



St Anne's CE Primary School & Nursery

NEWSLETTER



Dodgeball Team

Over the last three weeks a group of year 5 pupils have been competing in the dodgeball league at Bishop Barrington. I am so proud with how far they have developed with their attitude, team spirit and their game in this short space of time.

Well done team!

Mrs. Tonge





Education Enterprise Swimming Gala

On Friday, 15 children from Years 3-6 took part in the Education Enterprise school swimming gala! Mrs. Davidson and Miss Turnbull came back to school beaming with pride about how well the children had done. They all had such a great attitude and really enjoyed the morning.

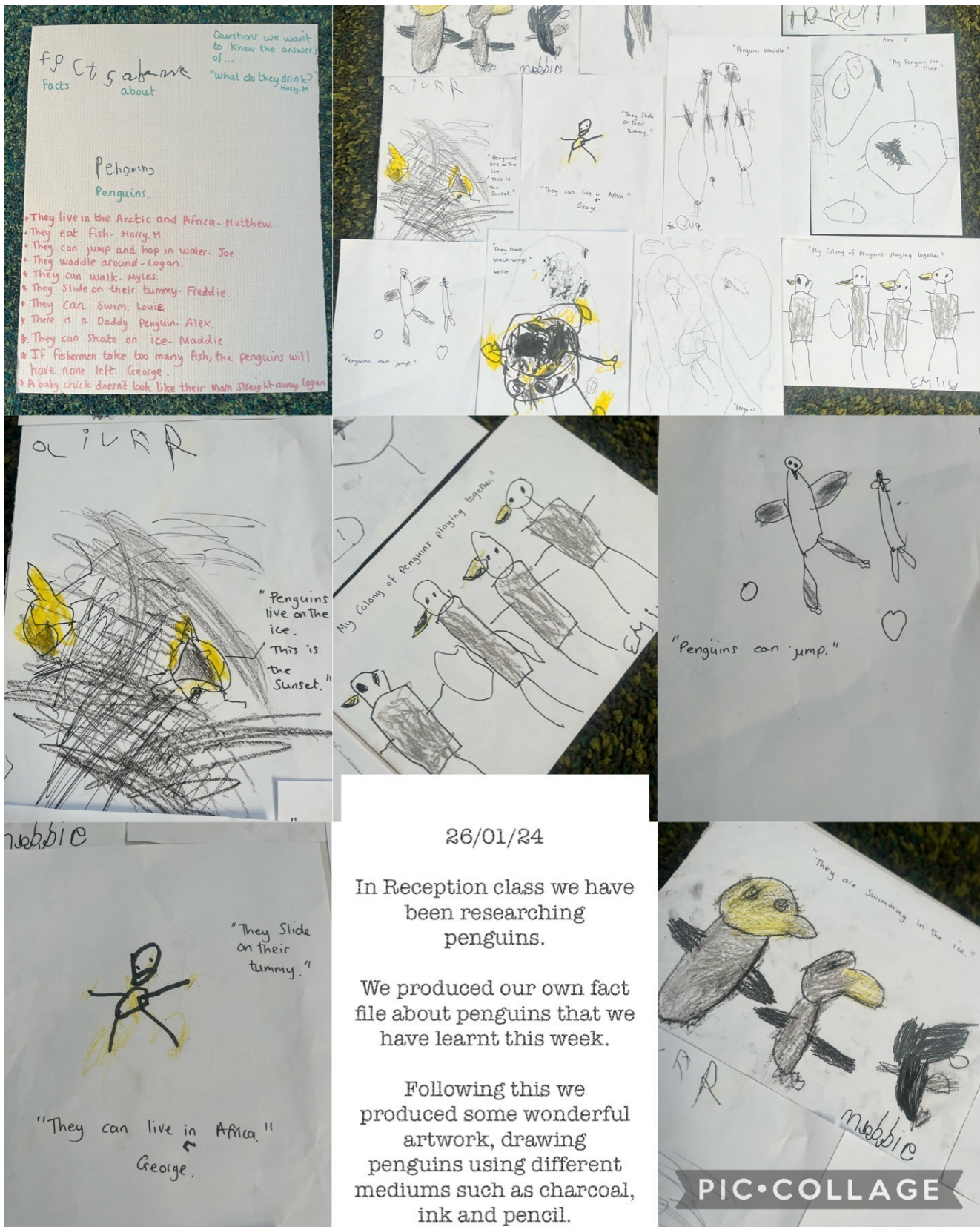
I see we even had a 1st place on the board with a child been asked to join the swimming club!

