

Great [Wood] News Spring Term 5





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Diary Dates

Thursday 7th March - World Book Day

- World Book Day Lunch

- Stoke's Gotta Sing

Friday 8th March - Wizard Of Oz Theatrical Production

Monday 11th March - Non Uniform Day, Easter Chocolate Donations ** Please note date change**

Thursday 14th March - Scholastic Book Fair

PTFA Easter Bingo ** Please note date change**

Friday 15th March - KS2 Dance Festival @ TCA - Separate letter to those involved

- Comic Relief

- Comic Relief Lunch

Thursday 21st March - Gymnastics Competition ** Please note date change**

Friday 22nd March - Easter Celebration Day

School Closes For Easter Holidays

Monday 8th April - Inset Day - School Closed For Pupils

Tuesday 9th April - School Re-Opens

Thursday 18th April - PTFA Meeting, 6.30pm - All Welcome

Tuesday 23rd April - St Georges Day Lunch

Friday 26th April - PTFA Race Night, 7pm - 10pm

Monday 6th May - Bank Holiday - School Closed

Friday 24th May - School Closes For Half Term

Monday 3rd June - School Re-Opens

Year 6 Residential Visit To Standon Bowers



The Wizard of Oz

On Friday 8th March, we will be having some very special visitors to Great Wood. M&M Theatrical productions will be returning to school, with a fantastic performance of 'The Wizard of Oz!' This is a pop up theatre, which arrives with its own cast, staging, lighting, sound, costumes and lots of talent! The performance will be during the afternoon and the whole school will be enjoying the entertainment.

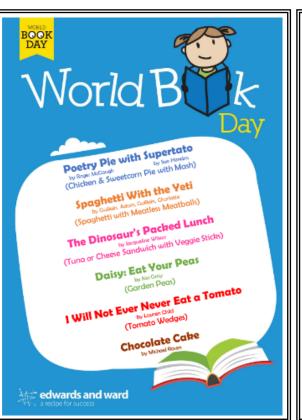
We are very lucky that our amazing PTFA will be heavily subsidising this event and, therefore, the cost to our Great Wood families will be just £5 per child. This can be paid for via Arbor, under the trips section and we would appreciate payment before Tuesday 5th March.

Our children will definitely benefit from this exciting opportunity and we look forward to welcoming M&M Theatrical Productions to Great Wood once again.



World Book Day

Thursday 7th March is World Book Day. All our children will be asked to dress as their favourite character from their favourite book, or wear their pyjamas for reading a story. Whether it's Little Red Riding Hood, Harry Potter or the Wimpy Kid, pick the character that you would most like to be and come dressed as them for the day. Each child will receive a National Book token to use against the purchase of any book costing over £2.99 at participating book shops, or clubs.



Scholastic Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair will be returning to Great Wood on Thursday 14th March.

The cases of books will arrive as usual and children will be able to look at the books and then bring home a wish list of books they would like to buy. Please be aware that this year's book fair, is only available for children to view in school and is not open to parents.

Books can then be paid for online and distributed by school, once we have received the completed Wish List.

For every £1.00 that we raise at the book sale, school will receive commission, enabling us to extend the school library and reading resources for our children.

Happy Book Hunting!





CASH ONLY EVENT Friday 15th March

Wear red for the day

To raise funds for Comic Relief we invite our children, staff and volunteers to wear something red clothing or Comic Relief attire for the day on Friday 15th March.

Brighten up your day and help children across the world by wearing your most vibrant, red piece of clothing, choose an extraordinary red hat, wear a comic relief nose, or have a red hair day!

For a voluntary donation of just £1.00

All contributions will go directly to Comic Relief and your support is greatly appreciated.



Unfortunately,

we will NOT be selling Red Noses this year.



