Anston Greenlands Primary School



MARCH NEWSLETTER



Dates for your Diary

MarchFriday 7th
World Book Day – dress as a book character

WB 10th Science Week

Monday 17th Y6 SATs meeting – 5pm *new date*

Wednesday 19th Parents' Evening Parents' Evening

Friday 28th Last day of school – non-uniform – Easter holiday follows

April

Monday 14th First day back at school

Friday 18th School closed – bank holiday (Good Friday)
Monday 21st School closed – bank holiday (Easter Monday)

May

Thursday Ist INSET Day – school closed to children

WB 12th Y6 SATs

Friday 23rd Last day of school – non-uniform – half term holiday follows

June

Monday 2nd
WB 9th
First day back at school
Phonics Screen (YI)

July

Wednesday 2nd
WB 14th
Sports day – afternoon – *provisional date*
Swap shop week – non-uniform all week
Last day of school for children – 2pm finish
INSET day – school closed to children
Wednesday 23rd
INSET day – school closed to children

Staffing Update

We are thrilled to let you know that we have some new staff joining our team! We now have two new teaching assistants – Miss Payne and Mrs Whysall. We've also just appointed a new member of teaching staff – Miss Walker. Miss Walker will be working in Chaffinches on Wednesdays and Thursdays, alongside Mrs. Bratt (who will continue to teach on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays). This change will allow Mrs. Bratt more capacity for her SENDCo role. We are very excited by all three of these appointments. Welcome to the team everyone!

World Book Day

A reminder that tomorrow (Friday 7th March) we're celebrating World Book Day. Children are invited to dress as a book character of their choice for our traditional day of stories and a celebration of all things reading!



Pancake Day

We loved celebrating Pancake Day in school. Children throughout school enjoyed tucking in, and Wrens even had pancake races! Great fun!

SEND Drop-ins

It's been lovely to see so many people making use of our SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities) drop-ins since Mrs Bratt introduced them earlier this year. These will be continuing on the last Wednesday of each month. There's no need to book – if you have any SEND concern about your child, you're welcome to call in and see Mrs Bratt on one of those days. This needn't be for a huge concern; if you just want to chat about anything that's worrying you, please feel free to come and talk to us.



British Science Week BRITISH SCIENCE ASSOCIATION

Science Week

Next week is British Science Week! We can't wait to get stuck into some experiments and investigations. The children will be finding out about the theme on Monday's assembly, but if you'd like a sneak preview, you can read more at www.britishscienceweek.org/. Our children are incredibly inquisitive and always amaze us with their scientific minds. It's sure to be a fascinating week!

Y6 SATs meeting

At 5pm on Monday 17th March, we'll be hosting a brief SATs meeting for Y6 parents. This will be an opportunity to learn more about the tests our children will be taking in May; we encourage parents to attend if possible.

Rewilding Update

Spring is just around the corner, and the second year of our Rewilding Award for schools is underway. This year, we're going to have to think of a rebrand, because there are schools from other parts of Yorkshire joining in! We had a total of 22 schools take part last year, with over half of those achieving the gold award. Altogether, that resulted in $10,000\text{m}^2-20,000\text{m}^2$ of new wild space in Rotherham! If you'd like to know more about the award our school runs, you can read about it at www.forgecpd.com/rotherham-rewilding.



INSET Dates for This Year

A reminder that this year's remaining INSET days are:

Thursday 1st May 2025* Tuesday 22nd July 2025 Wednesday 23rd July 2025

*Previous newsletters have listed this date as TBC – we are now expecting this to go ahead.

