

# Abbey Road News

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**Dear Parents/Carers**

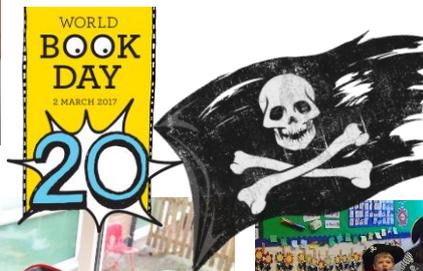
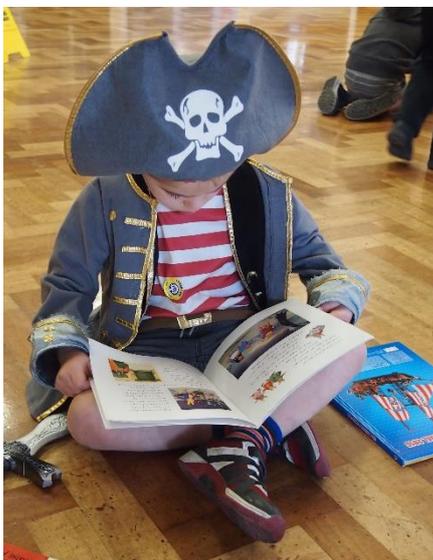
## World Book Day

World Book Day at Abbey Road saw the playground taken over by the friendliest looking bunch of young pirates. They may have been brandishing pistols and cutlasses, sporting tattoos, scars and hooks, but their excited and happy smiles prevented them from looking too scary!

After receiving appropriately piratical storybooks from a rather special treasure chest in our whole school assembly, children made their way back to classes (after sharing their costumes and best pirate poses with everyone!). Giant golden coins of the chocolatey kind were up for grabs as special awards for fabulous literacy work and everyone was raring to go!

The day most definitely inspired the children and inspired some wonderful literacy work. As I made my way around school, I heard all about the kidnapping of Sunshine and Rainbow Bears, I carefully examined lots of very detailed treasure maps in the hope of finding buried treasure, I read and heard some awesome descriptions and stories, I marvelled at classrooms that had been transformed into giant galleons and enjoyed many, many enthusiastic conversations - with pirates big and small - all keen to share their learning.

During the afternoon, our 'Book Swap' took place and, thanks to your support, the hall was filled with so many books waiting for new owners. Children chose new stories for younger brothers and sisters as well as for themselves, and it was lovely to see them browsing and selecting with such care.



## Science Day

Today, we enjoyed a visit from Gizmo's Labs who joined us for our Science Day. Our whole school assembly was filled with colour, slime, smoke, bubbles, fire... and plenty of awe and wonder! In classes, children have continued exploring and investigating with their teachers and the Gizmo's team have worked with some classes in school, making squishy circuits with conductive play-dough and demonstrating the science behind a hoverboard... with children sitting on top!

Some photos from our day have already been posted on twitter and more will appear on our website soon but here is just a small taster of our day.



## Disco Thanks

Massive thanks to members of our HSA and all parent volunteers who helped in organising and running the disco yesterday evening. The children had a lovely time dancing, choosing tattoos and various shades of nail varnish and also eating lots and lots of sweets! The event runs as smoothly as it does as a result of your hard work and it is much appreciated.

## Midday Supervisor Vacancy

We are currently seeking a new Midday Supervisor to join our team of dedicated lunchtime staff who work to support the children during their lunch hour. Hours are 11.55am to 1.10pm, Monday to Friday, term-time only, paid at £7.66 per hour. We would consider job-share arrangements and applications from people seeking only part-time hours.

The duties of a midday supervisor include working together as part of a team to ensure that all children are supervised and looked after in the dining areas and all areas of the school grounds and encouraging children to play appropriate games. We would welcome applications from people who are well organised, conscientious and caring with good behaviour management skills. Experience is not essential but attendance at training sessions would be expected.

If you know of somebody who would be interested in this opportunity, or if this would interest you, please contact our School Business Manager, Gail Hill, to discuss further and to collect an application form and job details. Telephone number: 0115 9748055 or email: [sbm@abbeyroad.notts.sch.uk](mailto:sbm@abbeyroad.notts.sch.uk)

## **Red Nose Day**

Just a reminder that we will be supporting the Comic Relief charity this year with a non-uniform day on **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March**. Children are asked to wear something red or one of the specially designed Red Nose Day t-shirts or other accessories. In exchange, any donation would be very gratefully received on the day.

During the day, our School Council have organised a game for children to have a go at during their lunch hour. The game is called 'Pin the Red Nose on the School Councillor' and you should receive a letter from them providing you with further details. In addition, members of Year 6 have decided that they would like to run a cake stall after school to raise extra funds for the charity and posters have already been designed advertising this.

Red noses proved to be very popular and our school office supply has already sold out - eight boxes full!

## **A Request from our Gardening Club...**

And lastly, Mrs Marshall and Mrs Smith-Adams, who run our Year 2 gardening club, have asked if there are any 'handy' parents or grandparents out there who would be able to spare a little time to repair some of the raised beds in our school gardens. If you are able to help, please contact the school office to let us know. The Year 2 children would be very appreciative as we are approaching planting season and they are very excited about getting lots of new crops into the ground.

**Have a good weekend,**

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