Red Nose Day Lunch

Fish Fingers or Quorn Hot Dogs With Chips & Beans

Followed by Red N<u>ose Biscuit</u>

Rock, Paper, Scissors Championship



Easter Events





PTFA Non-Uniform Day

On **Monday 11th March**, we will be having an own clothes day to support out PTFA Easter Bingo, which is on Thursday 14th March. Children are welcome to wear their own clothes for the day and are asked to bring a chocolate donation for the bingo.

We would greatly appreciate Easter Eggs, boxes of chocolates, bars of chocolate, chocolate bunnies, chicks, or teddies, or any chocolate goodies that you are able to donate.

So wear your favourite outfit for school and support your PTFA, to help us support you!

<u>Easter Fun</u>

On Friday 22nd March we will be holding an Easter Celebration Day. As part of our Easter Celebration Day our Great Wood children will enjoy an afternoon disco, within school time.

There will be lots of dancing and maybe some games!

All our children are invited to wear their own clothes on this day, don't forget your dancing shoes!



<u>Easter Bingo</u>

Thursday 14th March @ Great Wood School



Doors open at 6.15pm - eyes down at 6.30pm.

Free Entry - Bingo books £1 each (5 games)

Lots of Easter prizes to be won!

Refreshments also provided.

Easter Egg Hunt



This year we will also be having an Easter Egg Hunt during the last week of the Spring term, where the children will be put into teams and set out to solve the mystery clues, that will be hidden around school and the school grounds (weather permitting)! There will be prizes for the winning team and I dare say there might be chocolate involved during the proceedings!

Easter Competition

This year we will be having an Easter creation competition, for our Great Wood children. Your creation is entirely your choice. It could be an Easter Bonnet, a collage, a card, a poster, an Easter scene, a painting, or any other Easter themed creation that springs to mind.

Entries will need to be in school for judging by Monday 18th March, at the latest.

We are sure that our talented children will wow us with their creations and are really looking forward to seeing them.



Great Wood Wrap Around

Great Wood Wrap Around Care, is available if you need it.

We open at 7.30am, until the start of the school day and from 3.30pm until 6pm in the evenings. We still have spaces available, so why not come and join us.

For further details, please contact Gina on 07398634160 or to book your place, please visit your child's Arbor account, under the clubs section.

We hope to see you there, enjoying the fun!



Please <u>do not</u> book holidays during term time, as you risk receiving a penalty notice from the Local Authority if your child does not attend school.



Delicious Treats

We are delighted o tell you that Bluebell Bakes will be returning to Great Wood on Friday 15th March.

The theme for this visit will be Comic Relief and a donation from all sales, will be given to Comic Relief.

We hope you will once again support and enjoy Bluebell Bakes.





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GREAT WOOD WORLD BOOK DAY 2024 RAP COMPETITON!





This year's competition is inspired by MC Grammar!

He is the award-winning teacher and rapper Jacob Mitchell, who went viral in 2019 after a video of him rapping the popular children's book, The Gruffalo, received over 5 million views. He now has an extensive collection of You Tube videos designed to make learning fun!

MC Grammar is a proud ambassador of World Book Day and says that "Mixing the power of music with the magic of books is the coolest combination and an incredible opportunity to get kids excited about books

His song called Reading is Amazing and his World Book Day Song are well worth a look/listen!

If you would like to enter our Great Wood World Book Day Rap Competition, please choose one of the following options to do:

Write a short rap of your own based on a story!

Turn a short section of an existing story into a rap!

You will need to practise/learn your rap and be ready to perform it in front of your class during the week beginning Monday 4th March.

Class winners will get the chance to perform their rap in assembly as part of our World Book Day celebrations on Thursday 7th March.

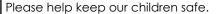
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Car Park

Please may we remind you that no vehicles are allowed onto the staff car park without prior arrangement.







Tuesday 2nd April, 3.15 - 5.15pm

*Dancing *Games £10 *Crafts *prizes

*and of course plenty of chocolate!

spaces are limited and booking is essential, please contact Amy for details 07975740008







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