

### Swan Lane First School Newsletter

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#### Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 3rd March - Scholastic Book Fair Arrives Wednesday 4th March - 3V Class Assembly Wednesday 4th March - Hot Dog & DVD Night

Thursday 5th March - World Book Day

Wednesday IIth March – Year 3 & 4 Trip to The Hive, Worcester

Friday 13th March - Sport Relief

Wednesday 18th March – 3F Class Assembly

Wednesday 25th to Friday 27th March - Year 5 Malvern Residential

Wednesday 25th March - IG Class Assembly

Thursday 26th March - Professor McGinty Years 3 and 4

#### Poscars

The Friday before half term played host to one of the most anticipated events in the school calendar; The Poscars. Now in its fourth year, the competition has gone from strength to strength. Each class had great fun learning a poem chosen by their teacher. The standard was extremely high, meaning the judges had an incredibly difficult job. In the KSI competition, 2J were victorious, and later on 3V were crowned KS2 winners. As well as class poems, some children had also learned their own poems at home, and it was lovely to hear these recited confidently and clearly. Well done to all children involved, and thank you to parents who assisted the learning of poems at home.

#### Oracy

Another round of Oracy Afternoons took place during the week before half term. It was another fantastic turn-out from parents and carers, so thank you if you were able to attend. It really makes the afternoon a memorable and exciting time for the children when they have a real audience to present to, or work with. We will run our final Oracy Afternoons for this year during the summer term — more details will follow closer to the time.

#### World Book Day

As advised in last month's newsletter, next week will be World Book Week, with World Book Day on Thursday 5th March. The children from each class will be visiting the library during the week, and on Thursday, staff and children will be dressing up as a book character.

Please do not go to a great deal of expense to provide a costume. Lots of tips, ideas and inspiration can be found online should you find yourself struggling!

The Scholastic Book Fair will be visiting this year from Wednesday 4th March - Monday 9th March and we invite you to browse the books on offer, which will be suitable for all ages of children.

## WORLD BOOK DAY

#### Core Values

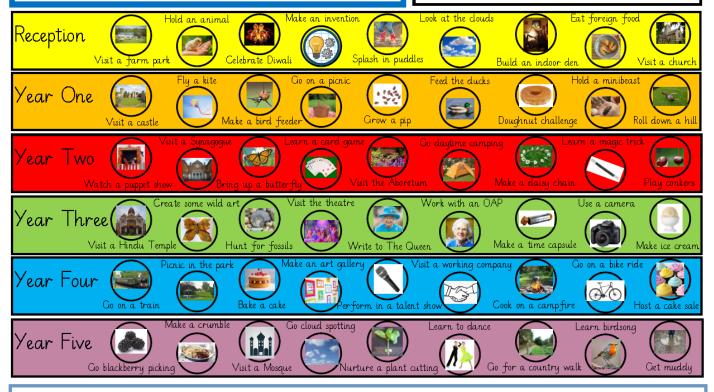
Well done to the children pictured who have demonstrated compassion recently. All teachers have been very impressed with how they have looked out for their friends, and have shown consistent kindness when at school. The children were rewarded with a certificate and an Core Values Badge in a special celebration assembly.





# 50 things to experience at Swan Lane First School

We have worked closely with the pupils and staff to produce a list of activities that we believe every child (and adult) should experience during their time at Swan Lane First School.



50 Things At Swan Lane we are committed to giving the children the best possible experiences. As part of our new curriculum, we have developed '50 Things To Experience at Swan Lane'. The list is designed to promote: positive play, outdoor experiences, life skills and perhaps, most importantly, enjoyment. Each year group has their own set of activities that they will complete during the year at school. Have a look at some of the activities. Are there any that you could try at home? We'd love to see photographs of any of these experiences going on at home. Either send the photos into school with your child or email the school office@swanlanefirstschool.worcs.sch.uk



Art Boards The display boards outside the classrooms have been updated, and are looking great! The focus this time was DT, with the children designing, making and evaluating. If you get the chance, please come and look at the beautiful displays!



