



Friday Flyer – 22nd March 2024

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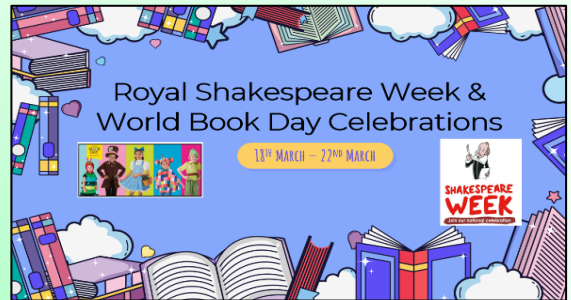
Message from the Leadership Team

ENGLISH

Celebrating Royal Shakespeare Week & World Book Day!

Our vision this week was to bring a love of reading to all our children, encourage them to dig deep into the elements that brings a story to life as well as enabling them to paint a picture in their minds. Through the many rich reading experience that our children have been exposed to this week, we believe the children have been transported to exciting new places.

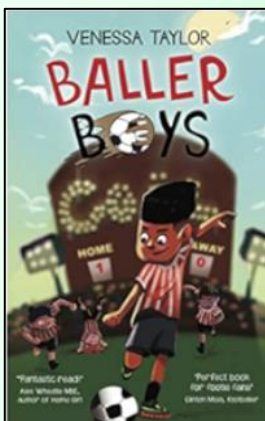
'Reading is dreaming with open eyes!'



"To be, or not to be: that is the question"

Royal Shakespeare and World Book Week has been a wonderful, immersive week, where children's imagination has come to life! To see and hear the children across the school creating story boards, retelling their own stories, making stories in comic strips to quoting lines from Shakespeare: *'To be, or not to be: that is the question,'* are just some of the amazing outcomes of learning our children have created this week.

We have been very lucky to have had two amazing book authors visit our school this week. They were highly complimentary about all our pupils and also impressed with the knowledge and understanding our pupils had about stories at such a young age.



We had the wonderful Sue Hendra, author of the very well-known famous series 'Supertato' for our Reception children. The children created their own story board with Sue and helped her bring new ideas to life.

We were also joined by the amazing Venessa Taylor who worked with all of our pupils in Key Stage 2, inspiring them as writers. Venessa's passion for football and writing was simply contagious and her own personal journey a moving one.

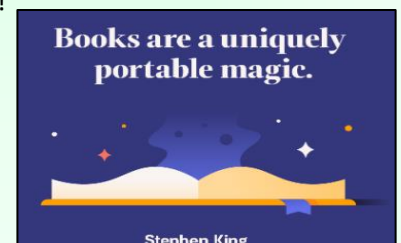
Across the week, children have had many opportunities to explore drama to tell stories. Pupils in Year 1, 2 and 3 took part in a lively, fun Drama Workshop to bring stories to life. All pupils had the opportunity to dress up as their favourite character, prop or setting, as well as take part in the 'Book Swap', which proved a most popular event.

Working in partnership with Queensmead, we had the opportunity for our Year 5 pupils to listen to Harry Potter inspired stories, read and performed by their Sixth Form English students in our atmospheric Hobbit House.

Our Nursery children had a special visit from Hillingdon Library Service where they got to experience a mobile library: selecting a book, going on a treasure hunt and enjoying a new experience altogether. The excitement on their faces as they stepped off the mobile library, with a book in their hand, will be most memorable!

It has been a fully, loaded fun week and we could not have asked for a better week to bring books to life!

