

## Victoria Road Newsletter February 2023

As we reach half way through the year I would like to share some updates for you.

The Guinea pigs have settled in lovely and I am so proud of how caring the children are towards them. The children love sharing any left-over salad from lunchtime and chatting to them daily. The after-school club have made a fantastic display with lots of information on guinea pigs to help others understand their needs. The children are not so keen on the cleaning routine but I have had some amazing helpers so far!

The “My Happy Mind” programme we use to support mental health at our school have now officially launched a brand new app in February. This contains new content for parents and children to enjoy as they carry on their My Happy Mind learning journey at home! New features include:

- **Mini Masterclasses** for Parents
- A new **Kids Zone** which is jam-packed with things for the kids to enjoy, such as animated stories, Happy Breathing, music and the brand new **Games**.
- Brand new **children's activities**.
- and much more!

Parents can download the App using these links and our URN number 143164 to sign up:

- Apple: <https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/myhappymind/id6471412523>
- Android: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.kj138126.app&hl=kr>

If parents have already created an account, they will be able to sign into the new App straight away.

We still have 2 vacancies for parent/carer Governors at Victoria Road Primary School. If you are interested in applying or would like further information please email [admin@victoriaroad.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@victoriaroad.cheshire.sch.uk)

Future dates for March 2024 are:

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March – Non-uniform day for Yellow house group (Spring 1 half term house point winners).

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March – Readathon Week. Children will be invited to complete the reading sponsorship form and create a book in a box for a competition.

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day – Children and staff are invited to dress up as a “word/vocab”. Mrs Clarke has sent out further information on this.

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March – Easter hamper raffle tickets go on sale.

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March – Young Carers trip to Chester.

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March – Parents/carers evenings.

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March am - Year 5 visit Rudheath High School for Science & Technology.

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March – Non-uniform day for all. Please donate an Easter raffle gift.

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March – Book Fayre evening home time.

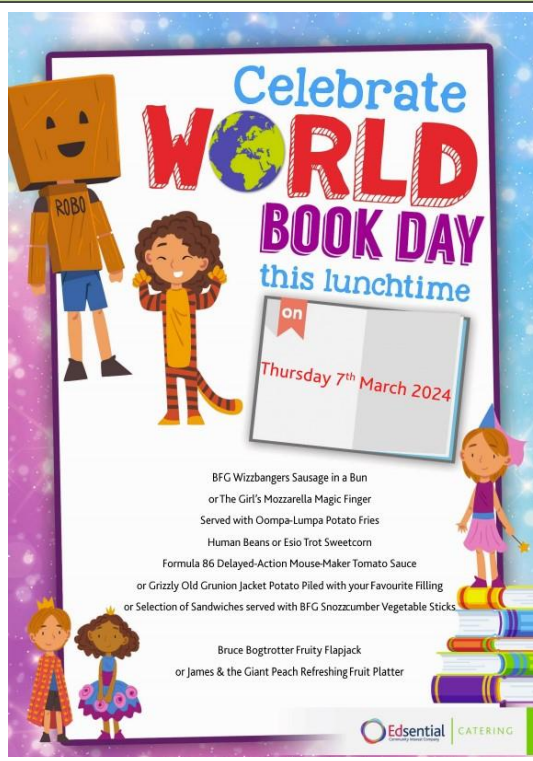
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March – Year 6 Snap Trap session in school (E-Safety).

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March – Last day in school. Restart on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April.

Thank you for your continued support  
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# WORLD BOOK DAY 2024



**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March** is World Book Day. We invite pupils to join our vocabulary parade and come dressed as a word. Stuck for ideas? There are lots online. Will you come dressed as "sparkle", "ocean", "incognito" – the ideas are endless! The children will take part in World Book Day activities throughout the day and will receive a voucher towards a free World Book Day Book or to use at our school book fair.

## BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic Book Fair will be in school between Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March and Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March from 3.15pm – 4pm. It will be based in Year 1 and visitors will need to sign in. Children can use their WBD token to get £1 off a book. Books can be paid for online using QR codes so no cash required. There will be a range of gorgeous books to buy with many under £5.

# Holiday dates 2023 TO 2024

	Date of opening (First day back at school for pupils)	Date of closing (Last day in school for pupils)
<b>2023 Autumn Term</b>	Wednesday 6th September	Friday 20th October
<b>Autumn Term</b>	Monday 30th October	Friday 15th December
<b>2024 Spring Term</b>	Wednesday 3rd January	Thursday 15th February
<b>Spring Term</b>	Monday 26th February	Thursday 28th March
<b>2024 Summer Term</b>	Monday 15th April	Friday 24th May
<b>Summer</b>	Tuesday 4th June	Wednesday 24th July

## INSET DAYS 2023-2024

INSET DAY 1 - Monday 4th September 2023

INSET DAY 2 - Tuesday 5th September 2023

INSET DAY 3 - Friday 29th September 2023

INSET DAY 4- Tuesday 2nd January 2024

INSET DAY 5 - Friday 16th February 2024

INSET DAY 6 - Monday 3rd June 2024