



Dear Rumboldswyke families,

I cannot believe we have reached the end of the penultimate week of the Half Term. It has been full of opportunities and experiences. I want to specifically highlight Green Class' Ted Talk Experience. Some Year 5/6 children from across the Bishop Luffa Learning Partnership met at Bishop Luffa School to have their new learning experience introduced to them.

They have been tasked with writing their own Ted Talk: a showcase for speakers to share their great well-informed ideas.



As part of the introduction, they were introduced to 7 year old Molly Wright. The youngest person ever to record a Ted Talk. What she said had me hooked and I think it is something every parent should watch. As a parent, I understand the impact of too much screen time on my child's mental health. I try to avoid allowing games / screen time before school and make sure she does not access it at least an hour before bedtime. I am also vigilant to what my child accesses online, however, this Ted Talk made me reflect on my own choices, my availability as a parent, and the impact this has on my child's self regulation and their social / emotional connectedness.

https://www.ted.com/talks/molly_wright_how_every_child_can_thrive_by_five



I was really inspired by Molly but that inspiration did not prepare me for the utter joy and sense of pride I felt when I had the pleasure of teaching Green Class on Tuesday morning. They are part way through writing their own Ted Talks, which are incredible. I cannot wait to see the finished presentations.

School Uniform:

Thank you to the huge majority of you who ensure your child / children arrives each day wearing the specified school uniform.

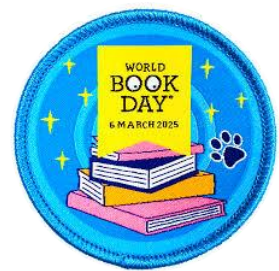
Children are allowed to wear trainers on P.E. days **only**.

Boots are **not** part of our school uniform policy.

One last request; if your child wears laces and cannot tie their shoelaces, please spend time practising this with them. I am sure you appreciate, it can be extremely time consuming to tie and retie 30+ pairs of shoelaces.

World Book Day – 6th March

It's that time of year again when we start thinking about World Book Day and dressing up and sharing new stories and celebrating everything we love about books.



This year on 6th of March we have decided to have a focus on poetry.

During the day children will be writing and performing poems, then ending the day with a Poetry Slam.

To stimulate book talk and activities for the day we are asking children to bring in a homemade prop from their favourite book. This can be as simple as a red party hat from 'I want my hat back', a wand from Harry Potter or a pack of crayons from 'The day the crayons quit'. The more creative the better.

If you would like to join in the celebrations please contact Mrs Gilbert and she will book you a slot in our poetry slam.



Other upcoming events:

Blue & Yellow Class's Gallery event:

This Monday, 10th February, Blue & Yellow class will be holding a gallery event, showcasing some of their artwork from this term. Parents are invited to come and see their child's work after school at 3:15pm.



We would also like to use this event to raise funds to enhance our 'soon to be' shared outdoor learning environment and as such, there will be an opportunity for parents to buy one piece of their child's artwork which will be presented in a frame. Please see previous emails for further details.

Red Class 'African Extravaganza':

Next week Red Class will be joined by a very special visitor, and will spend the day participating in various African based workshops such as Adrinka painting, storytelling, dance and drumming.



Just a reminder for parents of Red Class children to log onto their Arbor Parent Portal to make payment and give consent to their child to participate in this exciting event.

To celebrate their learning, we would also like to invite Red Class parents in to join us at the end of the day at 3pm, when the children will have an opportunity to share with you some of the things they have learnt and experienced.

Reminders:

Parent's Evening:

Just a reminder that our first of two Parent's Evening sessions is coming up this Thursday, 13th February.

If you have not yet booked an appointment to see your child's class teacher, please do so through the Arbor Parent Portal as soon as possible.

With warmest wishes,
Lisa Harris



February 2025

10 th Feb	Yr 3 Swimming Blue & Yellow Class Gallery event (3:15pm)
11 th Feb	Multisports Club (Yrs 1-3)
12 th Feb	Red Class African Activities Day Football Club (Yr 4-6) Dance Club
13 th Feb	Football Club (Yr 1-3) Parents Evening
17 th – 21 st Feb	Half Term Break
25 th Feb	Multisports Club (Yrs 1-3)
26 th Feb	Football Club (Yr 4-6) Dance Club Parents Evening
27 th Feb	Football Club (Yr 1-3)

March 2025

3 rd March	School Photos (please note their will be no Year 3 swimming lessons on this day).
4 th March	Multisports Club (Yrs 1-3)
5 th March	Football Club (Yr 4-6) Dance Club
6 th March	Football Club (Yr 1-3)
10 th March	Yellow Class Trip (more details to follow) Yr 3 Swimming
11 th March	Multisports Club (Yrs 1-3)
12 th March	Football Club (Yr 4-6) Dance Club
13 th March	Football Club (Yr 1-3)
17 th March	Yr 3 Swimming
18 th March	Multisports Club (Yrs 1-3)
19 th March	Football Club (Yr 4-6) Dance Club



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20 th March	Football Club (Yr 1-3)
24 th March	Yr 3 Swimming
25 th March	Multisports Club (Yrs 1-3)
26 th March	Football Club (Yr 4-6) Dance Club
26 th – 29 th March	Year 5&6 Residential @ Cobnor Activity Centre
27 th March	Football Club (Yr 1-3)
31 st March	Blue Class Trip (more details to follow) Yr 3 Swimming

April 2025

1 st April	Multisports Club (Yrs 1-3)
2 nd April	Football Club (Yr 4-6) Dance Club
3 rd April	Football Club (Yr 1-3)
7 th – 18 th April	Easter Holidays
21 st April	Easter Monday (School closed)
22 nd April	First day back for Summer Term

Term Dates

Autumn Term 2024

Monday 2nd September – Friday 20th December
Half Term - Monday 28th – Friday 1st November

INSET Day Monday 2nd September – children not in school

Children's first day of school will be Tuesday 3rd September

INSET Day Monday 21st October – children not in school

Spring Term 2025

Monday 6th January – Friday 4th April
Half Term – Monday 17th – Friday 21st February

INSET Day Monday 6th January – children not in school
INSET Day Thursday 30th January – children not in school

Summer Term 2025

Tuesday 22nd April – Tuesday 22nd July
Half Term – Monday 26th – Friday 30th May

Please note we are still in the process of organising the remaining INSET day for this academic year and will share this date with you as soon as we can.

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