



IMPORTANT DATES/TASKS THIS WEEK:

- Please sign up for your child's Spring Term parent/carer appointment on Arbor this week.
 - Please read the information contained within the News Bulletin regarding curriculum support.
 - Date for the diary – World Book Day, Thursday 6th March 2025.
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SCHOOL UPDATES & REMINDERS

SPORTS ROUND-UP:

A huge well done to our Y5/6 netball squad who competed admirably in the fiercely contested Gateshead finals of their 'Bee Netball' tournament at Gateshead International Stadium this week. The team picked up a win and a draw within their three fixtures and only just missed out on qualifying to the county finals on baskets scored. The team showed amazing skills, determination and teamwork, and represented the school with aplomb.

CURRICULUM:

Please be reminded that you can find information regarding our school curriculums – ie. What is taught in each curriculum subject – on our school website ([here](#)).

CURRICULUM SUPPORT – MATHEMATICS:

We often hear parents and carers reflecting on the fact that the way curriculum content has changed a lot since their own school days. One area often discussed is that of calculation in mathematics. We would like to point parents/carers towards home learning lessons produced as part of the *White Rose Maths* resource which we use as our curriculum spine. These virtual lessons are designed to support pupils to continue their learning at home as well as to model how subject content is taught in each area of the curriculum. Below, you will find links to resources for each year group, and curriculum content is presented by unit and term:

[Early Years](#)

[Year 1](#)

[Year 2](#)

[Year 3](#)

[Year 4](#)

[Year 5](#)

[Year 6](#)

WORLD BOOK DAY:

We will be celebrating World Book Day as a school on Thursday 6th March. Among a host of activities taking part on the day, we would like to invite pupils to come into school dressed as a character from a favourite book/story. Extra points go to pupils who choose a character from one of the books they have read in class this year. You can the books/stories that your child will be reading this year outlined within our literary canon [here](#).

Please remember that there is no expectation of participation, and we would discourage parents/carers from spending on full costumes or new items in order for their child to take part. Please keep ideas simple and use what you already have or can get your hands on easily without needing to spend.

If you foresee having any difficulties helping your child to participate in the day, please do not hesitate to get in contact with school to see how we could help.

REMINDER – RETURN OF READING BOOKS:

Please could all parents ensure that all school reading books are returned to school each week. In particular, please could all families (even if pupils are now in KS2) check bookshelves at home and ensure that all Read Write inc/Oxford Reading Tree books are returned as a matter of urgency. In some cases, we are several books short in a particular set which is affecting our reading routines, and we do not wish to waste limited school resource on purchasing new copies if there are books still to be returned. Thank you.