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Newsletter: Spring Term 2



Welcome back!

We hope that everyone had an enjoyable break.



Curriculum Overviews for Parents

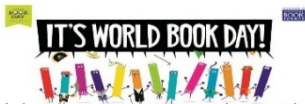
Curriculum overviews have been added to the Class page of the school website, to give parents an outline of work which their child will be covering in class this term. We hope that you will find this informative and helpful. If required, spare copies are also available in the entrance foyer.



Parents' Consultations

We will be holding our mid-year parents' evenings on Tuesday 19th March starting at 3.15 pm - parents will be able to book appointments via ParentMail from 1st March. Appointment times are limited to ensure an opportunity for all parents to meet the Teachers.

This term's parents' consultations is an opportunity to discuss your child's progress and to look at the work they have been doing this year. Parents are advised to arrive 5 minutes before their appointment time to allow time to look at their child's work beforehand, which will be available in the school hall.



World Book Day

To celebrate World Book Day on Thursday 7th March we are going to have a whole week about books! We will be doing lots of different activities and also inviting parents in for reading sessions. Please see attached letter.

We will be sending home a special World Book Day voucher - this voucher can be used to receive £1.00 off a book worth £2.99 or more, or alternatively it may be exchanged for one of the specially produced £1.00 books. (These are listed on the reverse of your voucher).

Online Safety Newsletter

We take online safety very seriously for our children. Please find attached the latest newsletter which is also available on our website (along with previous newsletters) we hope that you find these informative.

Our Values and Vision

As a school, we have been focussing on our school values. This is what guides our behaviour in school. Please support us by talking about our school's values at home.

Our Core Values are: Kindness, Respect, Support, Wellbeing and Success.

Our Vision

Our vision outlines what our pupils will leave our school knowing, being and having done.

- We will nurture our children to become happy, independent, confident and valued individuals who will be able to make healthy, happy relationships with a range of people. They will develop positive personal traits, values and attitudes, which will prepare them for later life experiences.
- We will ensure all of our children experience a broad, rich curriculum, tailored to the unique needs of each individual child.
- Our children will have developed knowledge, understanding and skills across the curriculum by the time they leave us, ensuring that they have the skills necessary for their future success.
- We will focus, in particular, on supporting the development of our children's early communication and language skills, early reading and early mathematics skills, to accelerate their progress and prepare them for the next stage of their education.
- We will enable our children to believe in themselves and be aspirational, to achieve the highest possible standards and be successful.
- We will help our children develop a love of and enthusiasm for learning, where they are proud of themselves and celebrate everyone's achievement.
- We will care for and support everyone within our 'Coalway family', establish good communication and relationships, and work together to provide the best outcomes for all of our children. We will continue to develop the children's understanding of their belonging within the community and the wider world and strive to develop strong successful partnerships beyond the school.
- We will ensure that all children try new things, perform in a show, learn outdoors, including within our beautiful Forest of Dean setting, have experiences within the local community, visit new places and have the opportunity to learn to swim.
- Our children will leave Coalway Infants with positive, happy memories, having had a wealth of experiences and a range of academic, creative, sporting, cultural and spiritual opportunities.


We use our Coalway Bees to help us to learn about good behaviour in school. We follow these daily to help us respect and care for each other, stay safe and happy and learn to work and play co-operatively.

Meet the Coalway Bees... Be kind 

Be supportive 

Be respectful 

Be happy and healthy 

Be the best you can be! 

Summer Term Menu

The 'Caterlink' menu for the Summer term is attached and also available on the school website this runs through until October 2024.

Polite Reminder

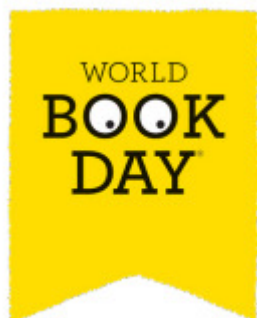
Children can come into their classrooms from 8.35 am where they will read until registration at 8.45 am.

As you will appreciate, this is a very busy time for teachers. If you need to speak to the class teacher, please make an appointment for the end of the school day. Please also support us by not entering the classrooms, at this busy time, whilst the staff are beginning the routine of the school day.

Parking

Some parents have brought to our attention that they are concerned about the safety of their children at pick up and drop off. Please can you support us to keep everyone safe by not dropping off in the school gateway and please ensure you park safely. Thank you.

Easter Break
School finishes at 3.15 pm on Friday 22nd March
Return to school Monday 8th April



Dear Parents/Carers,

World Book Day

To celebrate World Book Day at Coalway Infant School, we will be having a whole book week!

Our aim is to get children reading regularly and develop a love of reading. Throughout the week, the children will be doing lots of reading activities, exploring books and authors.

Book Crowns

World Book Day is on Thursday 7th March. To help celebrate, we will be asking the children to design a book crown. We will provide a strip of card to go around your child's head and they can decorate the crown with their favourite book characters or stories. They can stick things onto the crown, draw or paint. We want them to be as creative as they can. The children will wear their crowns into school on World Book Day with their school uniform as normal and bring in their favourite book to share with their classes too.

Examples of book crowns:



Reading session

As part of World Book Day, we would love you to join us for our morning Reading for Pleasure time. This will be held in your child's classroom from 8.30-9.00am on Thursday 7th March. This is a brilliant opportunity for you to pop into school and share a book with your child from the classroom reading area.

We look forward to seeing you there. If you have any further questions about World Book Day, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Miss Virgo

Changing lives through a love of books and shared reading.

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