

EARDISLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Giving Children Roots and Wings



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Value and British Value
for February
Love
(Tolerance & Democracy)

Dear Families

Our HUGE thanks to FOES for their wonderful Christmas present to the school – our Circus Skills day. Everyone had a wonderful time with Tom, our Circus Sensible coach, who taught how to balance peacock feathers, juggle with scarves and walk the tightrope! Expect to see a great deal of juggling practice at home from now on!

And HUGE Congratulations to Lady Hawkins School, which has just heard it has been awarded the OFSTED grade of Good at its recent inspection. The Inspection report states, *'The newly appointed headteacher has given a fresh impetus to the improvement of the school. He has chosen his priorities wisely, and secured the wholehearted support of the school community.'*

Headteacher, Mr Paul Jennings, writes:

A team of inspectors from Ofsted visited Lady Hawkins' School on the 23rd and 24th of January. As Headteacher, it was a real privilege to see how well Lady Hawkins' School performed under Ofsted's intense scrutiny and I was very proud listening to the feedback from the inspectors. The feedback also reflected how well we have pulled together as a whole school community since the previous inspection.

I am delighted to be able to announce that Lady Hawkins' School was rated as 'GOOD', showing significant improvements since the last two inspections in which we were graded as 'requires improvement'. The report, as I hope you will see, reads very well with all four assessed areas being rated as good, which is a tremendous result. It is a strong report and, reassuringly, the only areas for further improvement are areas that we were aware of before the inspection and were already working to address, the actions just need more time to embed fully.

Please take the time to read the report in full as, I believe, it showcases the many strengths which Lady Hawkins' School has, as well as our potential for the future. One of our greatest assets is our students and the lead inspector described them as "delightful" during one meeting, the report going on to say that behaviour, standards of uniform and outcomes are good and that pupils treat staff, visitors and each other with respect. When considered alongside leadership, management and teaching which are all good, we truly have a GOOD school where "progress is accelerating" and is "now strong across the school".

This truly is a time for us to celebrate and to spread our good news, while we continue to move the school forward and build on our achievements.

World Book Day, 1 March 2018

Roll up! Roll up! World Book Day is a celebration! It's a celebration of authors, illustrators, books and (most importantly) it's a celebration of reading. In fact, it's the biggest celebration of its kind, designated by **UNESCO** as a worldwide celebration of books and reading, and marked in over 100 countries all over the world.

This is the 21st year there's been a World Book Day, and on 1st March 2018, children of all ages will come together to appreciate reading. The main aim of World Book Day is to encourage children to explore the pleasures of books and reading by providing them with the opportunity to have a book of their own.

To get us all in book-ish mood we are inviting children to come to school dressed as their favourite book character or to represent a favourite book. We'll be spending the day engaged in book-based learning of all sorts.

We look forward to seeing many of the children at the FOES disco tonight!

With all good wishes

Bridget Knight.

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NOTICES AND INFORMATION



Clubs

Yoga Club –

Parents are invited to watch or join in with their children on Monday 12th February, 3.30 pm. Please come promptly. Georgie will teach you some special techniques to help your child deeply relax and release anxiety and stress. Call Georgie if you need to on 07807550653.

Rugby Club – there is **no** rugby club next week.

Art Club – a new group will be starting next week on 14th February and the following dates: 28th February and 7th March. This group will be Max, Charlotte, Alfie and Finley C, Jake and Ellie W.

and Medusa. Thanks again to all pupils, parents and staff for making the day such a success.

Beech Class Parents

Please don't forget the meeting about Oaker Wood will take place on Friday 2nd March at 3.30 pm in school.

Message from Lucy Blake, Parent Governor

As a newly appointed parent governor I feel it is an excellent opportunity to build a greater understanding of the expectations of our school and how these are met. I have children spanning several levels of education and have often thought I should take the time to become more invested in how their education is provided.

As an early years practitioner I love to see the individual journey that each child takes and the pride they have when they achieve something new. In my day to day practice I consider and plan how to support these children in achieving their potential in their own way. This is something that I think our school provides in some incredible ways. For example, the wonderful pupils to parliament which illustrates to our children the importance of their own voice and opinion.

I am looking forward to spending time within the school and getting to know pupils and staff alike, supporting the wonderful work that is done to continue to provide our children with excellent and varied experiences to support their learning and growth as unique individuals.

**THANK
YOU!**

A huge thank you to everyone who took part in our *NSPCC Number Day 2018* last Friday!

We raised a very respectable £30.00 for the charity as well as taking part in a variety of maths-based activities during the day. All year groups took part in some peer teaching and learning, with Oak Class teaching Rowan Class number facts, and Beech and Willow Classes teaming up to play clock and times table bingo. English lessons focused on learning maths concepts through stories such as *One Is a Snail, Ten Is a Crab*, *Paddington Bear*, and the Greek myth of *Perseus*

Staff Vacancy - Relief Cleaner

Our cleaning staff do a marvellous job dealing with all the challenges that school can throw at them – mud, after school clubs, paint, glitter etc! From time to time we need cover for our cleaners if any of them are absent. Therefore we are asking if there is anyone who would be willing to take on this role? We often require cover at very short notice and only now and again so it would need to be someone who could be flexible. Please contact the office for further details.



What's happening next week?

Monday	Netball Club Yoga Club Computer Club	Thursday	Lucton Cross Country Forest Schools KS1 Street Dance Club Rainbows
Tuesday	Mother & Toddler Group am Football Club	Friday	3.30 Year 6 Parents' Meeting for end of year event.
Wednesday	Swimming Beech Class Art Club KS1 Dance Club		

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Thursday 15 th February pm	Lucton School Cross Country Event
Friday 16 th February	Break up for half term
Friday 2 nd March	Year 6 Women's World Day of Prayer Service – Eardisley Church 1.30 pm
Tuesday 6 th March	Rags 2 Riches Collection – look out all your old clothes!
Thursday 8 th March	FOES Quiz & Curry Night at Ye Old Tavern, Kington
Week beginning 12 th & 19 th March	Parent/Teacher meetings – more details will follow

Information on Norovirus

Norovirus is one of the most common stomach bugs in the UK, causing diarrhoea and vomiting. It's often called the 'winter vomiting bug', as it's more common during winter months, although you can catch it at any time of the year. Norovirus can often be unpleasant, but usually clears up by itself in a few days and those who have it can normally be looked after at home.

Unfortunately, you can get norovirus more than once as the virus is always changing, so your body is unable to build up any long term resistance to it.

You can help prevent the spread of norovirus by:

- Washing hands frequently with household soap, and encouraging children to do the same – especially after going to the toilet. Don't rely on alcohol hand gels, as they do not kill the virus. There's a helpful handwashing film on the [NHS Choices website](#)
- Ensuring any infected child is not sharing things such as toys, blankets, and so on
- Keep any child or adult with norovirus symptoms away from school or work for at least 48 hours after the symptoms have passed – people with Norovirus should also avoid contact with vulnerable adults, such as elderly relatives

Friends Of Eardisley School Invite you To Our

Curry & Quiz Night

@ Ye Old Tavern Kington

Thursday 8th March from 7.30pm

Quiz to start at 8pm

Ticket Prices £6.50pp

Teams of up to 6

Tickets are limited and will be sold on a first come first serve basis.
To avoid disappointment please fill in the slip below and return to
the school office ASAP with the correct fee.

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**We would like to enter the following team into the quiz on
Thursday 8th March. We have enclosed £.....**

**Please contact (Name/Number)
..... when our tickets are ready.**

Team Name:	
1	2
3	4
5	6