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World Book Day Winners

For World Book Day, we set the theme of dressing up as a book related animal. We had so many fantastic imaginative costumes; I really enjoyed seeing all the photos. There can only be one overall winner however, and I'm delighted to announce that first prize has been awarded to Maryam in 1P. I'll let you guess her book character! Congratulations Maryam for such a creative idea - it certainly looks like you've been busy! Your Chester Zoo voucher will be on its way to you shortly.

We have runners up in the other key phases who will be presented with their animal themed non-fiction book prizes. Well done to everyone and thank you again for such a great response.



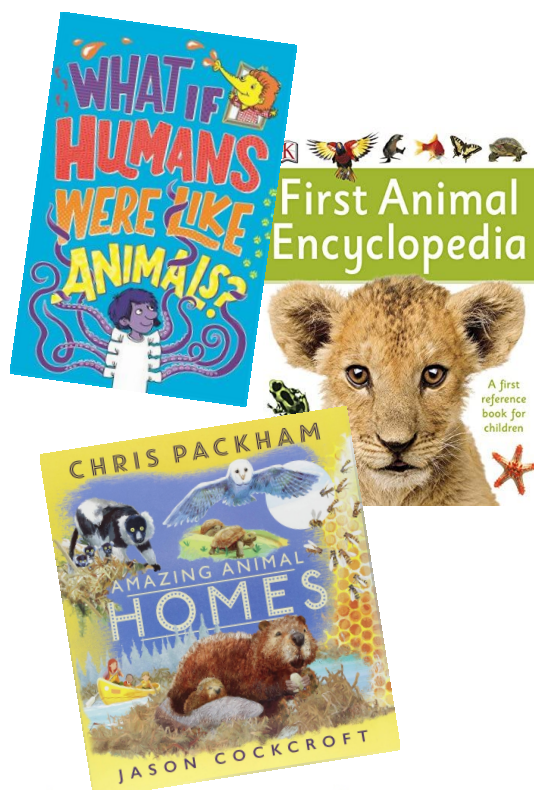
EYFS: Ariana



UKS2: Phoebe



LKS2: Ethan
(with his brother, Tyrell)





Next Friday!

We usually fundraise for Red Nose Day during our PTA Easter Bingo family event. Sadly, for the second year running we are unable to hold this event. However, we are still keen to support this very worthwhile charity and join in the fun. Next Friday, children can come to school in their school uniform and any Red Nose Day accessory of their choice. I'm pleased to see that this year the red noses are plastic free! They can be bought online through the Red Nose website or from Sainsbury's.



We will be joining in with The One Show fun and holding our own Bubble Red Nose & Spoon Races! Come to school prepared with your red nose at the ready!

To avoid unnecessary handling of monies, we are asking that, if possible, you make a donation online for this charity event.

Family Lateral Flow Testing (LFT)

On the Parent feedback forms I introduced last week, some of you asked about how LFTs could be accessed for families. From 1 March 2021, if you are a member of a household, childcare bubble or support bubble of staff or a pupil, you can get a twice-weekly test; there are a number of ways in which you can do this:

You can take a rapid lateral flow test at a local site

Testing at these sites is assisted, which means you will swab yourself under the supervision of a trained operator.

You may need to book an appointment [Find your nearest rapid lateral flow test site \(click\)](#)

You can collect test kits from a local collection point

You can collect 2 packs of home test kits at a local collection point. Each pack contains 7 tests. Anyone 18 or over can collect. You can check online if the location is busy before you go. [Find your nearest home test kit collection point. \(click\)](#)

You can order home test kits online

If you cannot get tested at your workplace, or are unable to go to a test site or collect test kits, you can order a home test kit online. Do not order online if you can get a test through other methods. This frees up home delivery for those who need it most. [Order rapid lateral flow home test kits \(click\)](#)

Reminders

Please do not use the school car park. this is reserved for staff, school taxis and Blue Badge holders only. If you have a Blue Badge, please display clearly. We have increased pedestrians using the car park at the moment and cars going into the car park are making it dangerous. Please do not enter the car park in your car.

Children are coming to school with large back packs. We are still not using the cloakrooms fully and therefore coats and bags are having to be stored in classrooms or corridors. Your child only needs to bring their reading book and a packed lunch if they have one. Please keep bag sizes to an absolute minimum.

If your child is absent due to illness, please phone the school office and speak to a member of the office staff, or if out of hours, leave a message on the dedicated absence voicemail. Please do not report absences via ClassDojo as the message will not be seen early enough.

Kind regards,

Cathy Beddows
and the Etchells staff

