



Austrey CofE Primary School

~ Community Newsletter ~



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Dear Parents and Carers

As a school we continue to work hard on *improving outcomes* for all learners through the curriculum in school and through the wider things we participate in. The pupils in school *are enjoying the new spelling and handwriting schemes* that have recently been purchased, and these will be evaluated to see if they are having the desired impact.

The Senior Leadership Team has recently *undertaken lesson observations*, the *Chair of Governors*, Mrs Bufton-McCoy has also undertaken a *learning walk* and the *literacy leader has undertaken book sampling with the Deputy Headteacher*.

The maths leader in school is due to *carry out a work sample on reasoning and problem solving* shortly, this is all to ensure that *we are monitoring and evaluating the work taking place in school and to ensure that teaching and learning is at least good*.

Outside of the curriculum our teacher who has been doing her *Forest School training* worked with a group of children on Friday to start clearing the wooded area in readiness for more formal lessons in the summer term.

Best wishes

Lee Kilkenny Headteacher

Meg Griffiths Deputy Headteacher

World Book Day

Just a reminder that we are celebrating WBD on Thursday the 9th and Friday the 10th of March to coincide with the book fair. There will be a *coffee afternoon on the Thursday 2.00-3.15* and a *coffee morning on the Friday 10.00-11.30*.

On the *Friday we would love all pupils, teachers and TAs to dress as their favourite book character*.

As usual we would love you *to donate cakes* for the coffee days either home made or shop bought, the more the merrier. The pupils will all *receive a book token* that they can use towards the purchase of a book.

Lent

Reverend Banks recently visited school to remind the children all *about Lent* and its importance within the Christian calendar. He also suggested to the children that this year for Lent rather than thinking about what *we can give up*, lets think about what *we can offer to others* up to and beyond Easter instead.

Race For Life

A huge thank you to all those pupils who gave to others through their participation in the Race for Life. As ever the generosity of our parents was amazing and Mrs Mander and the whole team thank you from the bottom of our hearts. *PTO*