



SMITHDOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Together We Grow

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Message from the Headteacher

This week and next week we have our parent / carer meetings. We have tried to ensure you have a suitable time and if you have more than one child, that you are able to see both teachers without a big gap.

These meetings are essential, informing you of your child's progress and targets. Teachers expect to see all parents/carers of all children on these nights.

If you are unable to attend, please see the class teacher who may be able to find an alternative time.

World Book Day—Thursday 7th March



A huge thank you to all our families who have donated a book via the Amazon wish list.

Rather than buying a costume, we are asking families to donate a book. If you can help, the easiest way is to click on the link from

 @SmithdownPr

Or go to [Amazon.co.uk](https://www.amazon.co.uk) and search for Smithdown under 'accounts and lists.'



We will be selling books from the Book People after school on **Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday**. We have a great selection of books at discount prices.

There will be a collecting box available if any families would like to donate a book from here, rather than Amazon.

Don't Forget: Thursday is 'own clothes day.' Children are invited to donate £1 to come to school in their own clothes, all of which will go to buying books. The day will be filled with a mixture of reading based activities including an author visit and a whole school book project.

ATTENDANCE NEWS

SPRING TERM

Nursery am: 90%

Nursery pm: 87%

RLMc: 95%

RLK: 99%

Year 1 GH: 93%

Year 1RMc: 97%

Year 2AG: 98%

Year 2 LA: 97%

Year 3 BC: 98%

Year 3 GL: 96%

Year 4: 97%

Year 5: 100%

Year 6: 97%

Well Done to this weeks winners, Year 5, with 100% attendance.

School starts at 8.55am

Children can come into school from 8.45am and should be in class by 8.55am.

Nursery opens at 8.45am and 12.30pm.

Dates for your diary:

4th March—Meeting for Nursery Parents to launch the EasyPeasy programme.

4th / 5th March—Parent/ Carer meetings (please see individual letters)

5th March—Reception parent/carers Maths workshop.

5th March—KS2 Maths Parent / carer workshop.

6th March—Year 5 Boys football competition.

6th March—RLK visiting Pizza Express

6th March—Dual Language course for Nursery parents/ carers.

7th March—New to English course continuing.

7th March—World Book Day.

8th March—Year 5 Lacrosse Taster Session.

11th March—School Council and Eco Warriors visiting Gilmoos Recycling Centre.

11th / 12th—Parent / Carer meetings (please see individual letters)

12th March—Year 6 Bikeability.

15th March— Year 2 Red Nose Day assembly for parents / carers.

19th March—Launch of Smithdown Savings Scheme.

20th March—Year 5 Bikeability.

26th March—KS2 Maths Parent / carer workshop.

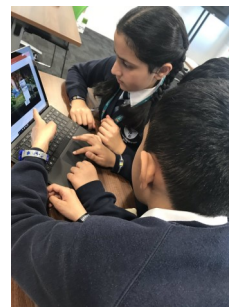
27th March—Year 6 Boys Football at LFC.



Comic Relief Red Nose Day

From tomorrow, School Council will be selling Red Noses on the gate each morning. All money goes to Comic Relief to support their work both in the UK and internationally.

Red Noses cost £1.25



Digital Leaders visited Microsoft education last week and worked with Micro-bits and Augmented Reality.

Please have a look at our twitter



feed

[#smithdowncomputing](https://twitter.com/smithdowncomputing)

to see their coded version of Mr Ma!



Thanks to Park Palace Ponies and AMURT NW, some of our children were able to visit the stables. They groomed and cleaned the horses and then had a chance to ride them. They all had a great time and we were so proud of their behaviour and horse skills.