



The Byword

Key Dates

- Monday 13th March: Thinking of Others Week
- Monday 13th March: World Book Day
- Friday 17th March: Red Nose Day
- Wednesday 29th March: Shakespeare School Festival Year 4
- Friday 31st March: Autism Awareness
- **Friday 31st March: Last day of term Children finish at 1:30pm**
- Monday 3rd- Friday 14th April: Easter Holidays
- Monday 17th April: INSET DAY - School closed
- Friday 21st April: Eid Day - School closed



10th March 2023

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Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope you are all well & have had an enjoyable week.

On Monday, we got to hear all about the Year 4 sleepover which took place last Friday evening. In preparation for their residential trip in Year 5, the children stayed overnight in school & had a fantastic time. They played games, watched a film & enjoyed a chocolate fountain that Syeda kindly brought in!

This week Year 5 & Year 6 went on their residential trips to Gorsefield. They had a BRILLIANT time away & the team were very impressed with how they demonstrated resilience, collaboration, determination & kindness throughout their stay. There are lots of photos below of what they got up!

On Monday we will be celebrating World Book Day & we cannot wait to see the children dressed as their favourite book characters & immersing themselves in amazing stories. Please look out for photos in next week's Byword & on our Twitter page.

Thinking of Others Week also starts on Monday for the children & will finish on Friday with Red Nose Day for Comic Relief. Everyone is encouraged to wear something red to school & we will also have buckets outside the gates for any donations from parents/carers & staff to help to support this important cause and make a difference.

Finally, you will have received an email this week to inform you of the NEU strike action taking place next Wednesday & Thursday. The email outlines which children will be expected to be in school. Please do not hesitate to contact the office if you have any questions & thank you in advance for your support.

Best wishes for the weekend ahead,

Fiona



Spaces for January 2023 until March 2023 are now available!

To sign up, please log on to your ParentPay accounts. Each club space is offered on a first come, first served basis.
Please contact the school office for help with ParentPay.

Monday			
Club House	Nursery - Y6	3:45 - 5:30	All welcome
Drumming Club	Years 3 - Y6	3:45 - 4:45	16 spaces remaining
Basketball Club	Reception - Y2	3:45 - 4:45	17 spaces remaining
Tuesday			
Club House	Nursery - Y6	3:45 - 5:30	All welcome
Football Club	Years 3 - Y6	3:45 - 4:45	Fully booked
			
Wednesday			
Club House	Nursery - Y6	3:45 - 5:30	All welcome
Basketball Club	Years 3 - 6	3:45 - 4:45	10 spaces remaining
Thursday			
Club House	Nursery - Y6	3:45 - 5:30	All welcome
Archery Club	Years 3 - 6	3:45 - 4:45	14 spaces remaining
Cooking Club	Years 2 - 6	3:30 - 5:00	4 spaces remaining
Friday			
Club House	Nursery - Y6	3:45 - 5:30	All welcome
Computing Club	Years 3 - 6	3:45 - 4:45	5 spaces remaining
Tennis/ Table Tennis Club	Years 3 - 6	3:45 - 4:45	18 spaces remaining



Stars of the week

This week:

Y1: Noah, Maymuna & Leo

Y2: Madina

Y3: Taqi, Obonee

Y4: Afsheen & Rafiul

Dining Hall Helper of The Week:

This week:

Y4- Afsheen- well done!

Attendance

This Week:

Y6: 99.33%

Well done Y6!

After School Clubs - Spring 2023

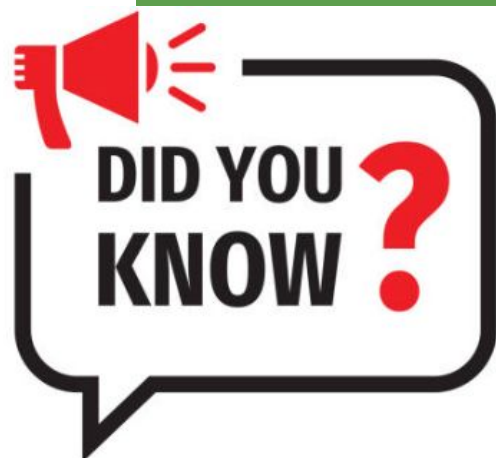
Each club costs £15.00 for the term. Breakfast Club will cost £1.00 per day and Ad-Hoc Club House sessions will cost £1.50 per day.

