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'Caring, Believing, Achieving'

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Today we said farewell to Mrs Hartshorn who has worked at Hatherop for 29 years! We thank her for her service and wish her all the best as she retires. It sounds like her family might keep her busy, but we do hope she gets some well-earned rest too!



This term our value is Justice. Please see the accompanying newsletter and share it with your child/ren. So far in worship, we have learnt about how it is sometimes really difficult to ensure that things are always fair and that it is important to hear both sides of the story so that we can make an informed decision. We are trying to remember this and apply it in class and on the playground.

Drum Lessons: Tim Downes-Hall teaches Drum lessons at school on a Thursday afternoon. If your child is interested in learning how to play, please email timd-hdrums@hotmail.co.uk for more information.

Safer Internet Day

Children were asked to create a poster to help celebrate Safer Internet Day that took place on **Tuesday, 6 February 2024**. The posters aim to raise awareness of a safer and better internet for all.



Cooking Club

Cooking club is so much fun because, not only is the food nice, but it is even MORE fun making it! I enjoy it because Miss Grierson is so good at it and is an excellent 'director'! **By Maggie Y4**



Cross Country

Cross country season is definitely upon us, with so many opportunities for the children to attend an event. It started with the county qualifiers held at Far Peak. Following this, 2 of our pupils, Heath and Otis ran in the county competition both coming in an amazing 8th position in their respective age groups. This means that they have qualified for nationals and we wish them all the best and look forward to hearing the results!



On Monday, many of our Key Stage 2 pupils went to Deer Park to take part in the cross country races there, and although there was some confusion over start times, which meant that some children missed their races, they were highly commended on their fantastic sportsmanship and kindness! We look forward to next weeks races and would like to thank all the supporters!

Skylark Class Cake Sale

In February, as part of our topic 'Taking care of the world and each other', we held a cake sale in aid of The Cotswold Cats and Dogs Home. We baked the cakes and sold them to the rest of the school raising a fantastic £110!



Year 4 Trip

Last Friday, as part of our Geography work, Year 4 went on a walk around the local area. Along the way we managed to do some sketching and complete some activities, despite our cold hands! On our way back, we stopped in Coln Stores and had a chat with Philip the manager about what it is like to work there. Thank you to Mrs Legg for coming with us.



World Book Day

World Book Day is taking place this year on Thursday 7th March. On this day, we are inviting the children to come to school dressed as a favourite character from a book they know well. It would be fantastic if they could bring a copy of their chosen book with them to share with the rest of the class. Please re-use and recycle any household items and clothes to recreate your costumes- we are not expecting shop-bought perfection!

KS1 Author Visit

This afternoon Year R,1 and 2 were treated to a visit from Penny Wright, the author of Pippin and the Medicine. She read her books to the group and shared her experience of how she came up with her ideas, encouraging the children to be authors themselves! She also kindly left a copy of each of her books here for us to enjoy.



Red Nose Day

Red Nose Day is back on Friday 15 March 2024! It's that time of year when we do something to fight poverty through humour and fun, for communities here in the UK and around the world. We invite everyone to **Wear Something Red** and make a donation to comic relief. Donations should be made on **ParentPay** using the following link: <https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=13853>

All the money raised will go to incredible projects and organisations that are making a difference for people across the UK and around the world.

Dates for the Diary:

1 st March	Secondary School Allocation Day Author Visit KS1
4 th March	KS2 Cross Country
7 th March	World Book Day
8 th March	Rags2Riches Collection
15 th March	School Beat Officer visit Red Nose Day – Wear Something Red.
22 nd March	End of Term – 2pm
25 th April	Skylark – Map Work at Lea Wood
23 rd May	Kingfisher – Plants at Lea Wood
4 th June	Year 4 – Living Things at Lea Wood
6 th June	Skylark – Plants at Lea Wood
4 th July	Red Kite – Living Things at Lea Wood
11 th July	Year 4 – River, Fairford