

Spring Newsletter 1 2018



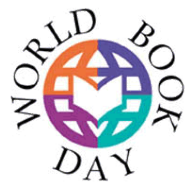
School Grounds Morning January 2018



A massive thank you to everyone who gave up their Saturday morning to come and help with our School Grounds tidy up. We were lucky that the weather held and we achieved such a lot! We couldn't believe how many leaves have gathered in different places. We now just need to get the quad sorted and we will be ready for our spring planting.

Reading Challenge

The children all seem to be very excited about this year's reading challenge - and the chance to earn points and win a prize! If you haven't found it already it should be in book bags. Please do try and support your child to join in as it really will help the children with their reading.



Thank you for your donations towards our Snow White production on Monday 29th January. We are all looking forward to what will be a fantastic production. Children may dress up as character from Sleeping Beauty or wear their own clothes on the day.

This year we will also be taking part in World Book Day on **WEDNESDAY 28TH FEBRUARY**. This is the day before the official World Book Day, but we wanted to do ours on the same day as the Junior School to avoid confusion and this is the day they are able to take part. Children are invited to dress up as a well-known book character on that day. Please ensure that the costume chosen is practical for a full day in school and that appropriate foot wear is worn. There are lots of ideas online for costumes that don't cost the earth or require access to sewing machines or cardboard boxes!



COFFEE AND CHAT

Our next coffee morning for parents will be held on Tuesday 23rd January from 9am - 10.30am in the school hall. This is open to all parents, grandparents and carers. Lisa will be joining us to share some support and ideas around how to develop good bedtime routines.

We would like to congratulate Lisa on her recent marriage - she is now Lisa Noice instead of Lisa Dalglish!

Toys are provided and younger siblings are very welcome.

Lisa is also hoping to start the next session of Triple P parenting courses soon. These are really valuable sessions and open to anyone who is a parent or carer at our school. Please speak to someone in the office if you would like to book a place.

PARKING ISSUES

The Senior Leaders of both of the Hammond Schools recently met with Councillor Pal Hayre to discuss the issues raised by some of our residents around parking. You may be aware that there have recently been some very negative comments made about this issue on social media sites with complaints about where cars are parked and also the behaviour of some of the school community.

As an ex-parent Cllr Hayre understands the situation only too well, and she has promised to discuss ways of addressing the problem at the next council meeting. She has also said that she will try and support us with improving the signage directing visitors to our two schools as there was a recent incident where an ambulance was unable to find its way to the Junior School which was a concern.

In the meantime we ask that you continue to consider our residents when parking outside school. Don't forget that if you have trouble finding a space it is possible to park at the Crofton Pub and walk through the alley way to school.

Thank you.