

Scientists come to WEINS



Last month scientists from the Quadram Research Institute here in Norwich, came to teach children in Year 1 and 2 about microbes and gut health, as part of the Science curriculum. Children created their own microbes and developed an understanding of both good and bad bacteria found in the gut. Children were very engaged in the experiments, shared their knowledge and asked lots of questions. The scientists commented on how eager the children were to participate and learn. By the end of the session many children said "I want to be a scientist like you when I grow up" "I love my lab coat, I feel like a real scientist" "some bacteria will keep my tummy healthy and not poorly".

Cathedral Visit



Also last month, Year 2 made a visit to Norwich Anglican Cathedral, as part of the RE curriculum. They learnt about the meaning of Christian symbols, including the importance of light and water in a Christian baptism. The Dean of Norwich Cathedral commented on the children's excellent behaviour and the thoughtful questions and answers they gave.

RHE (Relationships and Health Education) Cafes

The teaching of Relationships and Health Education has been taught in schools for many years, but became compulsory in 2020 in main school. We hope that the 'cafes' held this month, have helped your understanding of why RHE is taught and what is covered in your child's year group. At our school we teach it through regular 'Circle time'. If you have any queries about it, please speak to your child's class teacher.



Family courses

The **Solihull Parenting** course running after half term, is now full, but please let Clare know if you're interested in attending the next one, scheduled for the summer term.

There are still a few places left on the '**Healthy Lunch**' course starting on Wednesday 1st March at 09.15-10.45 in the Roost. If you are interested in attending please let Clare know as soon as possible. Also look out for English, Maths and Story Sack Making courses, coming soon.

Reading for pleasure

We place a strong focus at WEINS, on teaching children to read and to enjoy sharing stories. After half term, we will be inviting families with children in main school, to join their child's class, for a weekly **story sharing session**, at the end of the day. Please look out for further information about which day this will be on and how we are celebrating **World Book Day** in March.



Safer Internet Day

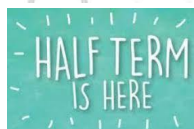


This week we have been taking part in **Safer Internet Day**. The children took part in activities and stories to help them understand how to keep safe online. For the last year, we have been sending out a monthly **Online Safety newsletter**, to keep families up to date with the latest information on how to keep children safe when they are online. If you have any worries about safety online, please come and speak to our **Family Support Worker Clare Glaister**.

Diary Dates



Extra curriculum sports clubs after school (Tues/Wed) Years 1 & 2 Look out for the sign-up sheet at the office if clubs are running.

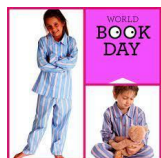


Friday 10th February – Last day of term Nursery & School close at the end of the day



Tuesday 21st February - Nursery & School reopen after half term

(CLOSED Monday 20th February – Staff Training Day)



Friday 3rd March – World Book Day in school (Come to school in pyjamas)



Week beginning 13th March – Children's Learning Review Meetings Year 1 & 2



Friday 17th March RED NOSE DAY Comic Relief



Friday 31st March – Last day of term Nursery & School close at the end of the day for Easter

