Newsletter Friday 29th March 2019

Menu Week: Week beginning 1st April 2019 will be **Week 3 – A copy of the** menu is on our website.

Attendance: Whole School Target 2018/19 is 95%

Week Ending 22nd March 2019 - Whole School 92.7%Top 3 classes;1. 13S = 99%2. BEECH = 97.5%3. 9DG = 97.4%

Friends of Wyre Forest News

Don't Forget - The 'Friends' are holding their Annual General Meeting on Monday 8th April at 1.30pm at Russell House. Everyone is invited and there is more information if you follow this link

https://www.wfs.worcs.sch.uk/page/?title=Friends+of+Wyre+Forest+School%26%23160%3 B&pid=32

The Friends of Wyre Forest School would like to say a big 'Thank You' to Cooks Garden Centre, Stourport on Severn for all their help in supplying plants and pots for the Mother's Day gifts in school, which was a huge success.



Parents of pupils in 11B were invited in for Afternoon Tea. We held a 'name the logo' quiz (ES and parents won), pupils made heart wreaths, and parents enjoyed looking at pupils work in folders and on our screen through all the photos we have taken.

Afternoon Tea was courtesy of Food Tech pupils KS and CC (beautiful fairy cakes and hot/cold drinks) plus a few other snacks - here's a picture of the food table before we all tucked in!

Sixth Form News

Sixth Form students have completed their Manual Handling Level 1 Course. A Sixth Form pupil has started independent work experience at The Old Tearooms in Kinver. She has grown in confidence from this experience and is now working towards her Level 2 Food Hygiene Certificate.











Holly Class Trip



Holly class had a brilliant day at the Butterfly Farm in Stratford-Upon-Avon this week. We saw lots of beautiful butterflies, and some other interesting creatures including a giant millipede! The children also have their own





caterpillars in the classroom that are just turning into chrysalis.

Hopefully we will have butterflies in class very soon!

Secondary Food Tech News

Wow, another fantastic lesson today where some students form 9DG and 9K have decorated their Simnel cakes, following the design sheet they produced



several weeks ago. Very impressive work and a great treat for families to enjoy over the Easter break. Enjoy!

One of the students, Leah, would like to share the following information with Parents. This is to help support her course work on the Jamie Oliver, Home cooking skills BTEC.



"Hello parents and carers, my name is Leah and as part of my Home Cooking Skills course work, I would like to share with you, the thought that cooking at home is great! Using our skills and ingredients from scratch so we know what is in our food is the best way forward. It is good to show your children how to cook, so they can look after themselves in the future"

Thank you, Leah"

Poppins News

We held a 'Sing and Sign' session at Poppins on March 25th. Everyone enjoyed signing nursery rhymes with their children, our next session is on Monday 1st April, where our sixth form will be supporting children by helping make Easter cards.



APRIL	
1	Poppins for Parents of Nursery, Reception and Year 1 (1.45 - 2.45)
2	World Autism Day
3	SEND Dance Festival at Fort Royal School (relevant students only)
8	Friends of WFS AGM 1.30pm at Russell House. Everyone Welcome
9	Lower School Easter Egg Hunt – to be confirmed
9	Foundation Signalong Course (9.45 – 2.45 at Russell House) – session 3
10	Lower School Easter Performance 9.30am start
11	Early Years Easter Egg Hunt – to be confirmed
11	10S Afternoon Tea Party for Parents 2.05pm
12	Last Day of Term

World Autism Awareness Week 1-7 April



Next week is World Autism Awareness Week and in school the pupils will be joining in a variety of activities based on this year's theme of Same but Different.

The National Autistic Society provides a wealth of information and support for families and carers of children and young adults with a diagnosis of Autism through their website, the link for which is below.

https://www.autism.org.uk

Many of the strategies and approaches that they recommend are also good for individuals who, whilst they don't have a diagnosis, do experience difficulties within social interaction, communication and flexible thinking, as well as sensory differences. It is therefore well worth a look. There is a link to their webpage on our school website, as well as a link to an Autism Key Facts resource if you are interested in finding out more information about Autism.



The Autism Show is an annual event organised in association with the NAS that is well worth a visit for all professionals, parents and carers alike.

There is a programme of guest speakers with differing areas of expertise, as well as opportunities to listen to the experiences and advice from adults on the spectrum. Parents can also access advice from support services and find out about equipment and new resources that may be useful at home.

This year's event is at the Birmingham NEC - 21st to 22nd June 2019.

There is an entry fee, which is 20% cheaper if purchased online before the event.

Cinema Screenings

https://www.dimensions-uk.org/get-involved/campaigns/autism-friendly-cinema-screenings/

See an autism friendly screening of Dumbo on Sunday 7th April at 11am, at participating Cineworld cinemas.

Extra Cineworld autism friendly screening in April - To celebrate World Autism Awareness Month, Cineworld is hosting an extra autism friendly screening at all its participating sites.



The HSBC UK Disability Hub in Stourport opens this weekend running on Sunday 31st March 10am-12pm. As part of the launch date we would like to invite any groups or individuals to attend this session <u>free of charge</u>. If you know of anyone who might be interested in this opportunity then please contact myself on the details below.

0161 274 2071 or email <u>philball@britishcycling.org.uk</u> HSBC UK Disability Hub-Stourport Launch- <u>https://www.britishcycling.org.uk/disability/article/20190318-disability-news-</u> British-Cycling-to-open-first-West-Midlands-Disability-Hub-0

There is an exciting opportunity for people of any age with a physical or learning disability to take part in British Cycling's New Disability Cycling Hub at Stourport in the West Midlands.

British Cycling Disability Hub – Stourport

- HSBC UK Disability Hub is based at Stourport Cycle Circuit and provides monthly sessions delivered by British Cycling coaches.
- The disability hub sessions provide monthly traffic-free coaching for people with physical and learning disabilities.
- The sessions aim to improve rider's technique, fitness and confidence in a safe, fun and challenging environment.
- The hub sessions help riders with a range of goals: whether to get into a new sport, meet new friends, improve fitness and confidence on a bike, rehabilitate from injury or train for competition.
- The Stourport disability hub also has a range of adapted equipment on-site which includes handcycles, tandems and trikes, making the sessions accessible for those who don't have access to their own bike.
- We also like to encourage all family members to take part in the sessions

Venue: Stourport Sports Club, Kingsway Stourport On Severn Worcestershire DY13 8BQ

Upcoming dates:

31st March- <u>https://www.britishcycling.org.uk/events/details/200519/HSBC-UK-Disability-Hub---</u> <u>Stourport-</u> 21st April- <u>https://www.britishcycling.org.uk/events/details/200520/HSBC-UK-Disability-Hub---</u> <u>Stourport-</u>

Time: All sessions will run from 10am-12pm