



Bird's Bush News 11.03.22

YEAR 6 GDS (GREATER DEPTH) WRITING WORKSHOP!



On Wednesday, Year 6 took part in a greater depth-writing workshop based on Harry Potter. They used their fantastic writing skills to help them with dialogue and action. They made notes to help them with their writing.

“It has been amazing due to the fact we have learnt skills to extend our writing.” –Rebecca and Maddison.

“In my opinion, this has upgraded our social skills due to the fact we have shared opinions with other schools in our trust.” -Olivia and Evie

“Personally, I think this workshop has improved our adverbs for dialogue.” –Hannah and Ellie



Y5 Parliamentary Workshop



Year 5 have been learning about the role of parliament as part of their PSHE curriculum. They have learnt what a member of Parliament does, how laws are made and why democracy is so important. The Parliament Education Team spoke to the children via video call and taught them about the House of Commons and House of Lords, and how both play a vital part in creating new laws. Mrs Hathaway said, “It was fascinating to carry out role play and take part in a debate on the introduction of a new law.”

Additionally, children were joined by Tamworth MP, Christopher Pincher and made the most of the opportunity to ask them lots of questions, such as, ‘What made you get into politics?’, ‘Have you ever visited the Victoria and Elizabeth Towers?’ There was even a cheeky request from Reece - ‘Would you like to come and visit us at Bird’s Bush?’ Mr Pincher responded that he would love to!

Schools have a duty to ‘actively promote’ the fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, and mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs. These are embedded within our curriculum and our school values and this was a great opportunity for the children to experience ‘rule of law’ at the highest level. We were delighted that Mr Pincher was able to join in with the discussions and look forward to him visiting Bird’s Bush soon.

The Amazing Adventures of our Story Tato's



Your creativity never ceases to amaze us! Some fabulous adventures for the Bird's Bush Story Tato's that have been published onto a Purple Mash display board - have a look here: [READ OUR STORIES](#)

British Science Week

11-20 March
**British
Science
Week
2022**



On the week of the **14th March**, Bird's Bush will be celebrating **Science and Technology Week** throughout the school. Each class will be working to create a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) project in school based on the subject of 'Growth', this year's British Science Week theme.

To celebrate this exciting week we are holding our own **STEM fair!** We are inviting children to **create their own STEM project at home which demonstrates their understanding of 'Growth'**. For example, children could look at plant growth, population growth, how animals or humans grow ... the possibilities are endless! We would be very grateful if you could support your children in their project, discussing the scientific theory behind their project.

If children wish to enter, they **need to bring their project**, along with an explanation of the science behind their work, to class on **Monday 14th March**.

Each project will be celebrated, however one winner will be chosen from each class and will receive a certificate. These winners will be entered into our STEM fair where our panel of judges will be invited to select a winner from each Key Stage on **Wednesday 16th March**. The Science fair will be in the hall from 3.15 - 3.45pm on Wednesday, come and have a look!

In addition to our STEM projects, we would love for you to email in a **'Science Selfie'** of the children, to the email address, caught doing something scientific (Could they be observing the nature in their garden? Taking part in identifying changes in materials when cooking? Exploring slime? Exploring in

a museum?) Each selfie entered will be added to our school display and the best entry will receive a prize.

I hope you are as excited about our Science and Technology Week as we are!

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Gould

(Science Subject Lead)

Parent Consultation Evenings



There are some appointments still available for Parent Consultations on 22nd or 23rd March - please use the text link to book. If you cannot make these dates, please contact the office by email to arrange an alternative date.

Whilst restrictions are no longer in place, please be mindful and respect our request that you do not attend if you have any symptoms, use the hand sanitiser available and socially distance from others not from your household. We want to keep everyone safe, especially our staff so they can be in school with the children.

School Council News



RED NOSE DAY FRIDAY 18TH MARCH

School Council agreed it would be funny to dress in our pyjamas or own clothes if people are uncomfortable. We are asking for a minimum of 50p as a donation if it is possible.

There will be a red nose paint station for children to have their noses painted if they want but they must pay 10p to do so.

School council will collect donations at the gate with their buckets.

By Tabitha and Harley

Spring Term Learning



Children have started new learning topics this half term. Please have a look at the curriculum passports to see what each year group will be learning about.

[Reception Spring 2 Curriculum Passport](#)

[Y1 Spring 2 Curriculum Passport](#)

[Y2 Spring 2 Curriculum Passport](#)

[Y3 Spring 2 Curriculum Passport](#)

[Y4 Spring 2 Curriculum Passport](#)

[Y5 Spring 2 Curriculum Passport](#)

[Y6 Spring 2 Curriculum Passport](#)

Looking towards EASTER!



