



Galleywood Infant School

Monday 12th March

Dear Parents,

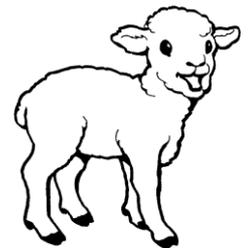
Book Week

In spite of the snowy weather on Thursday 1st March it was fantastic to see all the children dressed as story book characters on World Book Day. We have been notified that due to the bad weather the £1 book vouchers can be exchanged until **Saturday 31st March** to give people extra time to go shopping. There are lots of lovely stories on the website- visit www.worldbookday.com/world-of-stories. Don't forget Mrs Honey's Swap Shop is open every day - come and see what you can find!



Lambing Live

Elizabeth in Squirrels Class has been helping on her family farm and spent most of our Snow Day in the lambing shed! Families are invited to "Come and Meet the Lambs" on Saturday 17th March from 10am-3pm at Great Sir Hughes Farm, West Hanningfield Road, Gt Baddow, CM2 7SZ. Donations from visitors are welcomed on behalf of a charity, the Rare Breeds Survival Trust. This is a really lovely opportunity to see ewes and lambs together, some lambs that are almost a month old and others may only be a few hours old. Everyone is welcome. If you would like further details see the contact number on posters around school.



GIPA Events

This is your last chance to get tickets for the GIPA Quiz Night on Friday. See the GIPA website for details and ask in the office for an order form- we need to place the food order tomorrow.

Tickets are now on sale from the school office for the GIPA Easter Disco on Friday 23rd March from 5-6:30pm.

There's a Sunflower in my Supper



On Thursday, all our Year 2 children will be going to Christchurch in Chelmsford to take part in the Chelmsford and District Infant Music Festival. Mrs Lacey, Mrs Wade and the Yr 2 teachers have been working hard to make sure children know the songs and that a few children know their lines and orchestra parts. Visitor numbers are restricted at Christchurch due to the number of schools taking part but we always do a performance at school and welcome everyone. On Thursday 29th March at 10am the children in Yr2 will have all the acting parts and all the orchestral parts. Hedgehogs and Owls children will help with the singing- we would love you to join us.

Birthday Cards

As you will know we celebrate birthdays as part of our Friday Celebration Assembly. Birthday cards are “recycled” and from time to time my stock of birthday cards runs low. If you have some cards suitable for children aged 5,6 or 7, or suitable for staff birthdays these are always gratefully received. Thank you.

New Playtime Toys

It was exciting in assembly to unpack a huge box of playtime toys. We have invested some of our Sports Premium money in new toys such as space hoppers, swingball, footballs and skipping ropes to make sure that everyone can stay active with something to play with at lunchtimes. These new toys will be kept in our playground locker. If you find anything that has not been put away please bring it to a member of staff; we want everyone to look after our toys and keep them in good condition. Thank you.

Sport Relief

Sport Relief runs from 17-23rd March. There is lots of merchandise available in supermarkets with the sport relief logo and wrist bands are on sale from the school office for £1. We are planning an activity challenge for everyone next week- details on Friday.



Theatre Visit and Rainforest Experience

Teachers at our school spend many hours planning unique and engaging learning themes for your children. Visits and visitors can help to make learning come alive, and whilst we try to provide as many experiences as we can for free we do sometimes need to make a charge to support activities that have a significant cost. On Tuesday 20th March a theatre company with 4 actors will be presenting The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe in school. To launch our new learning theme The Ugly Bug Ball after Easter we have a drama workshop and a Rainforest wildlife experience. We are asking for a contribution of £8 per child to cover the cost of these experiences. Please see the letter in your child’s bookbag for the return slip, or send £8 in a named envelope to the school office by Friday 23rd March. Thank you for your support.

Easter Celebration Dinner

On Wednesday 28th March we have our Easter Celebration Dinner. Please make sure that you return your slip by Monday 19th March if you would like your child to have a school dinner on that day. Copies of the menu and reply slip are available in the office.

