

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 2nd February 2024

perseverance

courage

responsibility

Head of School's Message,

Another exciting week of learning at Tolleshunt Darcy School: Class 4 have been writing persuasive texts to Mr Wonka to persuade him to create a new chocolate bar. Class 3 have been planning a voyage story. We cannot wait to read them!

Reading Assemblies: Each Wednesday, I lead an assembly that celebrates reading. We may look at a particular author, model reading or explore exciting new texts. This week, we discussed Jacqueline Wilson and her use of characterisation to make her books feel like 'real life' stories. I set the children a challenge to create a character of their own. They could do a poster or description. A special mention to Sophie - she was the first to create not one, but six exciting characters: 'The Sibling Detectives.' We really enjoyed hearing about them all in assembly; we look forward to reading some more ideas.

Goodbye and good luck: This week, we said a fond farewell to Mrs King (Miss Rollinson) who has been working with us to support lunchtimes and offer emotional support. We wish her well in her new venture – working in a nursery. We thank her for her calm yet encouraging nature. Miss Houlding is kindly going to support our lunchtimes until we have recruited a new lunchtime supervisor. Miss Houlding has been instrumental in supporting the community and we thank her for going over and above for the children.

Class 2: We look forward to welcoming the parents and carers of Class 2 to their sharing assembly on Tuesday 6th February at 2.45pm – we are excited to hear about your learning.

Car park: A polite reminder that the car park is for staff use and for those who have a blue badge or have been given an exceptional circumstance permission from the school. This helps to keep our children safe. Many children come to school on a bus or by taxi and need to walk through the car park – their safety is paramount to us. Thank you for your understanding with this.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Reece



PTFA News:

Thursday
15th
February:

Friendship
Disco

(school hours)

Excellent Punctuality:

Excellent learners attend school on time. We celebrate punctuality. Each week, the class with the top punctuality will be noted below:

Class 2 well done!

truth

friendship

creativity

Stars of the Week: These learners have been awarded a certificate for their outstanding conduct this week:

Class 1:	Ben	Archie	Class 2:	Rosie	Hugo
Class 3:	Montana & Beatrice	Roman	Class 4:	Evie	Jenny

Spring Term Dates:

6th February 2024 - Class 2 Sharing Assembly at 2.45pm

15th February 2024 PTFA Non-Uniform and Disco

13th February 2024 – Open Door 3pm – 3.45pm

19th – 23rd 2024 HALF TERM

1st March 2024 – Parent/Carer Presentation (Miss Reece and Mrs Osborne) 9.10am

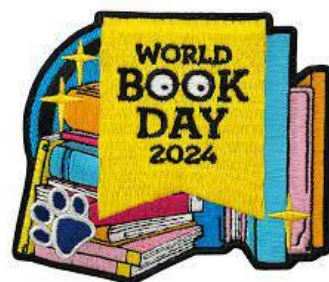
4th March 2024 – PTFA Mother's Day Shop

6th March 2024 – Parent/Carer Learning Conferences

7th March 2024 – World Book Day

World Book Day: Thursday 7th March 2024

On Thursday 7th March, we invite the children to dress up as their favourite book character. Miss Baker will be holding a special assembly to celebrate the event and the class teachers are planning exciting learning (as always!) linked to reading and book characters. We politely ask that football shirts are not worn and that all clothing is safe to wear in school. Thank you.



Dear God, we give thanks to our community that support and protect us. We thank them for their sacrifices to ensure that we have health and happiness. Please help those who are less fortunate than ourselves. Amen.

Safeguarding

We all have a duty to safeguard the children in our care and if the school suspects or knows that a child is at risk of significant harm, we will make a referral to Social Services. The school does not investigate any disclosures that children may make, we are a referring agency. Procedures on safeguarding from the Government make it clear that all staff should operate with an 'it could happen here' approach to any concerns they may have. If you have any concerns about a child please telephone the Essex Child and Families Hub on 0345 603 7627.