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Spring 2016

It is officially Spring and what a wonderful way to welcome in the new season with sunshine and blue skies. Such sunshine can however be deceptive and with temperatures still at around 2-3 degrees in the morning it is still important to ensure children are coming to school suitably attired with a warm, waterproof coat please.

It was wonderful to see so many children (and adults) celebrating **World Book Day** with an array of costumes, many of which had been put together with great creative spirit. In addition we had a visit from the Theatre of Widdershins and also the travelling book fair. Thank you to Mr Turner and Ms Kowalska for organising two great events.

It is a relatively short term but we are also squeezing in a Science Week too which begins 14th March, with chances to be creative in a scientific way.

Nikki Brown

Fine Art Friday



Whispers of our fabulous 'Fine Art Friday' sessions in Early Years have swept across the nation and we were approached by the Head of Fine Art at Leeds University who couldn't resist taking a look for herself. She visited us this morning and we explored Boccioni's Dynamism of a Cyclist, which linked in well with our recent surrealism focus on [Rene Magritte](#) and [Salvador Dali](#). The children loved having her to visit and further fueling their passion for art appreciation. It's not too late to get involved yourself if you have skills and talents to share with Early Years!

Ms Ward

A Tale of Spring



Ruby class were very fortunate to be joined on our beautiful Spring leap day by Maggie Chalfen who came to tell us a story about the transitioning of winter in spring. It was the perfect way to put a close to a magical day full of wonderful puppet theatre and a great start to our book week. Thank you Maggie!

Ms Brehony and Ruby Class

'Class of the Week' this week is Crimson Class

Well done to Crimson class who have demonstrated curiosity and eagerness in researching their new topic of machines, been independent and active in their learning and tried hard to be polite, kind and fair to everyone in their class.

Theatre of Widdershins

Thanks to your contributions, the children kicked off Book Week (literally!) on Monday with a performance of the Elves and the Shoemaker from the Theatre of Widdershins. Children were treated to this traditional tale told using puppets, music and lights. Highlights included Bunions Souless shoes from the factory in a suitcase, a mouse called Cornelius, and of course, the Elves: Snufflepacket and Glensip. Performances from the theatre are so detailed that it is hard to give a picture in words—so ask your children and take a look at the photos! Ms Kowalska



Clerk required

Sadly Emma Linney is no longer able to provide clerking to the governing body. Emma has been a wonderfully effective clerk and will be sorely missed! For details of the post see the [school website](#)

Is your child eligible for Free School Meals?

Discounted music tuition may be available for pupils eligible for Free School Meals. Please email the office if interested.

On the celebration tree this week...

Gold:
Silver:
Crimson:
Burgundy: **Felix Maggie**
Ruby:
Topaz:
Turquoise:
Jade:
Sapphire:
Indigo:
Amethyst: Lucas Bobby
Violet: Giselle



Upcoming diary dates

Science Week—14th March

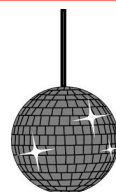
Year 4 trip to West Stow —8th March

Inset day — Thursday 24th March

Last day of term for children — Wednesday 23rd March

What's for lunch?

Week beginning 29th February 2016: Week 2



Thank you

We raised almost £400 from the school disco.