



FRIDAY FOCUS

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1. THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS:

What a wonderful week of reading for pleasure we have had. In recognition of World Book Day, we have been celebrating all that is great about reading. Our assemblies have focussed on why reading is so important for children; teachers have been recommending new authors and books and then focusing on how we can use better expression when reading out loud. We watched the fantastic Michael Rosen's rendition of his poem 'Chocolate Cake' which had the children in fits of giggles. We hosted a book fayre for 3 nights after school and invited parents and children to use their £1 voucher towards a new book.

This was so well supported. Our class librarians were then able to choose some books from the book fayre to add to our library. On Thursday, so many children and staff came dressed up as book characters. I think that it was the best year ever for costumes. Year 6, in particular, were incredible; we had the 7 dwarfs, 101 Dalmatians (well 5 actually!) Tweedle Di and Tweedle Dum, Paddington Bear (including marmalade sandwich!) witches and wizards from Hogwarts, Mary Poppins, characters from the Cat in the Hat and so many more. Thank you so much for supporting your children to dress up so creatively. A huge thank you also to all of our parents who came to our Come and Read session on Thursday too. We nearly reached 100 this time! It was so lovely to see so many children reading out loud to parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles. I truly hope that this has inspired an increased love of reading for all.



2. HANDBALL HEROES

On Wednesday, 2 teams of Y5/6 pupils had a wonderful afternoon in the sunshine at the handball competition at Testwood School. Against 10 other teams from across the New Forest, our 2 squads put on a real show and got better and better with each game. Having learnt the skills and strategy in PE lessons, the teams went about their matches with great confidence and pace. Each team took charge of selecting positions, starting line ups and sensibly and maturely rotated their own substitutes during match play. Both teams were excellent - playing to win and recognising the strengths in their teammates to maximise their chances of success. By the end of the event, both had won more than half of their games with our yellows managing to snatch a silver medal away from the blues!

Handball is SUCH a great game - fast paced, simple in its rules and also develops so many fundamental skills found in so many sports! Well done to you all! 🏆



CELEBRATION AND AWARDS

Headteacher Awards

Congratulations to this week's Headteacher Award winners!

Y3 - Isabella and Sophie **Y4 - Lily N and Bella RT**
Y5 - Dominic and Amy **Y6 - Evie and Naya**

ACTIVE Awards

Well done to these children who have been demonstrating one or more of our learning behaviours

Y3 - Kahli and Owen **Y4 - Grace and Orla**
Y5 - Alex and Chris **Y6 - Alisha and Elliot**

Golden Tokens!

The lucky 8 whose names were plucked from the hat as reward for being on the golden zone this week.

Y3 - Jenson and Harrison **Y4 - Bella R and Charlie**
Y5 - Caitlin and Ollie **Y6 - Tyler and Ivan**



Easter Raffle

KEY DATES **Y3** **Y4** **Y5** **Y6** **ALL**

Fri 20th Mar, 9am - Year 4 Exit Point (African Drums concert)

Mon 23rd Mar - Science Week

Mon 23rd Mar - Year 6 Mock SATS week

Tues 24th Mar - Easter Raffle

Tues 24th Mar, 2:30pm - Year 3 Exit Point

Weds 25th Mar - Mid Year Reports out

Weds 25th Mar, 2:30pm - Year 5 Exit Point

Thurs 26th Mar - Y3 trip to Testwood Lakes

Fri 27th Mar - Last day of term

Fri 27th Mar, 9am - Year 6 Exit Point

Mon 13th Apr - Back to school

Thurs 23rd Apr, 3:15pm - Year 6 SATS parents meeting

Fri 24th Apr, 4:30-6:30pm - Chocolate Bingo

2025/26 INSET days: 19th Jun 2026

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Our Easter Raffle tickets have gone out this week. The top prize donated by Watermill Wines is a case of 6 bottles of Terra Organica Sauvignon Blanc. Our second prize donated by Delta Paintballing is a Paintballing session for up to 10 people.

We have many other prizes as well as Easter gift parcels filled with goodies, tickets and other toys.

Please return all tickets and money by Friday 20th March. The Easter Raffle will be drawn on Tuesday 24th March 2026.

