

School Newsletter – 5th February 2024



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Attendance

Last week:	93.4%
Sep23-Feb24:	94.3%
Sep22-Feb23:	92.6%
Target:	96%

Dates

- Parents Evening - week of **5th February**
- Year 3/4 Theatre Alibi Set Design - **8th February**
- Half term - **12th-16th February**
- Reception & Year 6 Height & Weight Check - **21st February**
- Year 4/5 Girls' Football Tournament - **21st February**
- Year 1 West Town Farm Visit - **27th February**
- Year 6 Wellbeing Workshop - **6th March**
- World Book Day - **7th March**
- Year 1 Multi-Skills - **13th March**
- Rocksteady Performance - **20th March**

Mr Jenkins' Message:

It's great to see the weather improving and the children have been loving the play times. Thanks so much for the donation of a dolls house and a table football! Both boys and girls have been enjoying them! On another note, there has been lots of sickness around, just a reminder that a phone call every morning your child isn't in school before 8.30am is what we would like. It's lovely to see so many of you at parents evenings, if you had to cancel or couldn't come in then please contact your class teacher for a 10min catch up after half term.

Parents Evening

If you have not yet booked on to a parents evening appointment for this week, please do so following the link shared on Dojo. Our teachers have wonderful learning from your children to share with you!

Height and Weight

Reception & Year 6

On **Wednesday 21st**

February, Reception and Year 6 will have a visit from the school nurse team to measure their height and weight. You will have received a letter in the Autumn term detailing their visit, in which you had the option to opt out. If you have changed your mind at all, please contact them on 01392 386382.



Year 3/4 Theatre Alibi Set Design

On **Thursday 8th February**, years 3 and 4 will be attending a set design session at Emmanuel Hall. Theatre Alibi are running a festival over the February half term and have asked our children to support them in creating gigantic cardboard creations.

Year 4/5 Girls' Football Tournament

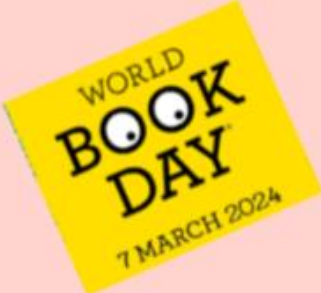
On the morning of **Wednesday 21st February**, Mrs Pinckney will be taking a team of footballers from her after school club along to a tournament at West Exe. They have been consistently training since September and so we wish them well in their first competitive matches.

