



FORDHAM NEWS

Perseverance, Respect, Inspiration, Determination, Enjoyment

DIARY DATES

APRIL

3rd — Bikeability Y4
 5th- Dance Assembly
 5th- Easter service
 5th- Easter tea & bake off
 END OF SPRING TERM
 23rd- Back to school
 23rd- Y3/4 Futsall
 24th- Y5/6 Futsall
 29th- Book Fair

MAY

2nd- Y5 Swimming
 9th- Y5 Swimming
 13th- KS2 SATs week
 16th- Y5 Swimming
 21st- Y5/6 Orienteering
 23rd- Y5 Swimming
 23rd- KS1 Intrasports
 24th- KS2 Intrasports

****Polite reminder regarding school dinners**

After Easter, if a school meal hasn't been pre booked it will be assumed that your children have their own sandwiches with them. Due to the way we order food in school we must have numbers in advance. Thank you for your understanding.

FORDHAM'S GOT TALENT (loads of it actually!)



There was an amazing 'buzz' in the air for the school talent show earlier this month. The children worked hard to practice their talents and skills, before showcasing them to us all. I was astounded at the dedication, confidence and bravery the children showed by getting up in front of the whole school and performing to their best abilities- from playing drums to telling jokes, reciting difficult poetry to ninja rolls, jamming as a band to showing us their dancing moves! It wasn't only the children that performed that astounded us, but the children that sat and clapped, cheered and supported their peers too. All children were fantastically well behaved and respectful, Fordham you were brilliant! A big well done to our winners of the people's vote- William and George Wood with their 'Fortnite dancing,' the crowd literally went wild!





A message from Friends of Fordham

Friends of Fordham would like to thank all parents for their continued support this term. Whether this be placing an order for a bag, or bringing your child to the school disco. We hope you are enjoying the programme of events this year. Without your help we can't pull these events off so if you haven't yet signed up to Classlist, please do to ensure you don't miss out on the news. We always need volunteers for all our events and your involvement is key to keeping the PTA going. We have lots of new spending ideas that will benefit the whole school, and we will update you on these soon.

Our next big event is the Easter Tea. This will be directly after the Easter service in church. We are once again holding a baking competition with prizes for different categories, and of course, our 'eggciting' Easter egg hunt!

We look forward to seeing you there!
Friends of Fordham.

A huge well done to this months Gold Book Winners.....

Eva Turner, Harry Smith, Evan Cook, Lilly Turner, Iris Loftus, Carma Taylor, Jude Taylor, Max Williams, Lauren Langley, George Wood, James Curtis, Sophia Carne, Megan Cole, Oliver Blackwell, Natalie Palmer, Alexandra Hemmings, Nikita Hlibko, Freya Maroney, Tommy Cole, Frankie Westcott, Lenny Rochester, Livia Higham, Lillia Berry, Simeon Sharp, Jonty Ray, Ashton Ketley- Gregan, Aiden Beards, Lacey-Fae Le-Chalmers, James Spalding, Chloe Sadler, Benjamin Spalding, Theo Jackson, Chantel Abel, Nina Loftus, Jude Leigh, Sophie Carton, Olivia Cottrell, Lucy Cole, Millie Gibbins, Imogen Millin, Lucy Curtis, Yash Patel, Charlie Rowland, Miles Wombwell, Charlie Gerken, Stanley Noble, Ruby Todd, Paiten-Marie Furneaux, Amalea Wombwell, Sophie Browne, Maddy Besant, Hollie Gerken

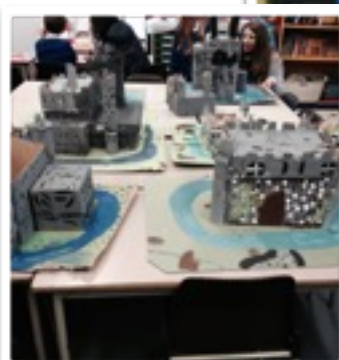


CASTLE FUN!

Classes 1&2 went off site to our very own Colchester Castle to learn more about this term's school theme 'When in Rome'. The children had a fun day learning lots about the Romans and the history of Colchester Castle. We are lucky to have such a great resource on our doorstep!



On Wednesday we were then lucky enough to be able to show so many of you all what we had learnt this term in our classroom exhibitions!