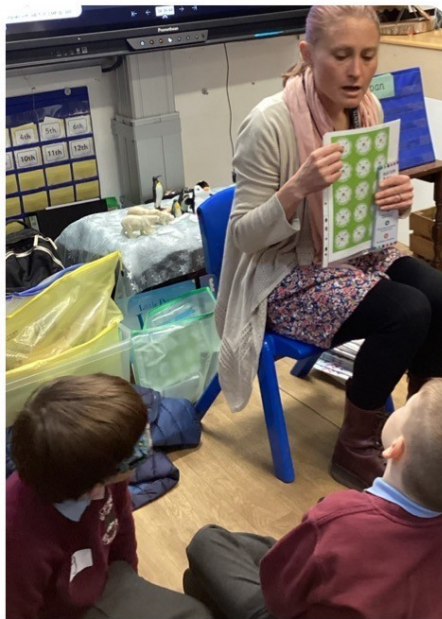
Well done to all involved!



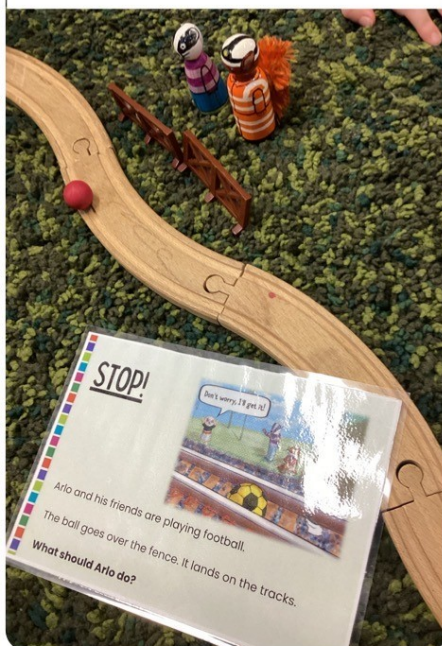
Thank you for all your kind donations for our class reading corners, they are looking fantastic!







Rail safety in Reception.
Jess came in to talk to us about staying safe around the train lines. She read a story about a boy called Arlo and his friends and what they should do to stay safe. The children had the opportunity to act these scenarios out using props that she brought in. Each child was given a copy of the book to take home.



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Christmas Fayre

We are delighted to announce that we raised over £1500 at the Christmas Fayre! A special thank you to everyone who made this possible, including Chartwell's whose yummy cake stall raised a staggering £354.20.

The funds raised have gone towards our new reading shed, which children across school will soon enjoy.

Thank you for your continued support in all the activities we do here at St Anne's.

Cricket after school club

Mondays

3.30-4.30pm

Places still available—bookable via Arbor

£3.00 per session

Following the children completing their reading questionnaires, we would be grateful if you could please spare a few minutes to complete our parent questionnaire at

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScnyv4Kzw5pscRq65WK2Rmp1Xm8QmT41JCi6Q-WYUxqhOP2IA/viewform>

Thank you for your support

Stars of the Week awarded on 2 February 2024

Reception Star of the Week	Maddie for her independent challenges this week
Year 1 Citizen Award	Zoey
Year 1 Maths Award	Grace-Olivia
Year 1 English Award	Amara
Year 2 Citizen Award	Elijah
Year 2 Maths Award	Archie
Year 2 English Award	Erin R



Stars of the Week awarded on 2 February 2024

Year 3 Citizen Award	Scarlett
Year 3 Maths Award	Annie
Year 3 English Award	Anna
Year 4 Citizen Award	Amelia
Year 4 Maths Award	Alice
Year 4 English Award	Tyler
Year 5 Citizen Award	Olly
Year 5 Maths Award	Joel
Year 5 English Award	Evan
Year 6 Citizen Award	Ellie & Clayton
Year 6 Maths Award	Yasmin
Year 6 English Award	Ruby





Safeguarding Training/information for Parents

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers/laptops>

Road Safety

Could we please ask that extra care is given when parking outside of school. We have had reports from other motorists of some near misses and concerns raised over the safety of our children. We kindly ask that you consider other motorists as well as our neighbours. Thank you for your support

Medication in school

Polite reminder that children should not have medication in their bags. All medication must be handed to the Office and the relevant form completed.

