

# Spring Newsletter 5

## What's been happening in school?

In Reception: Classes 1, 2 & 3

The children have enjoyed noticing signs of spring! They have now read the story 'Handa's surprise' and created some detailed drawings using all the bright colours for the fruit. In maths, they have been focusing on the numbers 13, 14, 15 and 16 and exploring number bonds to 10.

In Year 1: Classes 4, 5 & 6

Children have been looking at map symbols and making their own maps of West Bridgford using them. They have learnt about old household items from the Victorian times and compared them to the modern day. In class, they have been reading 'George and the Dragon' and writing some very descriptive explanations of a dragon. In maths, the children have been learning about lengths and using standard measures in centimetres (cm).

In Year 2: Classes 7, 8 & 9

Continuing their work on Mexico the children have been looking at features using maps. Continuing their work on Mexico the children have been looking at features on maps. They have also retold the folktale of 'Cuckoo Cuckoo' in some lovely writing. In maths, they have been learning to tell the time, focusing on quarter to and quarter past. They have collected data and made Pictograms on the computers.



## Things to Remember

Remember to order **school meals** in advance through Evolve <https://www.myevolvehub.com/login>

You need to order 48 hours before the start of the week (midnight Friday night).



We are now using **Arbor** to pay for school items e.g. school visits or PTA events. If you have any issues being able to use this, please contact the office by phone or email.

## Our Assemblies

In the last few weeks, we have been thinking about

### Being Proud

In assembly, we read the Story about 'The Girl who never made any mistakes' and 'Amazing Grace.' We talked about what we are proud of and how we should celebrate these achievements and continually feel proud of who we are!

We also said hello to one of our Shine Brightly Theme Characters - Proud Peacock!



## Science Week

During Science week, Reception have been looking at light and dark. The children brought their own torches from home and made shadow tubes. They also used their torches in dens that they built! The children went outside in pairs and drew around their shadows noticing what happens when their bodies block the sun.



Year 1 have been getting creative with box modelling and making animals out of their boxes. They have looked at different habitats such as the desert, Antarctic and the sea and noticed how different animals adapt to their habitats.



Year 2 have been enjoying planting seeds. The children have planted sunflowers, cress and peas. They will be observing how they grow over time.



## Notifications

**Long Hair-** Please tie your child's hair up for school. This will prevent the spread of headlice; allow your child to take part in PE and stop the distraction to play with hair. It is part of your child's school uniform to have their hair tied up.

**School Play area-** during drop off and pick up times please make sure children do not play on the playground equipment. We are not insured during these times and with it being such a busy part of the day, we would hate for there to be any accidents.

**Please let us know-** If your child has any changes to their medical or dietary needs, please inform the school office and class teacher as well as amending their Arbor account. If there are any big changes in your child's life for example moving house, please let your class teacher know so they can help with any emotional needs.

**Free support for parents** – Please see information regarding courses and groups for parents living with Autism on our website [here](#) and [here](#) (and attached with this newsletter).

## Photo Gallery



Year 2's at Marlborough Court



**Comic Relief**  
Thank you for donating, we have raised **£244** so far!



## Key dates for Spring term & Next Academic Inset Days

Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Reception & Year 2 PTA Disco (after school)
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Red Nose Day- Comic Relief
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2 Mexico Day (see info on Class Dojo)
Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Reception 'Beatfeet' drumming workshop
Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents' Evening (in person)
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Parents' Evening (in person)
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Parents' Evening (in person)
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Last day of Spring Term
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2025	Admin day
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2025	Inset Day
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2025	Inset Day
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2026	Inset Day
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Inset Day