Attendance

Class 1- 97.08%

Class 2- 98.09%

Class 3- 97.94%

Class- 4- 98.89%

Class 5- 98.28%

Whole School- 98.15%





World Book Day

Thank you for supporting us in our annual book day- we do appreciate the lengths you go to to source costumes for your children. Everyone looked great and had a thoroughly enjoyable day. Thank you to Mrs McMillan for organising a great day, and to our English ambassadors supporting her in assembly and sharing with school. Our Class 5 pupils wrote some reports of the day, a few are below for your enjoyment

World Book Day 2019

On the 7th of March, an amazing World Book Day took place at Fordham All Saints School. There was a range of characters from Elmer to Willy Wonka, from Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. Favourite books and poems were read out by the English Leads in an exhilarating assembly lead by Mrs McMillan. Mrs McMillan also explained the importance of sharing stories, for the younger children with their parents, or for the older children to encourage reading more and maybe the occasional time with their friends or family.

In Class 5, the pupils combined the topic of fractions, decimals and percentages with their new class book 'A Darkness of Dragons' to Multiply decimals by 10,100, and 1000. Meanwhile in Class 4, the hard-working pupils were designing maps of their dream fairy tale land. Amelie Rees (a Class 4 pupil) said, "World Book day is fun because you dress how you feel. Mr Easterbrook has the best costume I think." Mr Easterbrook was dressed as the Mad Hatter from Alice and Wonderland.

In Class 2, the pupils were busy making extraordinary fairy tale books and masks. Dressed up as Jemima Puddle Duck, Darcy Wombwell commented, "I love it!" While Yash Patel said that world book day is brilliant and he has been looking forward to it for ages. In Class 1, they were reading their books they brought with their costumes and in Class 3 the pupils were designing their dream islands and did the annual World Book Day Quiz.

All the children at Fordham All Saints have had an excellent school day on the topic sharing stories and it was finished by a visit from their family's to share one of their favourite stories. The pupils at Fordham School behaved exceptionally on this fun day. Nearly a full class was dressed up as A Harry Potter character and we hope this exciting event will be fun in years to come.

By Iris and Grace

FORDHAM ALL SAINTS WACKY WORLD BOOK DAY

On Thursday the 7th of March, Fordham All Saints Primary School celebrated a show-stopping World Book Day. The children all dressed up in outstanding costumes to enjoy their favourite book characters on this amazing day. The day started with a fabulous assembly where the English Leads (Lucy Curtis, Iris Loftus, Maya Homewood and Jude Leigh) read their favourite passages from their most loved book.

The pupils were then dismissed back to their classrooms to continue with their book-themed activities. Clearly, the pupils at Fordham appreciate the hard-work their superb teachers give to make World Book Day a day to remember, "We loved making masks and colouring." Olivia Cottrell from Class 2 said.

The most popular costumes were Harry Potter. There was a lot of quirky and unique costumes such as the scarecrow from the Wizard of Oz, The Queen of Hearts from Alice in Wonderland, Belle from Beauty and the Beast and the orange jumpsuit from the story Holes. "I loved Mrs Terrell's outfit the best as she dressed up as a parrot." Teddy Richardson from Class 4 reported.

In the afternoon of this spectacular day, the children got split up into separate groups to read their favourite books with the elder students and teachers. In addition, the pupils loved-ones came in to read the children's favourite books with them. It was a very special moment for everyone including the teachers. Thank you everyone for such a special World Book Day.

By Lucy & Amalea

ANOTHER WORLD BOOK DAY GONE

On the 7th of March 2019, Fordham All Saints Primary School celebrated World Book Day at their school. They celebrate World Book Day every year because it is always an iconic highlight of the academic calendar.

On World Book Day children get the opportunity to dress up as their favourite book character. Children dress up as characters from Morrigan Crow (Nevermoor) to Elmer and Harry Potter. This year it was counted that there were almost 25 pupils of Fordham dressed up as Harry Potter characters. Along with dressing up many of the pupils brought in the book they were from. Jude Leigh, a member of class 4, said that that is one of the best things to do for World Book Day along with being allowed to put face paint on.

Every year it remains a tradition to have a big assembly with the whole school. Alexandra Hemmings, a member of class 5, said that one year we all came to school in pyjamas and listened to stories. English leads help the deputy head (Mrs McMillan) with the assembly. This year they read out a snippet of their favourite book. Iris Loftus, an English lead said, "I loved being up the front and seeing everyone's wonderful costumes."

Some of the activities Fordham got up to, range from making fairy tale maps to making bookmarks and masks and colouring. Many of the children love making props at home and bringing them in. Nina Loftus from class 4 said, "It is nice to have lessons that are a bit funner than usual."

The younger members of the school said that World Book Day makes them feel happy. The members of lower KS2 thoroughly enjoyed having a member of staff from puffin book publishers come in. Class 3 had a wonderful quiz and the winning team received a new copy of Percy Jackson. Afterwards they designed their own treasure maps.

The theme of 2019 was sharing stories. This World Book Day will never be forgotten as lots of children thoroughly enjoyed it and cannot wait for another amazing year at Fordham All Saints.

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By Alexandra & Elise