Names on clothing

We regularly have items of clothing which are lost around school. To help us identify who the clothing belongs to and return items to their rightful owners, could we please ask that all items of clothing are labelled with either your child's name or initials.

Smart watches

A number of our children were bought Smart watches for Christmas. Whilst these are wonderful gifts, they can only be worn in school if they do not have a camera and/or games facilities.

Mobile phones

Reminder that children who bring mobile phones to school, should hand them to the Office, switched off. They can be collected from the Office at the end of the day.

Polite reminder that children who have vomited or have had diarrhoea should remain off school for 48 hours from the last episode. This is to ensure your child is fully fit before returning to school and also to help stop the spread of illness to children and staff. Thank you





Parking

Could we please ask you to consider our neighbours when parking your car outside of school. On a number of occasions ,drive ways have been blocked.

Absence reporting

Polite reminder that all absences and medical appointments should be reported to the Office by telephone on 01388 603359 each day.

Medical appointments

We have a large number of children leaving school early each day for medical appointments. Whilst we understand the difficulties in booking appointments, could we please ask that wherever possible appointments are made outside of school hours to limit disruption to your child's education. We will also be asking for evidence of medical appointments. This can be an appointment card, text etc.

Holiday requests

Polite reminder that all holiday requests must be made in advance, with forms available from the Office. Please be aware that only in exceptional circumstances will your request will be approved.

Earrings

Could we please remind you that earrings should be removed for PE lessons and where they cant be removed, they should be taped.

Reading books

We have a number of reading books being returned from home damaged or not being returned at all. Could we please ask that care is taken with any books taken home. Any lost or damaged books will be charged at £2.00 per book, to your child's Arbor account.

January	February
1 Holiday	1
2 Holiday	2 Tuck shop/hot chocolate Year 3 Visit to St Anne's Church
3	3
4	4
5 Tuck shop/hot chocolate	5 Mental Health week
6	6 Year 5 Hamsterley Forest
7	7 Safer Internet Day
8	8
9	9 Tuck shop/hot chocolate
10	10
11	11
12 Tuck shop/hot chocolate	12
13	13 Pancake Day
14	14 Valentine Lunch Valentine Disco
15	15
16	16 Tuck shop/hot chocolate
17	17
18	18
19 Tuck shop/hot chocolate	19 Holiday
20	20 Holiday
21	21 Holiday
22	22 Holiday
23	23 Holiday
24	24
25 Reception & KS1 Rail Education Day	25
26 Tuck shop/hot chocolate	26 Fair Trade Fortnight
27	27
28	28
29	29
30	
31 KS2 Rail Education Day	





School holidays for the 2023/24 academic year

Holiday	Closing date	Date re-opens
Summer 2023	Friday 21 July 2023	Monday 4 September 2023
Autumn half-term 2023	Friday 27 October 2023	Monday 6 November 2023
Christmas 2023	Tuesday 19 December 2023	Wednesday 3 January 2024
Spring half-term 2024	Friday 16 February 2024	Monday 26 February 2024
Easter 2024	Thursday 28 March 2024	Monday 15 April 2024
May Day 2024	Friday 3 May 2024	Tuesday 7 May 2024
Summer half-term 2024	Friday 24 May 2024	Monday 3 June 2024
Summer 2024	Tuesday 23 July 2024	Wednesday 4 September 2024

PD dates for 2023/24 are:

