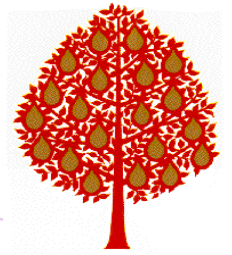


*Whoever you are, be happy, be safe,  
be kind, stay sensible, love learning.*

*Keep caring!*



# The Perryfields Post

Dear Parents and Carers

It was wonderful to see and talk to so many parents at the two parents evenings this week. It is always a great opportunity to look at your child's work and talk about the progress they have made since the autumn term. I am sure you will agree that they have all worked hard and made progress.

The Spring term is always a time when children make increased progress, so please continue to read regularly at home. Individual target cards were given out at parents evening to help reinforce the children's next steps in learning.

Last week we counted up all the reading points from last half term and over half term to see which class had read the most at home. Each week we add the scores together and in an assembly announce who is in the lead. Last half term the class who read the most at home and has won the sought-after prize of the travel book and magazine suitcase plus an extra class reward was **Diamond Class** with 950 points—fantastic!

For this half term the reading points are currently looking like this.....

Ruby Class— 168 points

Topaz Class— 186 points

Emerald Class—217 points

Sapphire Class— 306 points

Diamond Class— 131 points

Pearl Class— 164 points

## World Book Day

This Thursday was World Book Day and as always we celebrated in style with the children and staff dressing up as an animal. The office team and I went around the classes to see which outfit stood out and who should win the class prize (signed book by Catherine Emmett). All of the children and staff looked fantastic. The winners of World Book Day were:

Ruby Class— Reuben

Topaz Class— Ella

Emerald Class— Vlad

Sapphire Class—\*\*

Diamond Class— \*\*

Pearl Class— Soren



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### Dates for your diary...

- 7th—16th March National Science week
- 14th March—Science Day in school (details to follow)
- 24th March—National Skipping Day
- 1st April—Last Teacher Club
- 3rd April—EYFS & KS1 Easter Discos (details to follow)
- 4th April—Last day 1:15pm home time (no Peardrops)
- EASTER HOLIDAY
- 22nd April—Children back to school
- 24th April—Whole School Trip to Layer Marney Towers
- 25th April—Class Photos
- 1st May –Summer teacher clubs begin
- 5th May—Bank Holiday
- 20th May—Open Afternoon 3:10—3:40pm
- 23rd May—Last Day
- 24th May—Half Term
- 2nd June—INSET DAY (staff training/no pupils)

With the funding support from the FIPS Team we were able to invite a real-life author Catherine Emmett into school. She held a whole school assembly and then individual year group workshops. The children had some interesting questions to ask her about how she became an author, what her favourite book was and whether she illustrated her books as well. This visit definitely inspired our children and I think we will have some budding authors as they grow up.



In addition to this, we had the Year 4, 5 and 6 children from the juniors over during the week to share and read books with each class, which all of the children found exciting. It was lovely to see so many familiar faces. In school we also had a special book hunt around the school which the children did in small groups with an adult. A big thank you to Mrs Fairbanks and Mrs Etheridge for organising these fantastic opportunities.

### *Spring is in the air!*

The weather has definitely warmed up and the daffodils that they children planted in the autumn term have begun to shoot.



### *EAL Coffee, Cake & chat*

Before half term Mrs Champion, Mrs Shanker and I held an EAL parent coffee, cake and chat session. This was part of our whole school commitment to supporting all parents and children within our school context and we were wanting to speak with any parents from families who speak additional languages other than English to ensure all families felt included in school life. During this session we spoke about home/school communication, homework, school ethos & core values, RE Curriculum and key festivals, parent work shops, what we are doing well and how the school can get even better. It was a really enjoyable session with some useful information shared. Moving forward we will be looking at how we can make our communication even more accessible for all, where possible try to celebrate a wider range of festivals and look at how we can make workshops and homework more manageable via recordings. There were requests to meet again in the summer term, which was a great idea with the provisional date of Thursday 3rd July 9—10am (TBC).



Have a sunny weekend.

Best wishes,  
Amanda Reid

- ***Dates for your diary...***
- 6th June—KS1 Swimming (TBC)
- 6th June—Summer Inflatables (FIPS TEAM)
- 19th June—Sports Day (PM)
- 26th June—Move Around Day/Open Evening (TBC)
- 1st July—New EYFS Induction (TBC)
- 3rd July—EAL Parent Coffee, cake & chat session 9-10am (TBC)
- 7th July—New EYFS Induction (TBC)
- 18th July—Year 2 Leavers Assembly 9:15am Pearl Class and 11:00am Diamond Class
- 22nd July—Last day 1:15pm home time (no Peardrops)
- 23rd July—Summer Holidays

**Mrs Farmer's Attendance**  
**Award -**  
**Diamond Class 98.89%**