



# Newsletter 14

22<sup>nd</sup> January 2019

The children had a wonderful time at Broadway Library last Thursday finding out about books and all the things that the library could offer. As well as learning how to use the library, they were able to explore a range of children's books. Everyone had a brilliant time and lots of children said that they wanted to join the library as a result.



Coming up in the next few months, we have some special days in school. Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March is World Book Day and in order to give you as much notice as possible, the theme for this is characters from stories. Please do not go to too much trouble with costumes for this as the more important part of the day will be the activities the children do in class to learn more about books.

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March is Sports Relief day where the children will be taking part in a range of sporting challenges with Miss Kay. They can wear sports kit all day for this.

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March will be Comic Relief day which will be a non-uniform day, in return for a small donation toward this very worthwhile charity. The theme here is crazy clothes so spots, stripes and crazy colour combinations are all good options!

As you will know, last week we were visited by reviewers from Challenge Partners, an organisation that works with schools to ensure improvement. We are pleased to say that we had some very positive feedback about the work that is happening in school and everything that has happened over the past year since we converted to being an academy in the Bengeworth multi-academy trust. The full report will be published later this month and I will share the key points with you which celebrate our successes but also indicate where the school is still developing.



On Friday 18<sup>th</sup>, children from Oak class went to the Genting Arena in Birmingham to perform at the Young Voices concert. The children had worked really hard over the past four months learning all the songs (and dance moves!) so they were ready to perform. It was a very exciting but tiring day but everyone had a great time. The atmosphere in the arena was electric and the children sang their hearts out. I hope all the parents, family and friends enjoyed it – it was certainly a night to remember!



As we head toward the mid-point of the academic year, we thought it might be useful for all parents to have a summary of their child's attendance so far. The summary will provide detail of attendance and lateness. It is important to stress that if your child arrives at school after the register is taken but before 9.00am, they are recorded as late. If they arrive after 9.00am and we have not previously been informed of a reason for this, registers have officially closed and, as is the case in all schools, this is recorded as an unauthorised absence. The summary will be sent out to you at the end of this half term.

### Dates for your diary

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January – First cricket session for Oak and Ash class

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February - Walk-in session – 3.00pm to 3.30pm

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2019 – End of spring term 1

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February – INSET day for teachers

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February – First day of term for children

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day – dressing up as storybook characters

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Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March – Comic Relief – non-uniform day

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April – End of spring term 2