

# FEBRUARY NEWS



## **EMERGENCY CLOSURE SYSTEM**

Although we have been lucky so far with the weather this winter, we never know what is round the corner so here is a reminder of our emergency closure system:



If the school has to close due to bad weather we will do our best to send you all a text message as soon as possible. It will also always be announced on the local radio and on the school closures website: ([www.schoolclosures.norfolk.gov.uk](http://www.schoolclosures.norfolk.gov.uk))

## **CHARITY BAKE SALE**



Don't forget that the Eco Heroes are running a bake sale in aid of the Australian Bushfire Disaster. This will take place on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February after school in the hall. Every class will be making something for the sale and donations of homemade or shop bought cakes would be much appreciated. Thank you!

## **STAFFING**

Mr Baldwin will be leaving our staff team at half term to take up a position as a TA at another school. We wish him every success in his new role and will miss him at Lodge Lane. We are looking to recruit an MSA to replace Mr Baldwin – please see the Wensum Trust website for details and an application form.

## **PARKING**

We continue to have complaints from Swansgate residents – they are concerned by the number of children running out of the gate at the end of the day who may get knocked over due to the amount of parents who still park there. We will remind children to wait at the gate for you and please could you do this too. Thank you!

## **PLANT TO PLATE**

We are collecting Plant to Plate tokens from the EDP and Norwich Evening News. If we get more than 1000 tokens we will get a gardening pack for school worth £130. The collection box is in reception.



## **FAMILY SUPPORT WORKER**

Don't forget that if you want to contact Rachael, our Family Support Worker, you can email her at [raitken6bra@nsix.org.uk](mailto:raitken6bra@nsix.org.uk)

Rachael is working with a few of our children and has spent time in all classrooms getting to know them so that they feel happy to approach her if they want to. If she is going to work with them regularly she will give them a form for you to sign and return to give your consent.

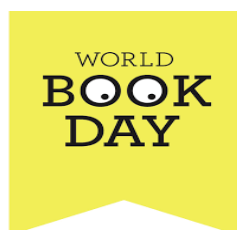
## **ATTENDANCE**

Attendance overall for January was 96.8%

## **PARENT READING**

Don't forget that Parent Reading changes from a Friday to a Tuesday after half term.

## **WORLD BOOK DAY**



We will be celebrating this on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March and children will be able to dress as a book character for the day – more information to follow in the March newsletter.

## **LOST PROPERTY**

We have a huge amount of lost property (un-named) which we will put out at the bake sale this week. Whatever is left at the end will be sorted and anything that is in good condition will be taken to the local charity shop near Morrison's by the Eco Heroes.

Please name your child's clothes so we can avoid having such a build-up of lost property.



## **HALF TERM**

We finish for Half Term on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February and return on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February.

## **BIKES AND SCOOTERS**

Due to a few children being hurt before and after school by children on scooters and bikes, please tell your children to get off their scooter or bike at the gate, and walk it across the playground. We will also tell them this in assembly so they will get it from both angles.



## **NEWS FROM THE PTA**

The 'Friends of Lodge Lane' are excited to tell you that Mrs Hoffbauer and the School Council have sourced new library furnishings so the library will soon be complete. We still have lots of fundraising to do in order to be able to pay for it but the school is kindly going to finance this and we will pay them in instalments. This is fantastic news and means that all the current children will get to make use of this much needed and amazing new facility sooner.

You may have seen from Facebook we have a new fundraiser, an adults only Quiz and Chips night. Following success of our parent crèche and feedback that it is great for the parents to be able to get together and chat, we are going to have an adults only event. It's going to be on 24th April so save the date and book your babysitter! Teams of 8 can enter - if you need help forming the team we can help. It will be bring your own alcohol with soft drinks snacks available to purchase. More information will be sent out in the book bags soon so keep an eye out for the letter.

In our first planning meeting of 2020 we review our recent events as well as planning for the future - glass of wine in hand and a few snacks. It's a friendly and light hearted group. Anyone who is interested in joining us would be very welcome. The committee benefits from new ideas, new people and enthusiasm and without the dedication of the committee we cannot run events or raise funds for the school. Please have a chat to any of the committee, drop us a message on Facebook or email us we are a very small group currently and it would be very sad to have to stop because we don't have the volunteers to keep going.

Our recent purchases...

- Defibrillator and training for staff
- Reading corner furnishings for Topaz class
- White board for Pearl class
- New toys for Reception including kitchen with accessories, dolls house, water tray.

Our email address is [llisfriendsof@gmail.com](mailto:llisfriendsof@gmail.com)

For those that don't know us, the committee are:

Vicki Bowden (parent of Alex in Topaz)  
Hayley Smith (parent of Harry in Topaz)  
Rachel Stimpson (parent of Sophie in Jade)  
Becky Horton (parent of Tabby in Pearl)  
Laura Maxey (ex-parent and current volunteer)  
Gemma Cole (ex-parent and current staff member)  
Sarah Townshend (parent of Baxter in Diamond)  
Trudii Isherwood (parent of Max in Amethyst)  
Victoria Metcalfe (parent of Sydney in Emerald)

Staff members

Beccy Dewing  
Lucy Goodright  
Trina Marshall  
Sharon Corden



## FEBRUARY DIARY DATES

WHEN	WHAT	WHO
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> 3-4 pm	Charity bake sale	All welcome
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup> 9-10am	Y1 family learning	Y1 parents
Weds 12 <sup>th</sup> 9-10 am	YR family learning	Reception parents
Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup> 9-10 am	Y2 family learning	Y2 parents
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup>	Last day	All
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup>	Back to school	All
Tues 25 <sup>th</sup> and every Tuesday from 8.50-9.05 am	Parent Reading	All parents welcome
Weds 26 <sup>th</sup> 4-6 pm	Reception parent/teacher interviews	Reception parents
Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup> 8.30-10 am and 2-3.30pm	Reception parent/teacher interviews	Reception parents

# THE GOLDEN BOOK

Well done to the following children who were in the Golden Book in January

<b>EMERALD CLASS</b>		<b>DIAMOND CLASS</b>	
Sydney		Caleb	
Ariarna		Kai	
Madeline		Joshua	
Finley		Mason	
<b>JADE CLASS</b>	<b>SAPPHIRE CLASS</b>	<b>TOPAZ CLASS</b>	
Alexander	Sean / Millie G	James	
Brooke	Aly	Georgia	
Albie	Rheia	Matilda	
-	Millie P	Leo	
<b>PEARL CLASS</b>	<b>AMETHYST CLASS</b>	<b>MOONSTONE CLASS</b>	
Amelie	Oscar	Filip	
Rosie	Jack	Austin	
Tabitha	Archie	Jack	
Harry	Darcy	-	

Max enjoyed his weekends with Edward G, Jessica D, Millie G and Rowan F