"So please, oh please, we beg, we pray, go throw your TV set away, and in its place you can install a lovely bookshelf on the wall." – Roald Dahl



What an eventful week we've had here in school, celebrating Royal Shakespeare week and World Book Day!
Here we share some of the children's most memorable and favourite highlights from across the week:

NURSERY:

Aaliyah (Tigers) – *The Gruffalo was hiding in the pond!*

Zimal (Flamingos) – *I go to the library with my mummy!*



Arjun (Flamingos) – *It was so much fun. I loved the books!* (Mobile Library visit)

Riya (Flamingos) – *In the Mobile Library, we had to look for the hidden bears and spell the word 'Bear'.*

RECEPTION:

Chloe (RB) – *We met Sue Hendra to celebrate World Book Week. She is the author of 'Supertato'! She said that as long as you have an idea you can create a story and we created our very own story boards!*

Iona (RB) – *I created an evil cucumber during our workshop with Sue Hendra. He stole all the food in the supermarket and stopped the escalator from working!*



Violet (RCP) – *We got to meet the author of 'Supertato' and she read to us!*

Zayan (RCP) – *We got to bring in our favourite books to share and show our friends!*

Kyren (RP) – *We made our own stories. It was fun!*

YEAR 1:

Aadhy (1AM) – I made a fantasy storyboard with my friends. I used my imagination!

Zainab (1AM) – I loved the Drama workshop. It was so exciting going on a mission to find the lion with the golden mane!

Seetal (1AM) – I was able to swap a book with a friend. I took home 'The Smeds and the Smoos' which is a great book!



Shriyan (1M) – I like the story 'Whatever Next' because it is funny. They have a picnic on the moon and bumped down the chimney!

Tia (1M) – I loved dressing up as Snow White for Book Week because I got to wear a wig with a bow!

Gigi (1C) – I enjoyed swapping books with my friends!

Sophia (1C) – I have enjoyed reading lots of different books and I liked dressing up as Belle!

Hussain (1C) – I enjoyed reading the story 'Whatever Next'!

YEAR 2:

Jalal (2W) – I loved the drama workshop and the fun moves we learnt!

Anika (2B) – We have made our own bookmarks and created comic strips!

Oliver (2B) – I made a comic book about me. I called it 'Super Oliver'. I had super strength!

Shiyana (2B) – We have used onomatopoeia in our comic books!

Hassan (2K) – I loved dressing up and the food menu on World Book Day was great!



YEAR 3:

Nicole (3KB) – The author Venessa told us about treating each other fairly and how important it is being a good friend!

Kian (3KB) – Venessa said that she writes her books in around 4 to 6 months, which is impressive!

Amelia (3KB) – In Venessa Taylor’s book ‘Baller Boys’, there were two friends that helped each other play football in a match. They were great friends.



Awah & Paaris (3B) – We have really enjoyed learning about the life of William Shakespeare, listening to his plays and reading the Shakespeare inspired picture book by Marcia Williams. We watched a video Marcia made about creative journalling and we were inspired to create our own Shakespeare journals. It was sooo much fun!!!



YEAR 4:

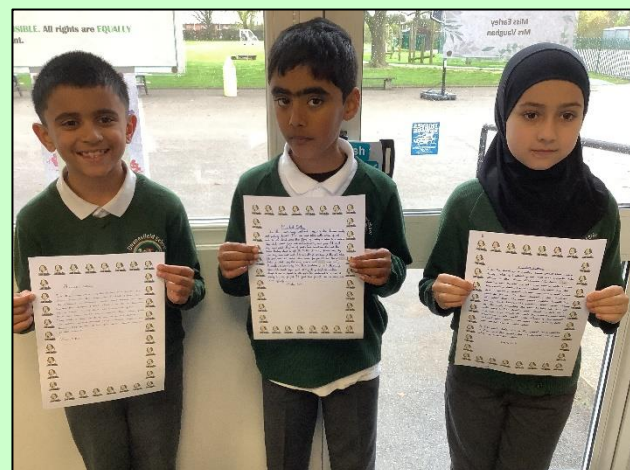
Nawal (4F) – I enjoyed swapping books with my classmates. This was such a great idea and didn’t cost us anything. The author workshop with Venessa Taylor was great fun and I’m looking forward to reading her books as we have some in our school library now!



Rosie (4EV) – I enjoyed dressing up as a character from Harry Potter and sharing my book ideas. It’s been a great week and I have enjoyed all of the reading we have been doing!

Shay (4EV) – I liked sharing different books and learning about the William Shakespeare play called Macbeth. It was fascinating and exciting!

