

Hello.

We have had a really eventful week this week in school with World Book Day 2022 and the re-launch of our School Library space. We hope you enjoy this special edition newsletter that showcases activities on Thursday 3rd March. Look out also for information about the Book Fair next week and the forthcoming parent consultations, and how to book in.



**World Book Day 2022.** World Book Day changes lives through a love of books and shared reading. Its mission is to promote reading for pleasure, offering every child and young person the opportunity to have a book of their own. The charity behind World Book Day reports that reading for pleasure is the single biggest indicator of a child's future success – more than their family circumstances, their parents' educational background or their income. It wants to see more children, particularly those from disadvantaged backgrounds, with a life-long habit of reading for pleasure and the improved life chances this brings them. Designated by UNESCO as a worldwide celebration of books and reading, World Book Day is marked in over 100 countries around the globe.

## World Book Day Special Edition Newsletter 4th March 2022

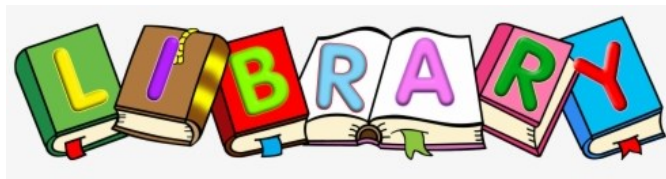
**World Book Day at Wynstream.** Everyone gets involved on WBD, and it's a favourite date in our school calendar. This year was extra special as we also re-launched our new library space on the same day. We hope you enjoy the photo showcase below and on the following pages, with many pictures taken in the fantastic jungle themed school library.



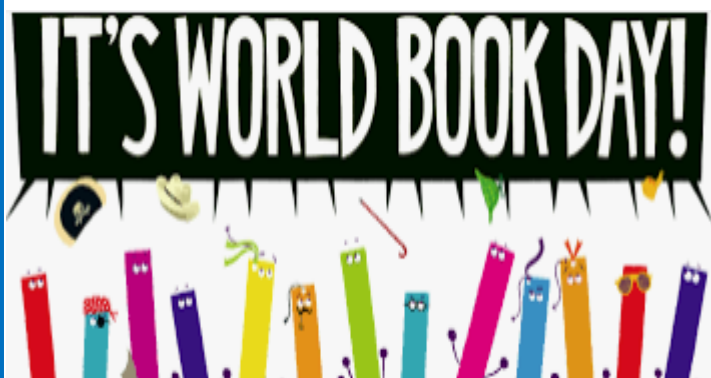








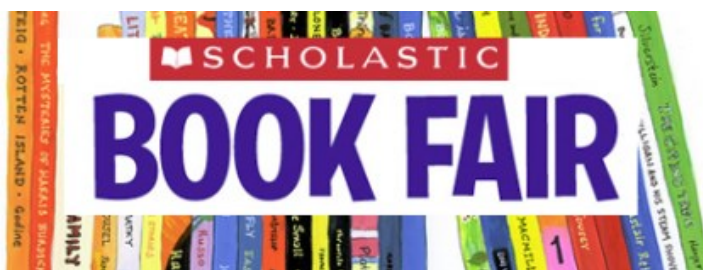
We are very excited that our new library also opened on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, coinciding with World Book Day. The library has been entirely transformed and dressed in a jungle theme. We hope you agree that it looks very inviting. Brand new books have been purchased which also means that surplus/old library books are now available to be selected by pupils and taken home to keep. Encourage your children to take some books away.



**Scholastic Book Fair.** Now we have opened our fantastic new library here is your chance to help us get even more great books on the shelves. The Scholastic Book Fair will be in school next week and for every book that you buy, they will give us a percentage back in books for the library.

It will work a little differently from previous years. To avoid having too many people in school at once, the children will be able to have a look at the books during their library session and write down what they want on a Wish List. They will then bring that home and you can pay online. All the details of how to do this are on the form. If you wish to buy additional books for other siblings for example, the titles are on the website for you to look at, just write the extra books on the form and pay the total amount.