If you would like to make any changes with the club you have purchased, please let the office know by Monday 16th January 2023.

When you update your contact information (*mobile number/ email*) via the school office, you also need to make the changes on your ParentPay account?

Please login via <https://www.parentpay.com> to check that your ParentPay account has the most up-to-date information.

Contact the school office for any support with ParentPay.



We have the freedom to...
Use our individual voices
Walk in the rain
Jump in muddy puddles
Read!

We have the freedom to...
Say what we want
Sleep whilst dreaming
Play in the park with friends
Dance!

We have the freedom to
Plant grass to grow
Play in the snow
Grab a ball to throw
Laugh!

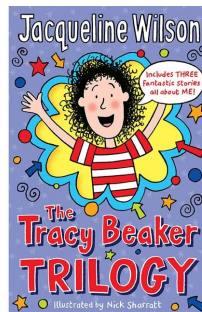
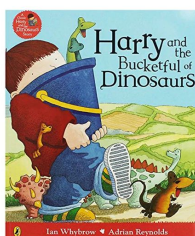
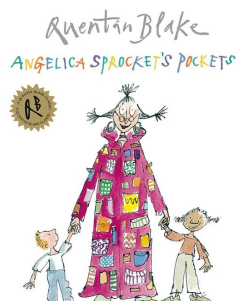
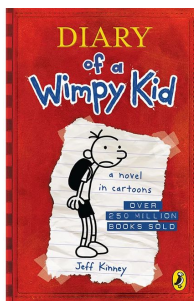
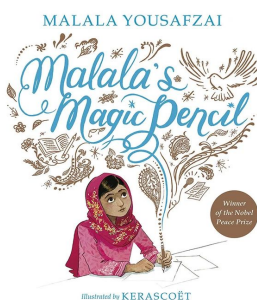
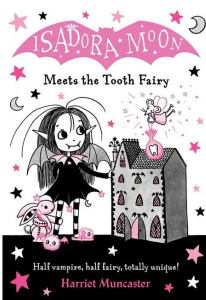
Year 3 Poem

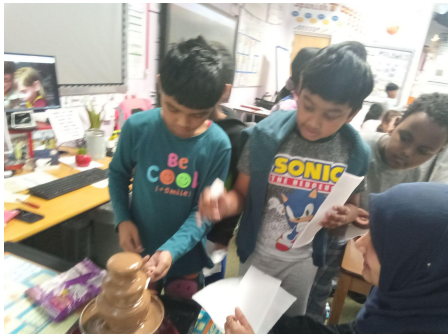
Aliyah, Amaanah and Humaira in Year 3 wrote this beautiful poem following an assembly on the British value of individual liberty.

World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Monday 13th March. This year we would like to invite your child to dress up as a character from a favourite book. We are strongly encouraging all children to wear a homemade costume rather than purchasing an outfit for the day. The costume might just be an accessory or it could be a full outfit. Your child's teacher will have discussed simple dress up ideas with them.

We would like to invite you to attend the Book Day cat walk, which will take place in the hall after morning registration on Monday 13th March, please arrive at 9:00 through the front office. We look forward to seeing you there!





Reception Parents

Thank you to the Reception parents who attended the reading workshop today. We hope that you're feeling confident at supporting your children with their phonics reading books now.

Year 4

On Friday, Year 4 took part in their first residential - a sleepover at school! There were lots of fun activities, including hide and seek, twister and the chance to watch a movie. There was even a chocolate fountain and marshmallows! We had such fun setting up the classroom and enjoyed sharing a delicious breakfast on Saturday morning. All of the children enjoyed the experience and are well prepared for next year's trip to Gorsefield.

Year 5 Gorsefield

Year 5 arrived safely and got ready straight away for a winter walk

The children participated in some team building games in the snow. They played the crate challenge. How fast can they get from one post to the other without touching the ground?

The children were challenged, during more teamwork games, to get an egg from one side of the lawn to the other using a variety of tubes. They were not allowed to move, but had to communicate and were not allowed to drop the egg!



Year 5

Year 5 applied their bike riding skills from their PE lessons by riding off road & around the paths here at Gorsefield.

As liquid sunshine continues to fell from the sky, the children completed more activities! They learnt about safety, making their own bread, cross-country cycling and becoming archers on the archery range!





