



# Mattersey Primary School

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# MPS News

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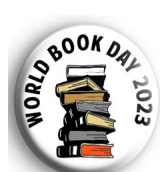


**Welcome back to our pupils and families for the Spring term, part 2!** We've had the first sighting of a daffodil in the school grounds and so the signs of spring are well and truly upon us. We welcome a new pupil to Year 1, Lillie-Mae. She has made a brilliant start to school and we hope she, and her family, will be very happy as part of our Mattersey family.

The Burrow Class and Hive Class have started their **new topics of learning this week**. The Burrow are continuing their work on 'Life on Earth' but with a focus on plants and the geography of the UK. The Hive are also taking a geography focus with their new 'Road Trip USA' topic learning all about North America. As always, we have key texts linked to the topics to support our pupils' reading and the Burrow are enjoying 'Pattan's Pumpkin'-an Indian Flood story by Frane Lessac and Chitra Soundar. The Hive will be studying 'Holes' by Louis Sachar set in the desert in Texas.



We are now in the run up to the SATs tests in May- the compulsory assessments for pupils at the end of a key stage. To support our Year 6 pupils in their preparation, we will be running **Booster Classes after school every Wednesday** and all Year 6 pupils are invited to attend. We are therefore taking a break from the Generation Pound After-school club, however, I am delighted to say that Charlotte will still be coming into school each Wednesday and running Generation Pound as part of enrichment PE for the Burrow Class. Please can Burrow Class pupils now bring PE kit on a Wednesday and a Friday.



**World Book Day:** next Thursday in school, we will be celebrating reading by taking part in World Book Day. Pupils are invited to dress up as their favourite character or author and there will be prizes on offer for the best dressed! This is a non-uniform day for all pupils to raise the profile of reading, so if your child would rather not dress up that is not a problem, they can wear non-uniform and come along to enjoy the day.

**Hive Class: Meet the Artists:** as promised, the Hive Class are very proud to show you their sculptures from their art and design topic.

Pupils researched the work of Spanish artist Joan Miró who's surrealist style inspired them to design and create sculptures that were colourful and flamboyant. Pupils particularly enjoyed using papier-mâché in their abstract designs. Well done Hive Class!



**Swimming Lessons:** Just a reminder that the Hive Class start their swimming lessons next week at Retford Leisure Centre. Our weekly slot is on a Wednesday afternoon. Please don't forget to send back the goggles consent form if your child wishes to wear them. Pupils will need to bring their swimwear and a towel.

## Monday 27 February

Breakfast Club 8:15-8:45am

Food Hub at 2:45pm



## Tuesday 28 February

Breakfast Club 8:15-8:45am

Rotakids Assembly: the Aqua box project

Afterschool Club: Gymnastics (3:15-4:15pm) for Y2 to Y6

## Wednesday 1 March

Breakfast Club 8:15-8:45am

Swimming lessons start for the Hive Class PM

PE Burrow Class PM

Afterschool SATs Booster class for Year 6 (3:30-4:30pm)



## Thursday 2 March

Breakfast Club 8:15-8:45am

World Book Day (pupils may dress up as their favourite character)

KS2 Toots Music Lesson AM with Mr Poole

## Friday 3 March

Breakfast Club 8:15-8:45am

Lunch Club: Kixx Football

Kixx PE for all pupils

After School Club: Kixx (3:15pm-4pm) for all pupils



## Future Dates:

13 March: British Science Week

16 March: Parents Day -1pm to 6:30pm (letter to be sent out nearer the time so parents can book appointments to see their child's teacher)

19 March: Mothering Sunday

17 March: Comic Relief (£1 non uniform day)

31 March: End of the Spring term. School closes for the Easter break

1 May: Bank Holiday

5 May: Nottinghamshire bat Group 'Bat Watch' event

8 May: Additional Bank Holiday for the King's Coronation

W/C 8 May: Year 6 SATS week

*Don't forget to regularly check for updates on Class Dojo and our school website: [www.mattersey.notts.sch.uk](http://www.mattersey.notts.sch.uk)*



**Spring/Summer new Lunch menu:** the new lunch menu has now started. Paper copies have been sent home and a copy posted on Dojo. You can also view the new menu here: [School Jotter - Site \(schooljotter2.com\)](http://School Jotter - Site (schooljotter2.com))



Just a reminder that Mattersey PTFA have an **EasyFundraising** account which is the UK's biggest charity fundraising shopping site. It is simple to use and it is FREE. **How to get started:** Simply go to our website which is registered with them and register your name and email address and get shopping: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/matterseyprimaryschoolptfa> By shopping online through the Easy Fundraising website you will be helping us raise funds. Thank you!

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