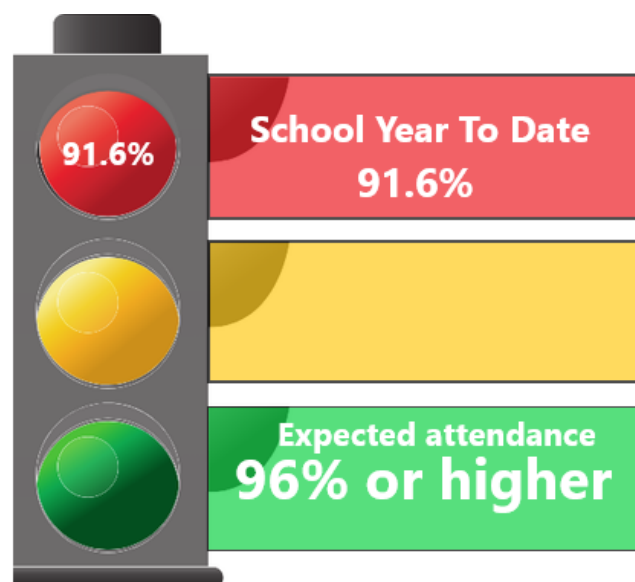
You can use World Book Day vouchers to get £1 off but only one voucher per book. There is no need to send in the voucher. The deadline for payment is Friday 11th March at 4pm. The Wish List then needs to come into school and the children will be given their books the following Monday. If there are more purchases than the books we have got in school, we will order the extras and they will be delivered later in the week. Many thanks in advance for your support!



### School Attendance - Ongoing Reporting.

The information below shows that whole school attendance for the dates between 6th September 2021 and 3rd March 2022 is currently **91.6%, very slightly up**

**from when we reported last time.** This is below the expected attendance rate of **96% or higher.**

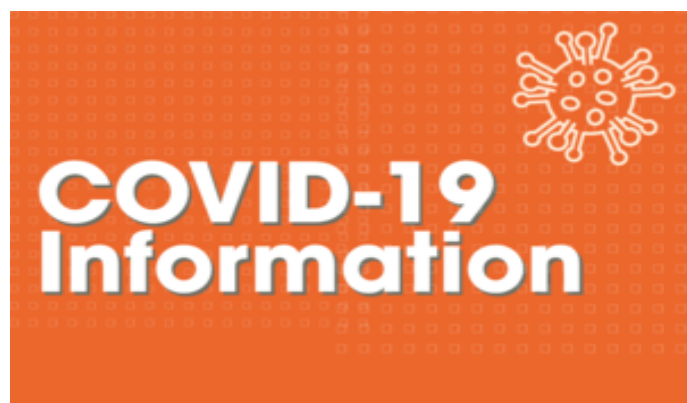


**Parent Consultations.** This year Parent Consultations will be conducted via telephone on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March and Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 for all pupils from Foundation to Year 6. The online booking system will be open on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March for you to book a 10 minute appointment between 3.30 – 5.30pm on either day. A letter will be sent out on Thursday 10th March with booking instructions via Scopay.

It is important to make sure your contact details are up to date on the SIMS Parent App so that your child's class teacher can call you to discuss your child's learning and plan their next steps.

**New School Menu.** A new school menu came into effect at the start of this half term. Please see our website for a copy, or click [here](#).