Day 1

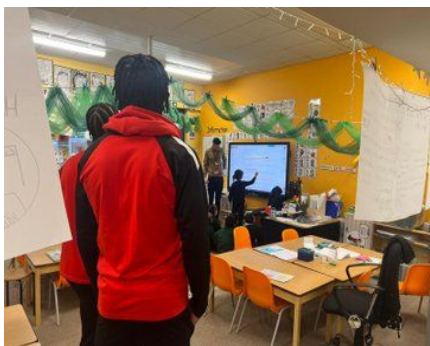
Year 6 arrived safely & took part in team building activities, including a lava swamp, blindfold trail and duck rescue! Then they unpacked & enjoyed a yummy lunch. The children enjoyed a village walk around Gorsefield to visit different historical sites. They went to the windmill, a castle & played in the local park.

Year 6 Gorsefield

Day 2

Year 6 ready were ready to go and start their day after their first night at Gorsefield! They enjoyed a delicious breakfast together and got ready for the day ahead!

They enjoyed the fresh air Gorsefield & honing their cycling skills. Even the teachers were whizzing around!



Year 6 Gorsefield

Year 6 spent their last night going for a night walk and warming up by the campfire. They participated in a variety of activities. On the last morning of their stay at Gorsefield, the year 6 children were joined by Year 5 and went for a lovely walk in the snow.

Leyton Orient Trust

On Wednesday, it was World Maths Day. Leyton Orient players Dan Nkrumah and Emmanuel Harvest visited our school to see the great maths learning happening in KS1. They were so impressed by how confident the children are.

They visited Year 2, where one of the children told our schools lead development coach Sam that, "It's cool they do maths too!" and how he was inspired by them helping him to do more maths. They also visited other classrooms to do some Q&A sessions.





If you have a child aged between 0 and 4, you are welcome to join our stay and play sessions!

When: Every Thursday 2pm-3pm

Where: Bygrove Primary School, nursery classroom

Please enter through the main school office and register your name for each session. We will have a maximum capacity of 15 children (with parents) per session.

Some activities to look forward to:

- Painting
- Sand play
- Water play
- Fun with food
- Musical instruments
- Outdoor play
- Planned adult focus activities each week

Please note that parents must stay with their children during the whole session*



WED 29TH MARCH 7:30 GREENWICH THEATRE

SHAKESPEARE SCHOOLS FESTIVAL

THANK YOU TO THE YEAR 4 PARENTS AND CARERS WHO HAVE GIVEN BACK THEIR CHILD'S PERMISSION SLIP AND FOR THE CONTINUED SUPPORT. THE CHILDREN ARE VERY EXCITED TO SHOW YOU WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN WORKING ON.



RAMADAN CHANGES

The performances will now begin at 7:30. The Greenwich theatre is very happy for you to bring snacks and water into the theatre if you require to break your fast. There will also be a prayer room for parents to use throughout the evening.

TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW! PLEASE PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS FROM THE GREENWICH THEATRE WEBSITE.
[HTTPS://GREENWICHTHEATRE.ORG.UK/](https://greenwichtheatre.org.uk/)

PARENTS GROUP

We would like to have a parents group set up that would meet at the school on Wednesday 29th March at 6:00pm so parents can travel to and back from the theatre together. Please let Jen or the class teacher know if this is something you would be interested in.



JNOBLE@LETTA.ORG.UK

Y4 Shakespeare Performance

On Wednesday 29th March at 7:30, the Year 4 will be performing at Greenwich Theatre.

Parents and carers are now able to purchase the tickets using the direct link that we have provided.

<https://greenwichtheatre.org.uk/events/shakespeare-schools-festival-23/>

Red Nose Day

Next Friday we will be fundraising for Comic Relief & everyone is encouraged to wear something red to school! We will also have buckets outside the gates for any donations from parents/ carers & staff, help us support this important cause and make a difference!

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FRIDAY 17 MARCH

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Hall Hire

Price: £45 per hour
£50 deposit required at booking and only refundable after the event.

Availability: Most weekends and weekdays in the school holidays up until 10pm.

Car Park Space: 6 cars maximum.

8 double tables with benches attached and 40 chairs.
Playground use up until 8pm.

No alcohol allowed.

Please let us know if you would like to hire out the hall for birthdays, Mehndi parties, family gatherings, Eid parties and other events.

Contact Christina Maynard to arrange a viewing via admin@bygrove.org.uk or call 0207 538 4925



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