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Friday 28th February 2025

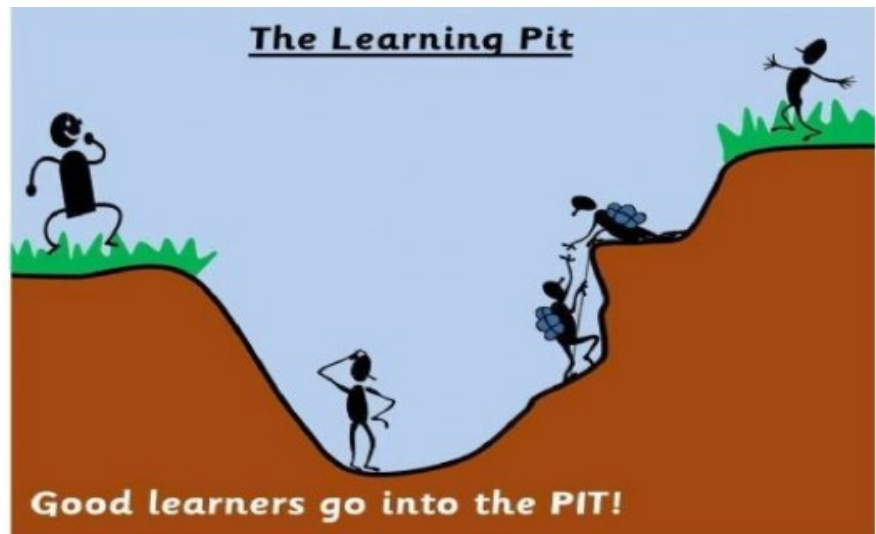


## Message from the Headteacher

Good afternoon,

*I hope you all had an enjoyable week during half term and enjoyed your family time together.*

*As we begin a new half term, it's important to "hook back" and reflect on our learning from the last half term. "The Learning Pit" that we explored before half term is a key starting point for this half term. The learning pit is not purely about school subjects and academic learning but encompasses much more than that.*



*For our Sparrowhawks about to head to London next week, you are soon to embark on a significant learning journey. You will experience a range of complex feelings related to new learning and experiences, such as nervousness and excitement. It is important to normalise these feelings because that's how **we should feel** when we are about to do something new and challenging, outside of our normal comfort zone. It's crucial that we teach children to recognise these feelings as normal but, even more crucially, not let those feelings stop us from embracing these challenging experiences and learning opportunities, as that is where the growth happens.*

Kind regards,

Mr Pennington

(Acting Headteacher)



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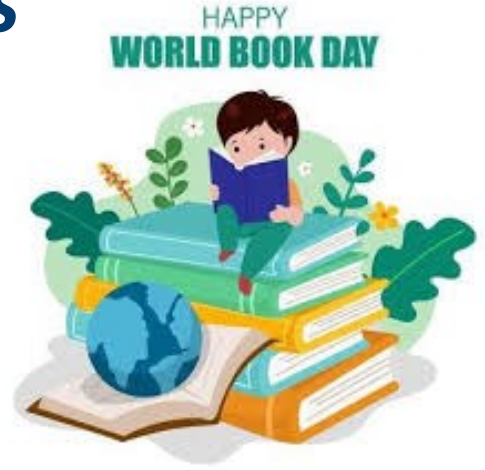


## School News

### World Book Day

**\*\*THURSDAY 6th MARCH\*\***

This year, we will be celebrating World Book Day on **Thursday 6th March 2025**. Children are invited to dress up as their favourite book character and bring their favourite book to school. The costume does not have to be expensive or elaborate! Please feel free to keep things simple and manageable. Here is a link to the World Book day website [Dressing up - World Book Day](#)



**\*\*Please note that if your child is going to London on the Sparrowhawk residential they will be away for this but will receive their book voucher as normal.\*\***

On this day we will have a special 'World Book Day' menu. You will find this attached to the email.

