

Whole School News

Nursery 1 - Year 6 Roving Bookshop Monday, 11th March

On Monday 11th March, the Roving Bookshop will be visiting here with a wide range of books available for children of different interests and reading levels. The children from Reception to Year 6 who would like to buy books will be taken by their teacher to visit the Bookshop during the school day. If you would like your child to buy a book on that day, please send in some money in the envelope supplied. We will be sending home the envelopes the day before the shop visits so that it will serve as a useful reminder for you. There is a price guide on the envelope to suggest how much the books cost. The school receives commission from the sale of each book which enables us to purchase some new books for each classroom so it is a very worthwhile venture.

If the parents of children in Nursery 1 and 2 would like to buy books for their children, the books will be available for purchase at the end of the school day until 4.45pm. I know that the Bookshop will be bringing many picture books of universal appeal so I would encourage you to come and have a look. Similarly, if the parents of the older children in the Pre Prep would like to help their children choose the books they wish to purchase, please feel free to take them in when you pick them up in the afternoon.

We will be sending home a leaflet with the children on Monday which will give you some more information about the Roving Bookshop. It also includes a special Prize Draw which your child might like to take part in.

Nursery to Year 6 Non-Uniform Day Thursday, 14th March

On Thursday 14th March we will be celebrating Non-Uniform day in aid of Comic Relief – **please note that this is a change to the published date in the calendar.** Children are welcome to wear home clothes in exchange for a donation.

Open Morning Friday, 15th March

We are looking forward to welcoming prospective families on Friday, 15th March. If you have friends or family who would like to attend please let the Office know.

Blundell's Prep Ball Saturday, 29th June

Our FOBP Committee is busy organising this year's Summer Ball. Please pop this date into your diary and more information to follow soon.

Prep News

Collection after Home Fixtures

Please note that we are only able to release children to parents who have attended the match. After the match the children will return to lessons and will not be available until 4.30 pm. We thank you for your help with this.

Years 3 - 6 Pancake Races Tuesday, 5th March

These are taking place on Tuesday, 5th March at 3.30 pm the Prep playground. All parents of children in Years 3 to 6 are welcome to join us for the races and then afterwards for a cup of tea.

Years 3 - 6 Prep Disco Friday, 8th March

The Prep Disco will take place on Friday 8th March from 5.30 pm – 7.30 pm. Tickets for this event will be on sale from the Office from Monday, 11th February and will cost £5.00. The ticket price will include a light supper and a drink. There will be sweets on sale and we suggest a maximum of £5 as spending money.

Years 3 - 6 Enrichment Meeting Monday, 11th March

As part of our enrichment programme we are inviting children in Years 3 to 6 to join us after school for a Survival Workshop. This will be run by our senior school colleague, Mr Graham Bailly. If your child would like to attend please

could they let their Form Teacher know at registration time on Monday, 11th March. They are able to be excused from their normal club if they wish to join the Workshop.

Choir and Orchestra Members Spring Concert Wednesday, 13th March

As you will be aware our Choir and Orchestra will be performing in the Spring Concert in Big School on Wednesday, 13th March. The children will attend rehearsals in the afternoon and will stay in school until the concert. They will be provided with tea. The Concert starts at 7.00 pm and those wishing to attend will need a ticket. Please click on the link to reserve tickets via the online booking system: <https://www.trybooking.co.uk/6103>. There is no reserved seating as the event is in Big School. The Concert is due to end at approximately 9.00 pm.

Years 1 - 6 Judo Grading Tuesday, 26th March

Judo Grading is due to take place on Tuesday, 26th March at 5.20 pm for the Prep school children. Parents are very welcome to come and watch this in the Prep Hall.

Years 5 and 6 Young Voices DVD

If you would like to order a DVD of the Young Voices Concert please put £9.99 in an envelope with your child's name clearly on it. Please send this into the school office as soon as possible.

Years 5 and 6 Girls' cricket sessions are back!

Following on from the previous three summer terms, the very popular girls' softball cricket sessions are returning. Paul Diamond, who is an experienced county and district coach, will again be running the sessions from **5.30 - 6.30 pm on Thursdays**. The sessions will cover all aspects of cricket with the focus being on preparing for school matches, of which there are several during the summer term. The girls will be collected by Paul from the Prep School and taken to the Senior School. Could parents please collect the girls from the Senior School pavilion at 6.30 pm. Girls will need to wear school PE kit. Paul will provide any equipment that is required. The cost for each session will be £5 and this will be added to the school bill at the end of term. Please contact the school office if your daughter is interested in attending. Paul can be contacted directly on 07980 738802 or pauldiamond124@btinternet.com with any questions.

Pre-Prep News

Year 2 Trip to Exeter Cathedral & Mosque Wednesday, 6th March

Year 2 will be visiting Exeter Cathedral and then Exeter Mosque as part of their RE topic on Places of Worship. The children will leave school at 9.15 am and will travel by coach to Exeter where they will be given a tour of the Cathedral and will participate in brass rubbing and other art activities. The children will be accompanied by their class teachers and teaching assistants. They will have a packed lunch, provided by school, in the Cathedral Education Centre. After lunch the children will then travel the short distance by coach for a tour of Exeter Mosque before returning to school by 2.45 pm. The children will wear school uniform including blazers and it will not be necessary for them to bring any money.

Nursery to Year 2 Pre-Prep Party Friday, 8th March 4.30 pm – 6.00 pm

The Pre-Prep Party with Professor Bumble will be taking place on Friday, 8th March from 4.30 pm – 6.00 pm. Tickets for this event will be on sale from the Office.

Nursery 1 and 2 Café Event Friday, 8th March

Our next Nursery Café Event is coming up on Friday 8th March for parents and children in Nursery 1 and 2. The event begins at 2.15 pm and finishes at 3.40 pm. There will be lots of activities on offer and a Treasure Hunt. This will be followed by a delicious tea in the Nursery Hall. Do come and join us for this special event.

Nursery 2 Parent visit to Reception Thursday, 14th March

We are looking forward to welcoming Nursery 2 Parents to visit our Reception Class on Thursday, 14th March at 8.45 am. You will be able to see what our current Reception children are doing and to ask Mrs Allen any questions that you may have.