



St Swithun's News

Week ending 4th February 2022

St Swithun's C of E Primary Academy's Vision
Love bears all things
Believes all things
Hopes all things
Endures all things
(1 Corinthians 13:7)

Our Gospel Value for this half term is: PERSEVERENCE

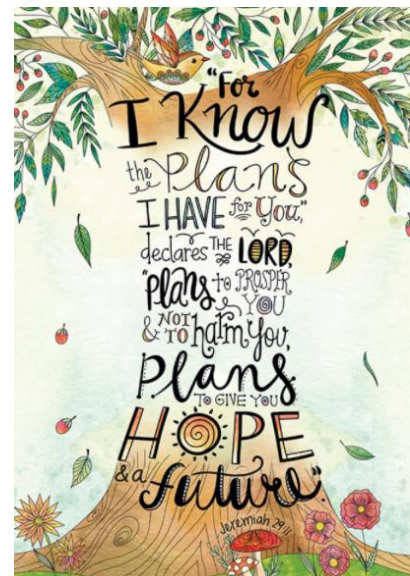


CONGRATULATIONS to lunchtime manners awards winners. These children have been spotted by our Midday Supervisors using good manners at lunchtime:

Clumber: Cassie, Amelia
Rufford: Tyler, Nathan
Newstead: Frankie, Lucy

CONGRATULATIONS to the children who were awarded the Perseverance Certificates in Celebration Worship this week:

Clumber: Ryden, Florence
Rufford: Tyler, Lillyann
Newstead: Princess, Jacob W



UPCOMING SPORTS EVENTS:



We are passionate about our sports at St Swithun's and delighted to let you know that our sports teams are going from strength to strength.

So that we can build our St Swithun's team identity, we are going to be asking the children to design our very own school sports kit which we hope

we will be able to present to you next term.
We are busy training for:

- ★ **Tuesday 22nd February: Boccia**
- ★ **Thursday 24th March: Y5/6 Basketball**
- ★ **Thursday 31st March: Year 3/4 Rugby**
- ★ **Wednesday 2nd April: Whole School Virtual Dance Competition**



Multi-skills after school club for children in Years 1 & 2

After half term we will be offering an after school multi-skills sports club for children in Clumber class. This will start at 3.15pm and will run for an hour until 4.15pm every Tuesday starting on Tuesday 1st March

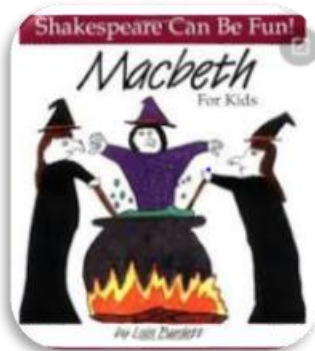


On Monday, we welcomed the minister from Grove Street Methodist Church to lead our Collective Worship on Monday. Reverend Julie taught us about John Wesley.

[Rufford visit to Grove Street Methodist Church](#)

On Tuesday 22nd February Rufford Class will be visiting Grove Street Methodist Church as part of their RE curriculum.

[Little Theatre Shakespeare Workshop:](#)



The Retford Little Theatre youth theatre company will be coming to school on Wednesday 9th Feb to work with the children in Years 5 and 6. We are really looking forward to developing our children's performance skills through the knowledge they have gained this half term of the characters and plot in Macbeth.

[Circus Skills Workshop – Monday 7 Feb](#)

All our children will be taking part in a Circus Skills Workshop on **Monday 7 February**.

We will be visited by Primary Workshops for Schools, who will work with each class in a workshop, focusing on circus activities such as spinning plates, diabolo, balance boards and juggling balls that encourage participation, movement, coordination, and balance skills in an energetic and exciting way.

We are sure the children will have a fantastic time.

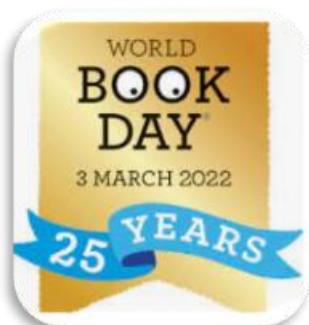
Children will need to have their PE kits in school on that day please.



[Numbers Day – School of Rock!](#)



A huge thanks to all of you for entering into the spirit of Numbers Day with such enthusiasm and creativity. We had a main school full of Times Tables Rock Stars....a Foundation Stage full of children dressed as Number Rhymesand a lot of fun with numbers!



World Book Day – 3 March – dress up as your favourite Roald Dahl book character and bring your favourite book to school

World Book Day returns this year on 3rd March 2022 with its annual celebration of books and shared reading!

The charity which offers every child the opportunity to have a book of their own is on a mission to change children's lives by making reading together and reading for pleasure a habit for life.

As well as 12 exclusive new £1 books this year written by some of the UK's leading authors and illustrators, the charity has announced a programme of free digital events and activities.

Every child will bring home a £1 book token on the day



Newstead Theatre Visit - Friday 18th February

If you have not already done so, please can you return your child's consent form with payment by Monday 7 February
We are very excited about our half term visit to Retford Little Theatre to watch a production of Macbeth.



Breakfast Club – places available

We have spare places at our Breakfast Club which runs from Mon to Fri every week from **0800-0845** in our school hall.

If your child is entitled to Pupil Premium funding or have free school meal, then they are entitled to a free place in our Breakfast Club, 5 days a week.

Bookings for the week ahead must be made before Friday lunchtime as the office email is not monitored at the weekends.



Date	Event
Mon 7 th February	Circus skills workshops for all classes
Friday 11 February	School closes for HALF TERM
Friday 18 th February	Newstead theatre visit - Shakespeare's <i>Macbeth</i>
Monday 21 February	Staff training day (INSET). School closed to children
Tuesday 22 February	School reopens for children
Tuesday 22 February	Boccia competition

Thursday 24 March	Newstead Basketball competition
Thursday 31 March	Rufford Rugby competition
Wednesday 2 March	Whole School Virtual Dance Competition
Thursday 3 March	WORLD BOOK DAY – information about events in school to follow
Thursday 31 March 2.00-3.00pm	Whole school Easter service at St Saviour's Church
Friday 1 April	School closes for the Easter break



Wishing all our families a happy and
healthy weekend