We will be having an Easter Raffle this term, digital tickets are £1 and can be brought on Parent Pay or by sending money in a named envelope which can be handed to the adult on the gate. The raffle will be drawn on **Friday 8th April**. We have some amazing prizes already and will be having a Non Uniform day on **Friday 1st April** for you to send in a donation of chocolate if you are able to.

This year we are bringing back our traditional Easter Bonnet Parade for Lower School (Reception, Y1, Y2 & Y3). Children are invited to create their Easter Bonnet at home and bring it into school on **Friday 8th April**. We will then have a parade around the playgrounds (hopefully! depending on the weather) at 1pm. Parents and friends are welcome to come and watch.

For Upper School (Y4, Y5 & Y6) we invite children to enter our Decorated Egg competition by bringing in their decorated egg on **Thursday 7th April**. If using a real egg, please make sure the inside is blown out or it is very hard boiled no more than a week before it comes into school - we really want to avoid the smell of rotting eggs!! You could also use a polystyrene or plastic egg if you wish. We love the creativity of our children but ask that, if you are creating a scene with your egg it must be NO bigger than a shoebox as we don't have the space.

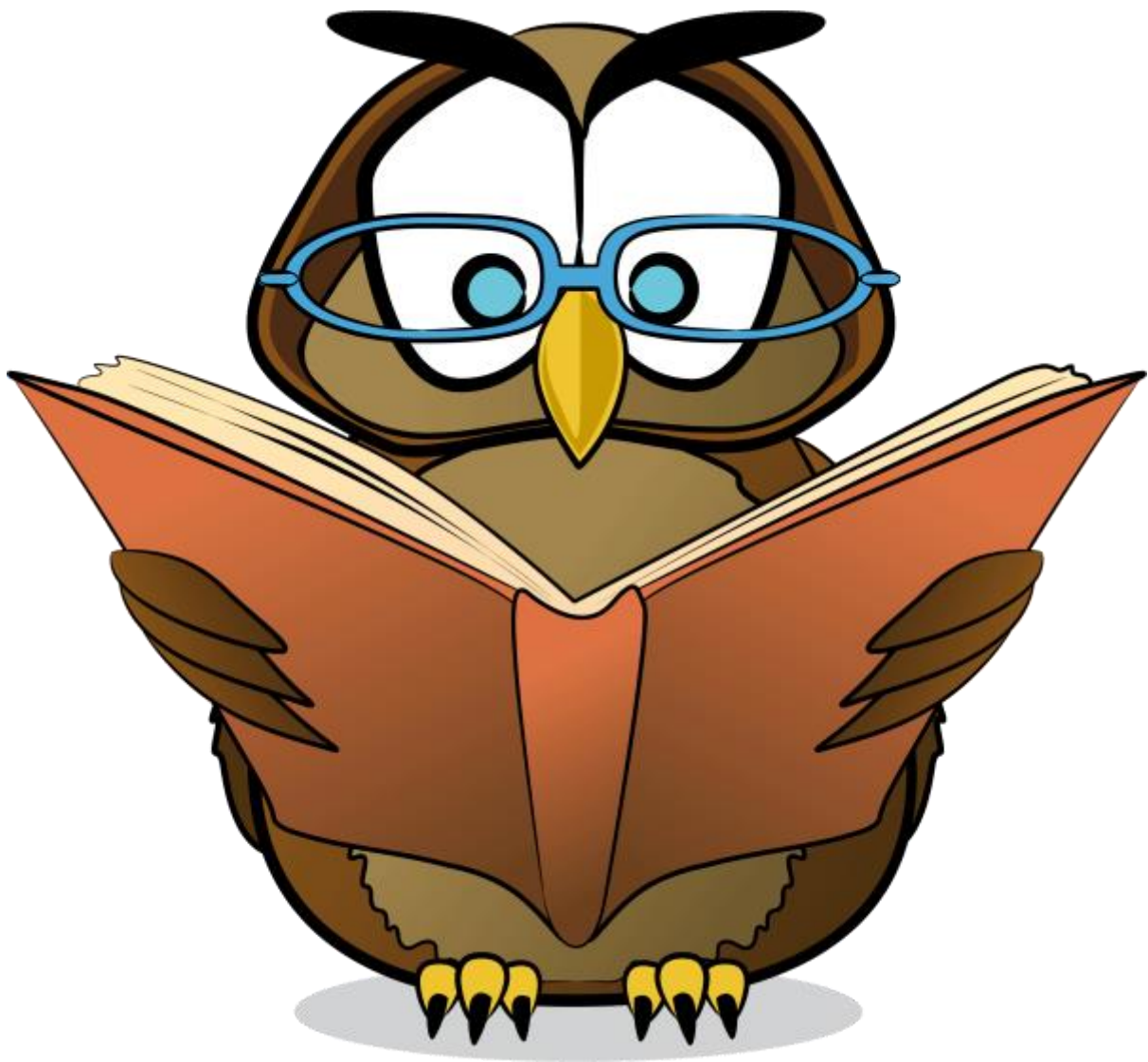
Our catering staff would also like to invite all of the children to send in an Easter picture of their choice which they have decorated themselves by **Thursday 7th April**. Prizes will be given in each year group.

