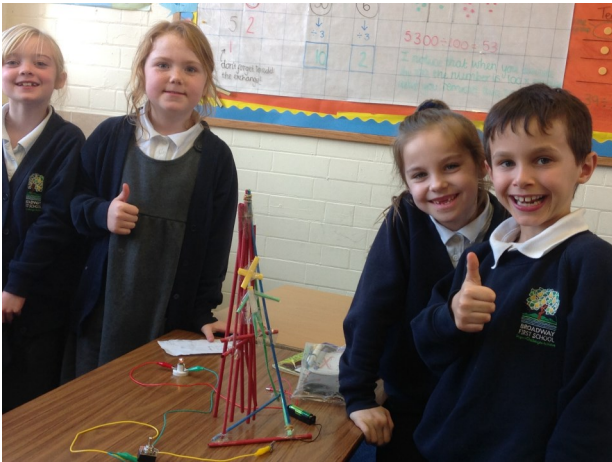
Tigers

In Tiger Class this week, we have been working hard in our topic lessons, learning all about the different climate zones and biomes around the world; we have also used our computing skills to create graphs showing the magnitude of recent earthquakes. In DT, we designed our own earthquake proof buildings and made alarms for these using circuits with tilt switches. In English, we have written our own recounts describing a disastrous cinema trip. We also had lots of fun celebrating Shrove Tuesday (albeit a few days early). Have a well earned half term Tigers!



Pandas

This week, Pandas have finished our topic, Extreme Earth! We had a DT day where we designed our own 'earthquake proof' buildings. We explored existing structures that use shock absorbers and cross-bracing to stop the building from twisting and moving in an earthquake. We used these ideas, to create our own designs. After this, we built an alarm system that we could place in our earthquake proof buildings to notify us when an earthquake is happening. We investigated different types of switches before choosing the most appropriate.



Koalas

Koalas have impressed us this week with all of their hard work. We are very proud of the amazing readers you are all becoming. Year 2s have started to work on multiplication and division, by looking at how to make equal groups - all children have shown brilliant reasoning skills both verbally and in their writing. Year 1s have continued learning numbers to 20 and can now estimate on a number line. Keep up the good work. Have a lovely half term everyone!



Tree Frogs

This week, Tree Frogs have been using comparative language of length and height in Maths. We read 'Titch' and 'Jaspers Beanstalk' and made different sized playdough beanstalks, found objects taller and shorter than us, built towers and roads of different heights and length and ordered items in size. We have enjoyed being creative making cards and books independently. We have also had lots of fun learning about Shrove Tuesday and enjoyed pancake races and choosing toppings to make our own!

Valentine's Disco

On Monday, this week the Friends hosted their first disco since before the pandemic and it was a huge success! The hall looked great with lots of heart themed decorations and some very impressive outfits were worn too!! More events will be taking place soon so watch this space



Thank you to everyone who supported this, it is a great way to raise funds for the school whilst ensuring the children have a good time too!

Inspire Workshops

We will, once again be hosting our Inspire Workshops for all classes, during Spring Term 2. Parents are invited to come in to school to take part in a fun activity with their child—it may be an experiment, a piece of art work or a quiz! Dates are as follows:

Wednesday 1st March	Class 1	9.00 am
Monday 6th March	Class 3	9.00 am
Thursday 9th March	Class 2	9.00 am
Tuesday 14th March	Class 4	9.00 am

We look forward to seeing you then.

Reading and World Book Day

This week's audiobook: 'The Worst Thing About My Sister' - Jacqueline Wilson



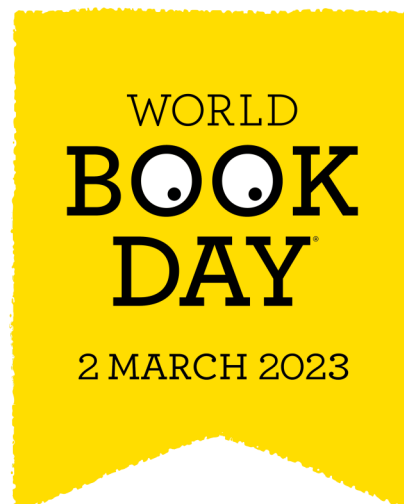
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z->

World Book Day - Thursday 2nd March

Theme: You are a reader!

This year, we are giving pupils a crafty challenge! We would love to see what creations everyone comes up with. We will have prizes on offer for the most creative, interesting ideas! As well as this, we have a day full of fun planned including live streams and a 'book tasting cafe'. If your child would like to dress up as a book character, then we will look forward to seeing their costume but please bear in mind that dressing up is **optional**. Please see below for the details of the craft challenge!

'Decorate an item however you like, as long as it relates to a book. You could choose a paper plate, potato, pebble, wooden spoon, shoe box, lolly stick, paper lantern, pillowcase, t-shirt - the options are endless.'



Comic Relief Day

This year Comic Relief day falls on **Friday 17th March**. Children are invited to come into school in non-uniform, with a fun theme, in exchange for **a minimum of a £1 donation** to go to this brilliant charity. Perhaps they could combine this with St Patrick's Day and go for a green theme!!



Rags 2 Riches

Are you planning on having a Spring clear out over the half term or Easter holidays? If so, please could you save any clothes that are still in reasonable condition for our next Rags2Riches Collection which the Friends are organising in April, after the Easter break. One collection bag per family will be sent out initially and if you think you need any further bags, just ask at the office. Full details regarding this event will be issued after the half term. Unfortunately due to lack of space, we are unable to store bags of clothes in school until the day before the collection—**Tuesday 25th April**. The Friends fund will receive 40p for every kilo donated and all clothes are passed on to those in need. There is a special emphasis this year on Ukraine.

Spare Clothes

If you have a Reception or Preschool child and have borrowed spare clothing from school, it would be really appreciated if you could return it, laundered, as soon as possible as we are running very low. If your child is prone to 'accidents', please send in spare clothes in a named bag to keep in school.

Next week:

Monday 27th February	Eat Them to Defeat Them campaign returns!!
Tuesday 28th February	Table Tennis Club with Ken Baker (Week 7)
Wednesday 1st March	St David's Day 9.00 am Inspire Workshop Class 1 (No Book & Biscuit) Guitar lessons in PM 2.45 pm Timetables meeting for ALL Year 4 Parents in hall Dodgeball for KS1—KO Sports (Week 7)
Thursday 2nd March	World Book Day—see newsletter, page 3 for more details Piano lessons in PM Dodgeball for KS2—KO Sports (Week 7)
Friday 3rd March	n/a