Mateen (4EV) – I really enjoyed World Book Day this year because it was about William Shakespeare’s plays. They are really great stories with interesting characters!



Sophia (4F) – My highlight of the week was dressing up as a book character but the Shakespeare’s play Macbeth was also awesome!

Nicolas (4F) – I liked dressing up and swapping books. We had a chance to do lots of reading and learning about what my classmates likes to read-I got some great ideas for my own reading!



YEAR 5:

Thea (5R), Ella (5T) & Olivia (5L) – We went on a scavenger hunt to learn about the different works of Shakespeare and this was great fun! Did you know that he wrote 38 plays and we are still reading them today, 450 years later! The author Venessa Taylor was inspiring because she is so inclusive!

Burhan & Hannah (5T) – We loved swapping and trading our books and sharing our favourite authors and genres with one another. It was great fun figuring out what people’s favourite books and characters were. The best part was this didn’t cost us money! Another highlight was Queensmead Sixth form English students reading dramatic extracts from Harry Potter in our Hobbit House and they were really great!



Sophia-Loren (5T) & Smaran (5R)

– We learnt about ‘Creative Cartooning’ with Horrible Histories Artist, Martin Brown. We enjoyed creating our own characters and being imaginative! Learning about William Shakespeare and his plays was simply the best!



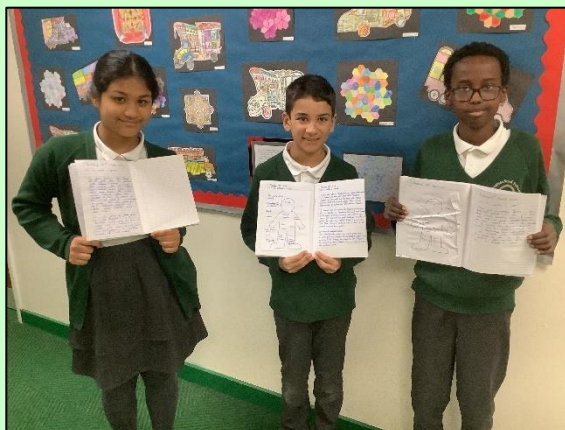
YEAR 6:

Shivam & Aliza (6K), Sophia & Will (6FC) – We liked dressing up as different characters such as Sherlock Holmes and Alice in Wonderland and we enjoyed looking at other children’s creative costumes. We took a great class photo together too-happy memories of our fantastic school!

Tariq (6K) & Benham (6FC) – We liked the way children expressed themselves and the book swap was a great idea because we got the chance to read a different book and discover why other people enjoyed their book so much too. It opened our eyes to different genres and different authors!

Evelyn & Wesam (6F) – We enjoyed World Book Week and Shakespeare Week because it is so important to read to develop our learning and gain more knowledge. The plays of William Shakespeare have inspired us with our own writing. We watched a clip by Michael Rosen, who encouraged us to use language for effect, just as William Shakespeare did. We learnt so very much!

Faiza (6F) – A highlight of the week for me was meeting the author Venessa Taylor and learning about the wonderful ideas in her books. I really enjoyed listening to a chapter of her book and I am excited to read her new series. We have some of her books in our school library and I can’t wait to read them!



Reminder: Next Week's End of Term 'Catch-Up' Arrangements



Reception – Year 6: End of Term Catch-Up Calls

Don't forget, **next Tuesday 26th March**, our parents / carers of children in **Reception – Year 6** will receive an 'End of Term Catch-Up Call' from your child's class teacher.

Please be advised that calls will be made between 3.30pm – 6.30pm and will be allocated 5 minutes each.
Please also note that the calls may show as being from a private number or 'no caller ID'.

Nursery: End of Spring Term 'Catch-Up' Meetings

Parents and carers of children in **Nursery** have been offered the opportunity to 'catch-up' with your child's Keyworker, with full details about the arrangements provided in letter sent home last week.



If you haven't already booked your appointment but would still like to do so, please contact the school office via admin@deanesfieldschool.org.uk as soon as possible.

