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Tansley Primary Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have all enjoyed the half term with your families despite the incredibly wet weather. As this has continued, it has been a pleasure to see the children enjoying splashing happily in all our puddles at school.

We have such a busy half term, with trips, visits, school events and more! This newsletter has all of the key dates and information you need, but for further details, please speak to your child's class teacher or a member of the school office team.

Yours with kind regards

Mrs S Barker

Interim Executive Headteacher

Mount Cook

Elms class have had the most exciting start to the half term, with an activity day at Mount Cook. Miss Longden and myself are proud to say the whole class was complimented on for their resilient have a go attitude and marvellous manners and team working skills. They all enjoyed low ropes activities, bush craft and a zipline. Miss Longden has loaded a range of photographs from the day to the school events page.

Red Nose Day

Our theme for Red Nose Day is own clothes day. The children may come to school how they feel comfortable and best. Miss Whitehead has set up a link to a JustGiving page for the school for Red Nose where you can leave a donation for the Charity. On Red Nose Day, Friday 15th March, children are welcome to wear their red noses in school.

Elms Class Assembly

Parents of Elms class are invited to join us in school on Friday 15th March for a class assembly. We are aware this is also Red Nose Day, so please do still send the children to school in their own clothes for the day. The assembly will start at 9.15am in the school hall.

Willersley Castle Trip

For parents of Year 5 and 6 who did not manage to attend the parental information session, Mrs Lamb has loaded additional information from the session to the Elders class page, so you can access this at home before departure on Monday 18th March.

Key dates:

- **Wednesday 6th March—Building Blocks**
- **Wednesday 6th March—Welly Wednesday Elms**
- **Thursday 7th March World Book Day, come to school in your PJs**
- **Thursday 7th March Book swop in the hall after school and café with FOTS.**
- **Wednesday 13th March—Welly Wednesday Oaks**
- **Friday 15th March Comic Relief, wear own clothes**
- **Friday 15th March—Elms Class assembly at 9.15am**
- **Monday 18th to Wednesday 20th—Year 5 and 6 Residential Trip**
- **Wednesday 20th March—Parent Reader Morning in Oaks**
- **Wednesday 20th March—Building Blocks**
- **Wednesday 20th March—Welly Wednesday Elms**
- **Tuesday 26th March—9.30am. Easter Service in Church.**
- **Wednesday 27th March—Welly Wednesday Oaks**
- **School closes to all pupils on Wednesday 27th March for the Easter holidays**
- **INSET—Thursday 28th March**
- **School re-opens to all pupils on Monday 15th April 2024.**

FOTs - Events and activities for March

Thank you to all the families who have already sent in money for the Mothers Day pop up shop, which will take place this week. To support the children's love of reading, FOTs will also be hosting a cafe after school at the book swap, both of which will take place in the school hall. Entrance to the café and book swap will be via the school playground. This event is Thursday 7th March. As we move towards Easter the children are invited to decorate an egg for a competition. All entries for this decorating competition must be in school for Tuesday 26th March in order that the eggs can be displayed and judged. We have received some marvellous entries in the past, so happy decorating everyone. The final event for the Spring term will be the Easter Egg Hunt on Wednesday 28th March, like last year this will be in the school grounds at the end of the day. Please look out for further details

Parent Reader Mornings in Oaks

Thank you to all the families who attended the first parental reading session of the year. It was lovely to see so many families attend school for the 30 minute session and help their children as early developing readers foster a love of reading. Miss Wholey has organised for the next session to take place on Wednesday 20th March in Oaks class. We look forward to you joining us to share a book with your child.

Mindful March

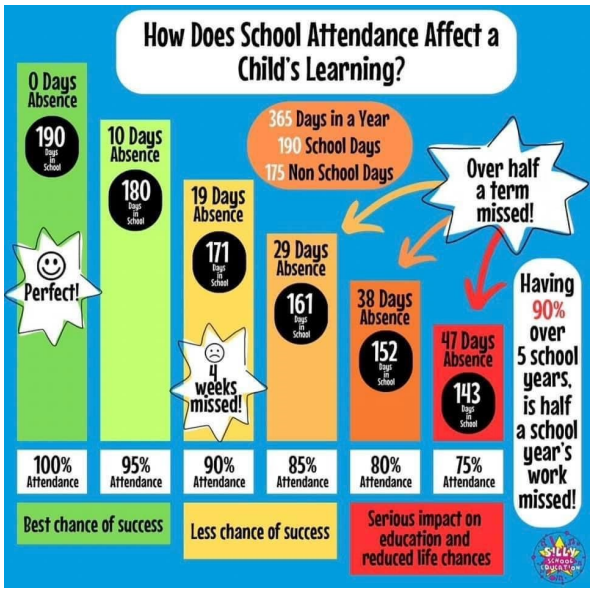
The Action for Happiness calendar this month celebrates Mindful March. Let's pause, breathe and notice, so we can respond more mindfully.

Parent Governor Elections

You may well be aware following lasts weeks Parenthub message, we are looking to recruit two new parent governors. This is a fantastic opportunity to be a part of the school community and the continuing development of this superb village primary school. All nominations need to be received by Miss Whitehead our Clerk to Governors by Thursday 14th March. We look forward to working with you.

British Science week, (STEM—Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths week)

This takes place nationally from the 8th March. As a school we love to take part and widen the childrens' experiences of science and technology. The theme this year is 'Time'. The children will be involved in a number of activities in school next week linked to time and it is also a great excuse for recapping telling the time at home too. Unfortunately following the national pandemic, this is an area we as staff have noticed a number of children have a maths weakness in, especially as reading a clock, using a timetable and calculating differences in time are life skills.

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
94.34%	93.46%	94.34%	95.44%	96.24%	92.67%	95.23%

Thank you to all of you who make the extra effort to be in school on time every day. Please remember school opens at 8.45am and gates and doors close at 9.00am. If your child arrives after 9.00am this is counted as them being late. We do record a reason for lateness and will ask you or your child to give one. It is so important to be on time so children don't miss out on the very start of the day, register and their early morning work.