Monday 4 September 2023

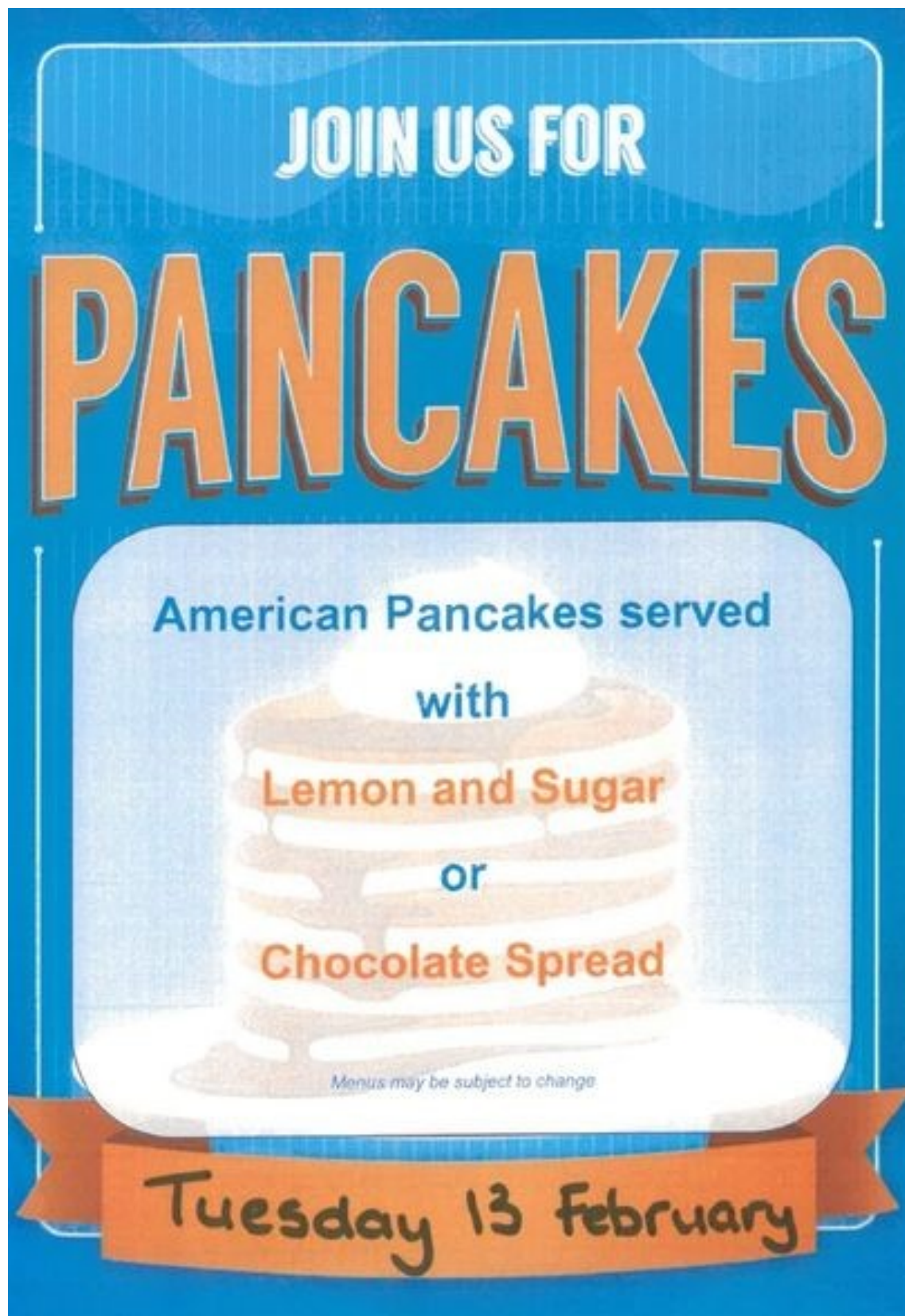
Tuesday 5 September 2023

Friday 17 November 2023

Friday 24 May 2024

Friday 28 June 2024

On these dates school will be closed for all children.



On Tuesday 13 February children will enjoy pancakes as their dessert with their school lunch and a special Valentine themed menu on Wednesday 14 February



Happy Valentine's Day

Menu

Romantic Roast Dinner

Roast Pork, Roast Potatoes & Gravy

Cupid's Cottage Pie

Vegetarian Cottage Pie

Just Me and You Jackets

Jacket Potato

Cutie Cabbage

Catch My Eye Carrots

Sweetie Pie

Cornflake Tart with Custard



It's party time...!



Valentine Disco 2024

Wednesday 14 February

With Rob Proud Disco, Games & Dancing

EYFS & Key Stage 1: 4.30pm--5.30pm

Key Stage 2: 5.45pm--6.45pm

£3.00 per ticket including juice. Available at the Main Entrance on Monday 12 & Tuesday 13 February

**NOTE TO PARENTS: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE SCHOOL DISCO
TO SIGN UP AT MAIN ENTRANCE**

Please note: there will be an opportunity for the children to purchase refreshments and goodies from the Tuck Shop during the disco



Head Teacher: Mrs S Binks

Minds to learn hearts to care.