Reminder: End of Spring Term Activity Clubs / Sports Clubs

Please be reminded that **all after school enrichment clubs have now finished for this term.**

With the exception of our After School Care Club, there will be no other activity clubs or sports training sessions taking place after school next week.



If your child was booked into the After School Care Club on any day that they've attended an activity club this half term, please be advised that the respective credit has been applied to on your childcare booking account.

We hope the children have enjoyed the activities and look forward to releasing information about our planned Summer term clubs very soon!



Reminder: 'Grab & Go' Lunch Orders – Thursday 28th March



As communicated yesterday, there will be no hot dinners being served on the last day of term. Instead, we will be offering the children a 'Grab & Go' lunch, including a sandwich with a choice of filling from chicken, egg, tuna or cheese, with cucumber and carrot sticks, a cookie and a drink.

All meals must be pre-ordered. Therefore, you haven't already done so and would like your child to have a school provided lunch next Thursday, **please complete the following Google form to select your child's preferred sandwich filling by no later than 12pm (noon) next Monday, 25th March:**

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe1hjxMCRnZaCyUXjQlr9o62VH6Cup_ntqWwSj89ZKvzlwU0A/vi ewform?usp=sf link

As advised, only children who arrive to school with a packed lunch or have ordered a 'Grab and Go' lunch by Monday's deadline will eat a meal in school before being dismissed. Therefore, if an order is not placed and your child does not bring in a packed lunch, we will assume you have made your own lunch arrangements for your child after collecting them at the earlier time of 1pm.

Reminder: 'Pre-loved Uniform' Sale - Thursday 28th March

Don't forget, we will be holding an end of term 'Pre-Loved Uniform' sale on the last day of term between **12.45pm – 1.30pm** in our Assembly Hall, where families can purchase school clothing greatly reduced from retail costs on a first-come, first-served basis, for a small contribution (suggested donations as shown opposite).

We currently have a large number of girl's checked green summer dresses, so pop along if you are looking to purchase these ready for the summer term.



Further details about our pre-loved uniform can be found on the ['Uniform' page of our website](#), under the 'Wider School Life' tab.

To keep these sales running, if you have any items (specifically Deanesfield cardigans and jumpers) that your child has outgrown and are still in good condition that you are able to donate to benefit other families, please wash/clean them and hand them into our School Office. Thank you!



Suggested Donation Prices

Deanesfield cardigan	£3
Deanesfield jumper	£3
Grey school trousers	£2
Grey school skirts/pinafore dress	£2
White polo shirt/shirt	50p

Summer Term Weekly Lunch Menus



The new weekly menu and allergens sheet for the Summer term are now available and can be found on the ['Lunch Menus' page on our website](#) (under the 'Wider School Life' tab).

Parents are encouraged to actively engage in viewing the weekly menus with their child and discuss suitable preferences from the options available. Wherever possible, the school will always endeavour to provide your child with their first choice.

If you choose to send your child to school with a packed lunch, please be reminded that to help promote healthy eating, sweets or chocolate bars are not permitted. We also request that parents **do not send in any items containing nuts** to help ensure the safety of our children with allergies.



Breakfast & After School Care Club Bookings – Summer Term 1 Bookings Open

For parents / carers who access our Breakfast and After School Care Club provision, please be reminded that to take advantage of our 'Early Bird' rates for any bookings made for the first half of the Summer term, as well as booking any required sessions required in the first week back (15th – 19th April 2024), **you must book by no later than Friday 12th April (12pm noon).**



All places are subject to availability and are being offered on a first come, first served basis.

If you experience any issues, please e-mail admin@deanesfieldschool.org.uk.

Reminder – End of Spring Term Arrangements



Wednesday 27th March – Nursery End of Term

Nursery will finish for all children next **Wednesday 27th March.**

Nursery will be **closed on Thursday 28th March.**

Thursday 28th March – School End of Term (at 1.00pm)

For the rest of the school, children will finish school next **Thursday 28th March.** Please ensure that you collect your child / children **at the earlier time of 1pm.**