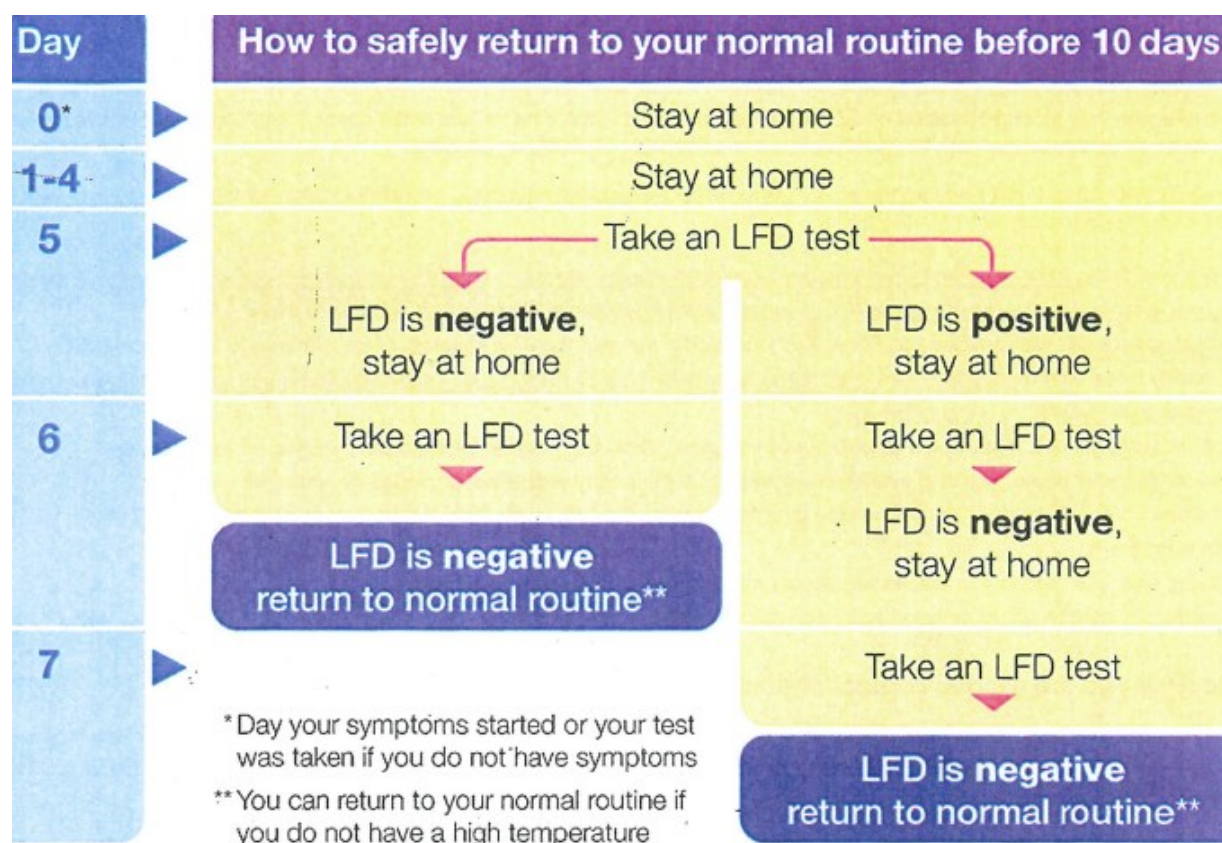


**Covid19 Test reporting.** With changes relating to isolation periods, and the wide use of lateral flow tests to report positive cases, we would like to clarify steps that parents/carers should take in relation to school.

1. In the event of a **lateral flow test or PCR test appearing positive for a pupil** please contact the school and follow the self isolation guidance sent via email on 28th February 2022.

Self isolation guidance is still in place for primary schools in Devon. It is now possible to be released early from the 10 day isolation period providing that the child has 2 x negative lateral flow tests. The 1st test can be no earlier than Day 5, the 2nd test has to be on Day 6, no less than 24 hrs after the 1st test. If the Day 6 test is negative then children can return to school that same day. The flow chart below is helpful in understanding the relevant timeframes.

2. In the event of a **child returning from abroad**, evidence of a Covid test may still be required depending on country visited.



## Headteacher's Award

**Congratulations to** Loughton Portch, Leon Grieve, Ruby Gray, Lilly Bennett, Alfie Warren, Jack Rowe and Emily Wilson.



### **FREE local fruit and veg boxes for Healthy Start recipients in Devon.**

Devon County Council is working with a number of local fruit and veg suppliers to offer up to 3 FREE fruit and veg boxes in March to Devon County Council residents who are recipients of the government's Healthy Start scheme.

In addition to the boxes worth £10 each, customers will also receive a Get a Healthy Start! information booklet, which also contains tasty and nutritious seasonal recipes. After customers have received their free boxes, they can

choose to continue ordering Healthy Start boxes through their local supplier, using their new Healthy Start card .

**How to order.** Families can visit the Devon Food Partnership website (click [here](#)) to find if there is a local supplier in their area and information on how to order.

**Healthy Start is changing.** You may already be aware, but Healthy Start has undergone a national digitisation, and as of the end of March 2022 the paper vouchers will no longer be valid. The paper scheme has been replaced by a digital card, where recipients will be provided with a prepaid Mastercard with PIN. All recipients, even if previously in receipt of the paper vouchers, must re-apply for the new scheme. Eligibility can be checked, and applications completed online on the Healthy Start website.

### **Key School Dates;**

Easter Holidays. Monday 11th April to Friday 22nd April inclusive. First day back in school is Monday 25th April.

May Half Term. Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June inclusive. First day back in school is Monday 6th June.