Governor Corner

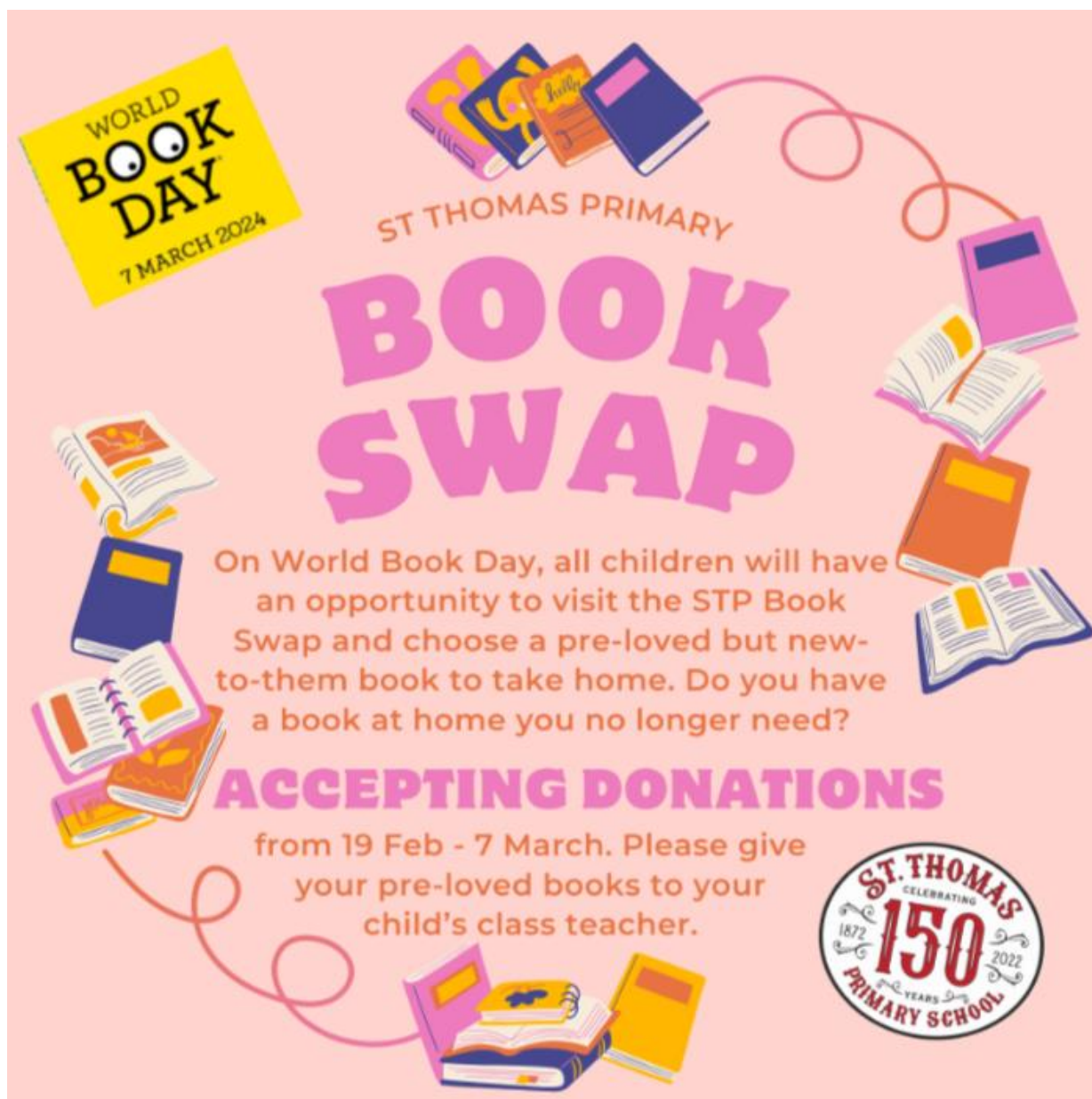
On **Friday 2nd February**, we had a visit from Tamara Al-Khalili, our EYFS and OPAL governor. She enjoyed seeing the children's active lunchtime play and hearing about our future plans. She spent some time with the Reception children who were practising their handwriting and learning about hibernation.

Safeguarding - If you are worried about the safety or wellbeing of a child, please speak to a member of our safeguarding team. If outside of school hours, please refer to MASH and complete their online referral form. If you deem a child to be at immediate risk, please contact the police on 999.





WORLD
**BOOK
DAY**
7 MARCH 2024



ST THOMAS PRIMARY

BOOK SWAP

On World Book Day, all children will have an opportunity to visit the STP Book Swap and choose a pre-loved but new-to-them book to take home. Do you have a book at home you no longer need?

ACCEPTING DONATIONS

from 19 Feb - 7 March. Please give your pre-loved books to your child's class teacher.



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A graphic featuring two young children, a girl with dark hair and a boy with curly hair, both smiling. The girl is holding a pink card that says 'that'. The background is blue with the word 'Hey!' in large white letters. Below the children is a purple torn-edge banner with white text.

Hey!

Did you know. . .
from April, even
more working families
can **save money on childcare**

We will be running information sessions,
on what funding is available,
eligibility and how to apply.

Childcare
Choices

Dates throughout February!

Devon
County Council

Monday 5th February 2024 (10.00-11.00)

[Click here to join the session](#)

Wednesday 7th February 2024 (19.30-20.30)

[Click here to join the session](#)

Wednesday 14th February 2024 (16.00-17.00)

[Click here to join the session](#)

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BUMPER HALF TERM

Join us this February half term to help us celebrate the Tivvy Bumper steam engine!

Saturday 10th to Saturday 17th
February 2024 (closed Sunday 11th)

Follow the railway map around the museum,
collecting letters to spell your destination
Part of normal admission*

Plus, train toys,
board games,
dressing up, colouring
station & more!

*Adults £8.50, accompanied kids go FREE!

CRAFT sessions on **Tuesday 13th** and
Wednesday 14th February

From 10 - 12. Drop-in

£3 per child with paying adult (£2.50 per child with a museum member)



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