

Upcoming events

Please find a list of diary dates:

28th Feb – 5th Mar – Book Fair
3rd Mar – Year 4 Dance Festival
3rd Mar – WOWSA meeting
6th Mar – World Book Day
7th Mar – Forest School starts for Rowan (AM) and Squirrels (PM)
10th Mar – British Science Week
10th Mar – Mini First Aid for Y1 & Y5
11th Mar - Mini First Aid for Y1 & Y5
11th & 13th Mar – Parents' Evenings
18th Mar – Year 2 to SS Great Britain
20th & 21st Mar – Bikeability for Y4
20th Mar – WOWSA Spring Discos
25th Mar – Y3 production, 1.45pm
26th Mar – Y3 production, 4.30pm
28th Mar – 'Turn Nailsea pink day!'
4th Apr – Last day of term

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22nd Apr – Children return to school
5th May – Bank Holiday
6th May – KS1 Sports Day, 1.00pm
12th May – Year 6 SATS Week
19th May – KS2 Sports Day
23rd May – Break the Rules Day
23rd May – Last day of term

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2nd Jun – INSET Day
3rd Jun – Children return to school

Reminders

Don't forget it is **World Book Day next Thursday (6th March)**. The [World Book Day website](#) has some great ideas for low-cost dressing up costumes as well as some lovely ideas for families to celebrate all things books and reading at home. Do give it a visit!

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Please do come and visit the bookfair before or after school on Monday to Wednesday next week.

Turning Nailsea Pink!

I'm sure many of you are aware of the group of local fundraisers who are planning to turn Nailsea pink between 15th – 30th March in aid of Cancer Research UK. We plan to support and join in with this community effort by inviting the **children to wear something pink to school on Friday 28th March**. Don't worry, we will remind you nearer the time!

The library is finished!

We are absolutely thrilled to announce that The Whiteoak Academies' library is now finished and ready for the important business of reading!

We are so very grateful to WOWSA and to the fantastic fundraising efforts you as a parent body have made over the past couple of years to enable us to create this stunning space where children from all classes will come and enjoy the wonderful array of books on offer.



Thank you also to Miss Flemming and to Mrs Bugler for their vision, perseverance and sheer determination to make this a space that the children of this community will enjoy for many, many years to come. We are also so grateful to West Country Wood Design who really took the time and care to bring the vision to a reality.

If you come to the Bookfair after school next week, we would be delighted to take you up to have a look and to admire the new space!



Parents' Evenings – 11th & 13th March

The booking system for our next set of Parents' Evenings will be the same one used in November and will go 'live' on **Sunday 2nd March at 4.00pm**.

Attached to the newsletter is a booking guide that will take you through the steps needed to book the appointment with each teacher. The office team are on standby to assist on Monday morning but fingers crossed the technology will work beautifully! We look forward to sharing your child's progress with you during those meetings.



Parent Communication

Please find attached a document that clearly sets out the best ways in which you can communicate with school, both in terms of your individual child and regarding wider school events.

It will hopefully clarify when it is best for you to use the main school email, the year group email or when it is just easier to phone us! Please do avoid personal messages about your child going on Studybugs; these are much better going through the year group email.

Thank you again to the parents that met with me in our Parent Communication Focus group a while ago, your views and experiences really did shape this piece of work.

Book Fair

The bookfair is now open and has already attracted quite a lot of visitors! Thank you to the team of WOWSA helpers who are supporting us with the organisation of this (and have already taken over £500 in book sales)! Next week it is open Monday to Wednesday from 8.30 – 8.50am (please come in through the Junior gate) and after school from 3.20 – 3.50pm. Payment can be made in cash (the easiest option) or using the QR code – which does require you to have your card details to hand please.



WOWSA news

Thank you all so much for taking part in our latest Break the Rules day, we raised an amazing £508!

Spring Discos are coming!



Get your tickets for disco, dancing and fun on Thursday 20th March! There are three discos across the evening so check the times for your child's year group when you book. Tickets are available to buy now via the link below:

[WOWSA PTA Events](#)

Resource Base build update

We have been informed that the construction team are not yet in a position to start the site set up for the new build and are now proposing to begin work on site on Monday 10th March. We will communicate changes to site access on the Grove side towards the end of next week.

Have a lovely weekend – we have some sunshine on the way!
Victoria Reyes, Headteacher