Champions 11.3.22



Eloise	1 1D	Safe	Eloise has shown all CHAMPIONS characteristics this week. She has helped her friends, organised all her resources. Her motivation and ambition have helped her in all her lessons. I know she is proud of herself and we are proud of her too! Excellent Eloise!
Lincoln	2 2F	Organised	Lincoln has worked well this week making sure he has everything he needs to be successful in each of his lessons.
Lucy-May	3 3C	Ambition	Lucy has tried to use some fabulous vocabulary to suit her newspaper report this week. Well done, Lucy!
Harley	4 4G	Independence	This week Harley has shown a huge improvement in both his presentation and his independence. He is trying so hard to show he is an independent learner. Well done Harley.
Alexi-Grace	5 5H	Motivation	For showing motivation in using her skills in her extended write
Holly	6 6J	Motivation	Holly has been very motivated in her learning this week, writing a fabulous setting description in her independent write.
Eli	Reception RS	Confidence	Eli was extremely confident in adult focus this week. He wrote two sentences to describe the giant from Jack and the Beanstalk!

READ-IT WINNERS



Reception - Raya

Y1 - Derry

Y2 - Layton

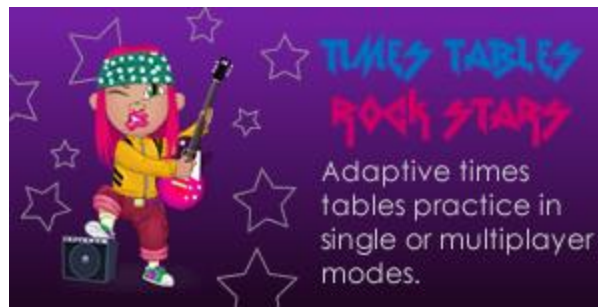
Y3 - Caitlin

Y4 - Rowan

Y5 - Archie

Y6 - Alfie

TTRS & Numberbots winners



Y1 - Noah V

Y2 - Sophie

Y3 - Eva

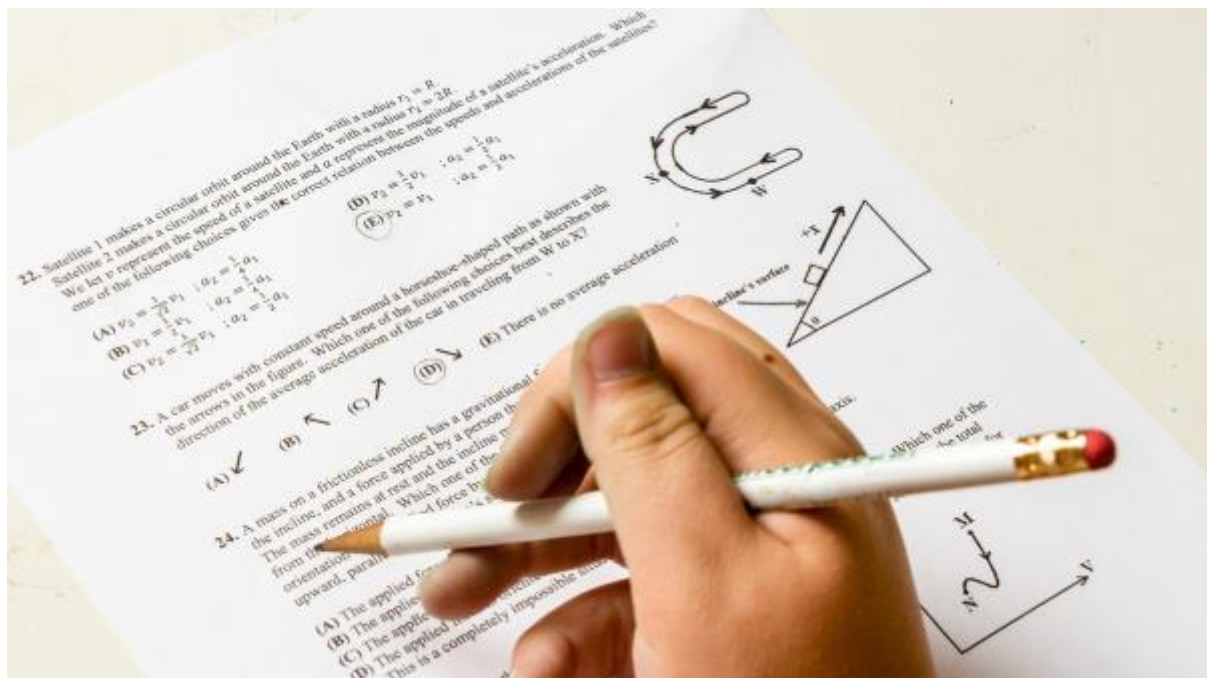
Y4 - Jayden

Y5 - Mia W

Y6 - Madison B

In response to concerns raised by some children and some parents, we have added a 'curfew' to TTRS playing time. Children will only be able to access TTRS from 9am until 7pm. The best way to make progress is little and often - 5 minutes play-a-day is best.

Homework prize draw



Reception - Poppy

Y1 - Mylo

Y2 - Sophie

Y3 - Casey Rae

Y4 - Lyla

Y5 - Ellie-Rose

Y6 - Alfie



Wearing school uniform encourages a shared belonging to our school and creates equality for pupils. Please try to send children in school uniform as much as possible. We are still asking that children wear their PE kit on days when they have PE - again, we ask that children wear the correct PE kit:

- Plain Black/navy joggers, shorts or plain black leggings
- Trainers for outdoor PE
- Plain white or pale blue T-shirt

They can have a plain black/navy sweatshirt for outdoor PE or they can wear their Bird's Bush sweatshirt if it's cold.

NO JEWELLERY is allowed for PE - earrings must be removed (easier to take them out at home) and we are not allowed for them to be covered with tape or plasters due to health and safety concerns.

