

STAR PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS LETTER

March 2018

Head Teacher's Message

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we are coming to the end of another eventful term at Star, I'd like to take this opportunity to inform parents of some of the amazing work that our pupils and staff have been doing. There has been a real buzz of excitement around the school as children got involved in this terms STEM curriculum. The Fizz Pop assemblies and workshops were a huge hit with pupils and staff with many children telling me that they would love to pursue a career in science one day.

Last week we finally had our much anticipated World Book Day. We were so pleased with the great effort that children (and more importantly parents) made to dress up as book characters. It was really very difficult to choose class winners. A massive thank you to all children for their efforts. Staff at Star also love to get involved to help inspire children and I was very impressed with the co-ordinated efforts of some teams. Have a look on our school website for some photos from the day.

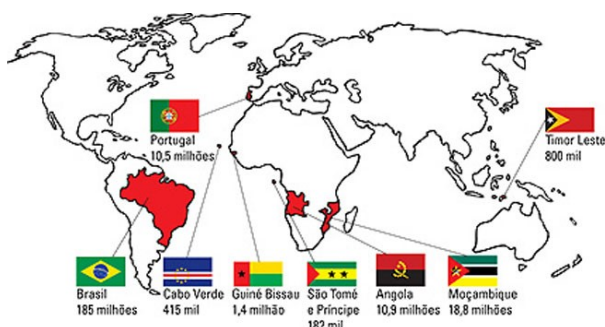
I was very sad to have to close the school for one day during the adverse weather a few weeks ago. This is not a decision that we took lightly. This decision was really made by the parents who kept their children at home even when the school was open. I suspect that these snowy conditions will become more and more common in the future and we will do everything in our power to work around the weather conditions to keep the school open.

Finally, a massive thank you to all those who attended Parents Evening last night. It was very well attended and a great opportunity to share your child's progress in school with you.

Have a wonderful Easter break and please do make sure that your children are saying safe online!
Regards,
Ms Von
Head Teacher

Portuguese Languages Day

We are all very excited about our next languages day on Tuesday, 27th March. Not only will we be enjoying a Portuguese themed lunch on that day, but we will also be having dance workshops, food tasting sessions and Portuguese Language lessons. We have a large group of Portuguese speaking parents at Star and we are really looking forward to embracing this culture and working together on this day. Children (and Staff) will be designing a carnival mask to wear on the day.



Important Dates

Monday 26th March
The BIG Dance

Thursday 29th March
Staff Training Day—
School Closed

Tuesday 27th March

Portuguese Languages Day

30th March—15th April
EASTER HOLIDAYS

Wednesday 28th March
Sports Relief Day
Early School Closure at
1:00pm

16th April
School Re-opens for the
summer term.



Big Dance

On Monday 26th March the entire school will be participating in the Big Dance. Over the last term all children from reception to year 6 have learnt 3 different dance routines the Haka to Rock and Roll to Street dance. The Big Dance is an opportunity for all children to showcase their learning in PE over the last 11 weeks working in collaboration not only with their class but year group and key stage.

At Star we are very excited about our Big Dance performance and demonstrating our enjoyment that we have shared in physical activity, working as a team and being proud of our inclusive approach to PE and learning.

The Big Dance will be filmed and as parents and carers you will have the opportunity to view the Big Dance on the website once it has been edited. Please can we remind you that your child will need the correct PE kit in school on Monday, a white round necked t-shirt, black shorts or jogging bottoms and PE trainers or plimsolls.

Playground Update

We're pleased to announce that the playground developments should be completed after the Easter Break.

Due to health and safety reasons children must not use the playground equipment before and after school as we are unable to provide staff supervision.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.



Sports Relief - Wednesday 28th March

To help raise money for Sports Relief we are inviting children to come to school in sports clothes or dress up as a famous sporting hero for £1.00 on Wednesday 28th March.



Changes to Breakfast Club and 6 O' Clock Club

Parents with children who attend Breakfast Club and 6 O' Clock Club will need to book their child's place in advance via ParentMail.

Any arrears need to be paid to the school office asap.

Outward Bounds

Year 6 recently enjoyed an amazing residential visit to the Lake District. The enjoyed time together which focused on team work, developing leadership skills, building confidence and raising their self-esteem.

They engaged in many team based activities such as gorge walking, ab sailing, canoeing and caving.