### Swimming Lessons

We would like to remind you that swimming for Falcons class and selected Sparrowhawk children will start again on Monday 3rd March, therefore please ensure your child has their swimming kit with them on this day.

### Cardboard Needed

Mrs Turney is looking for cardboard tubes. Any type of tube will do! Toilet roll tubes, printer tubes, kitchen roll tubes etc would all be great. If you have any that we could have please drop them to the school office or into Falcons class. Thank you!

### Pancake Day - Tuesday 4th March

On Tuesday, to celebrate Pancake Day there will be various activities taking place in school including pancake racing! Therefore can we please ask that children in Reception to Year 6 take a **NAMED** frying pan into school with them on this day. Thank you!





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## Events of the week



### Cricket Day

The whole school had a great time working with Martin from 'Primary Cricket Chance to Shine' practising their cricket skills. They learnt about bowling, fielding, batting, team skills and resilience. We look forward to working with Martin again in the future!







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## Events of the week

### Science Afterschool Club

This week Science Club managed to make ice cream in a bag! We realised that we needed to use full fat milk with cream then it turned into ice cream when the fat molecules froze. We made delicious strawberry and chocolate ice cream!





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## School Clubs

Below is a summary of clubs for next week.

All clubs must be booked in advance.

Day	Morning	Afterschool
Monday 3rd March	Breakfast Club from 8am	
Tuesday 4th March	Breakfast Club from 8am	Maths Club with Mrs Hawkins 3.15pm - 4.15pm <b>YEAR 6 ONLY</b>
Wednesday 5th March	Breakfast Club from 8am	Gymnastics Club with Mrs Shaw 3.15pm - 4.15pm Year 3 - 6  Science Club with Mrs Turney 3.15pm - 4.15pm Year 2 - 6
Thursday 6th March	Breakfast Club from 8am	Invasion Games Club with Mr Joslin 3.15pm - 4.15pm Reception, Year 1 & Year 2
Friday 7th March	Breakfast Club from 8am	



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## ***Dates for the Diary***

### **2025**



Date	Event
5 - 7 March	Yr 5/6 Residential Trip to London
6 March	World Book Day
31 March - 2 April	Whole School Art Exhibition
7 - 21 April	Easter Holidays
22 April	First Day of Summer Term
1 - 2 May	Falcons Residential to Pinkery Pond
5 May	Bank Holiday
26 - 30 May	May Half Term Holiday
26 June	Sports Day
2 - 3 July	Year 6 Transition Days to SMCC
4 July	Reserve Sports Day
7 - 8 July	Reception Parents Evenings
14 July	Non Pupil Day
15 July	Year 6 Leavers Trip TBC
18 July	Whole School Music Celebration
23 July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly
23 July	Last Day of Academic Year
24 July	Start of Summer Holidays

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## *News from the Village and Local Community*

### **Little Nippers Baby and Toddler Group:**

Becky Rottenbury is running a Baby and Toddler group in the Methodist Hall on a Wednesday morning 9.30-11.30am during term time. This is a free group with tea and coffee alongside activities and toys for the little ones. The poster is on our website in the newsletter section

### **Friday Club:**

The next Friday club session will be, **TONIGHT**, Friday 28th February for an evening all about pancakes.. cooking, decorating, eating and racing!

For any queries regarding Friday club, please contact Rosemarie Courtney (07944 243866).

**N.B.** We have a fb group, 'North Molton Friday Club'. It would be helpful if parents/grandparents of Years 3-6 children, interested in Friday Club, could join for communication purposes.

**Phonebox Library:** The village has converted the disused telephone box into a community library. It's a lovely library for the children to visit, take a book and recycle the ones they are finished with.

The village phone box library has a lovely selection of **children's books** as well.

### **The Saunders Good Samaritans Trust:**

If anyone is struggling and needs any help please contact this local charity that is available to support residents in our local community. For more information please contact Rose Courtney (740382) who lives in the village.