NO MAKE UP, NAIL VARNISH (including acrylic nails) or UNNATURAL HAIR COLOUR is acceptable in school.



Denese Hill - Family Support Worker

Denese is available for help and support about all sorts of matters - not just school related stuff! Just drop her an email and she will be in touch. d.hill@perryhallmat.co.uk

Official Facebook Group for Parents

[Click here to join the group](#)

Please remember that Denese no longer is a member of the other Facebook group so cannot help or advise with any posts put on that one. If you have an issue or concern, please contact us directly so we can help sort it out with you.

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The school office is open from 8.30am - 4.00pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. 8.45am - 3.30pm Thursday and 8.30am - 4.00pm Friday.

THE ANSWER PHONE WILL BE ON DURING LUNCHTIMES - please leave a message, at times there is no one in the office so your call cannot be answered even if you keep ringing us.

Please email us or leave a message on the answerphone and we will get back to you.

Spring term diary dates

DATE	EVENT	WHO
14 th March	Science Week – Science homework projects due in today	All year groups
16 th March	Stem Fair 3.15 – 3.45 come and have a look at our super science	Parents welcome from all year groups
18 th March	Red Nose day – wear you PJ's (or own clothes is fine too!) 50p donation 10p for us to paint your nose	All year groups
21 st March	Ash End Farm visit	Reception
22 nd /23 rd March	Parent consultation evenings	Parents from all year groups with booked appointment times
1 st April	Non Uniform day for a donation of Chocolate for our Easter Raffle	All year groups
7 th April	Upper School Decorated Egg competition	Y4,5,6
8 th April	Lower School Easter Bonnet Parade	Reception, Y1,2 - parents welcome at 1.00pm to see the parade

Spring Term 2022

- **Term Time:** Monday 28th February 2022 to Friday 8th April 2022
- EASTER HOLIDAY 9TH APRIL - 24TH APRIL

Summer Term 2022

- **Term Time:** Monday 25th April 2022 to Friday 27th May 2022
- **Half term:** Monday 30th May 2022 to Friday 3rd June 2022
- **Term Time:** Monday 6th June 2022 to Wednesday 20th July 2022
- **Bank Holiday Monday 2nd May**
- **STAFF TRAINING DAY - THURSDAY 21st JULY**
- **JUBILEE BANK HOLIDAY DAY (in lieu of May) - FRIDAY 22nd JULY**

Apologies for the changes again, back to the original plan! School will be open as normal on 17th June.

LAST DAY FOR CHILDREN WEDNESDAY 20th July