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Mrs Parry's Newsletter



High Adventure with Class A

It was a chilly Monday morning in January when we boarded the coach and set off for a thrilling 3 day adventure in Yorkshire. It was the first time we have visited High Adventure and what an experience! The children were so brave as they mastered abseiling, climbing, archery, moonwalking and the dreaded labarynth! We had so much fun outdoors but were cosy, warm and well fed indoors. I must extend a massive thank you to Mr Waring and Miss Heathcote for giving up their family time (and their sleep) to come on the trip. We enjoyed it so much that it's already rebooked for January 2026!



Operation Ouch! Food, Poo and You!

Just last week Class B hopped on a coach and made their way to Manchester Science and Industry Museum, to find out all about the digestive system and how it works. This is what Eva Year 4 had to say about it "When we arrived it was very exciting because there was lots to explore. There were three different exhibitions and we got to go through the digestive system as if we were a piece of food. My favourite of all the exhibitions is when we got to turn a big handle and crank up a car." What a super trip.

Congratulations to Class B on a very successful drumming concert. I understand you had an audience of over 40 people and played really well!

World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 7th March. We are constantly looking at ways to promote a love of books and reading within school and have some new ideas for this year. The plan for the day is that children will come to school dressed as a 'word' they will ideally have the word displayed on their costume in some way. If you google 'dress as a word' there is lots of inspiration out there. We would also like to organise a book swap, where the children bring a pre-loved book into school wrapped up for another child to take and enjoy. Closer to the time we will share some labels to attach to the book to say which genre it is and the age range it is best suited to. Just to be clear, this is not a non-uniform day, children should either come dressed as a word or in full uniform.

On-line Safety



In this everchanging world our children have more and more access to technology. Above is a reminder of the age restrictions of some popular apps. I have been made aware of some unkindness between children via WhatsApp (an app with an age 16 restriction) and have addressed this in school. I would ask you to remind your children of how to behave towards their friends on-line and ask that you regularly check their technology to ensure content of messages is appropriate and that appropriate parental controls remain in place.

Friday 16th February – Last day of term

Monday 26th February – First day of term

Tuesday 5th March – High Peak Kids Council

Thursday 7th March – World Book Day

Monday 11th March – Parents Evening: Class C

Tuesday 12th March– Parents Evening: Reception, Class B and Year 5

Wednesday 13th March – Parents Evening: Class B, Class C and Y6

Wednesday 13th March – Open The Book

Thursday 14th March – Governors Committee Meetings

Friday 15th March – Comic Relief

Sunday 24th March – PTFA 3km Sponsored Walk

Tuesday 26th March - Class B's production of 'You Are Special' 2:00pm and 6:00 pm

Thursday 28th March – Last day of term

Safeguarding

The happiness and safety of our children is our number one priority. If you ever have any concerns about the welfare of a child, please refer to our Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy and Procedures on the school website.

An interesting article about children using skincare products meant for adult skin

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/health-67993618>