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**Edition 25: Friday 22nd March
2024**

Dates for your Diary

Fri 15 th March	Comic Relief
Tues 19 th March	10am Year 3 Production-Bee Musical
Tues 19 th to Tues 26 th March	3.15-3.30pm Travelling Book Fair in hall
Weds 20 th March	2pm Year 3 Production-Bee Musical
Weds 27 th March	Infant Spring Fling
Weds 27 th March	Last Y5/6 swimming lesson
Weds 27 th March	3.15pm End of spring term
Thurs 28 th March to 12 th April	Easter Holidays
Mon 15 th April	Start of summer term
Mon 15 th March	Start of new clubs
Tues 16 th April	Bags 2 School collection
Fri 26 th April	New date for EYFS Height, weight and hearing screening

**More information coming soon*

This week at Parsons Down... It's been an action packed week which culminated in a day of science on Friday to celebrate **British Science Week**.

- ✓ Last Friday the whole partnership looked very colourful as everyone took part in the fun run. Despite the wet weather the infants ran a whole lap of the field and playground, while the juniors ran two laps. Together we raised £176.96 for **Comic Relief**.
- ✓ Some of our pupils have received letters from **Laura Farris** this week, congratulating them on their fantastic entries to her story writing competition on World Book Day. Well done to everyone who entered.
- ✓ **Foundation Stage** enjoyed making toast during their first campfire cooking session
- ✓ **Year 1** have been putting our new Loose Parts shed to good use during Welly Wednesday and have enjoyed building and balancing. We are still looking for donations of plastic pipes and tubes if anyone is able to donate
- ✓ **Year 2** enjoyed exploring the orchard at the Nature Discovery Centre on Monday.
- ✓ **Year 3** took to the stage for a magnificent performance of the play "Bee Musical". It was an amazing team effort and we're incredibly proud of them all.
- ✓ **Year 6** were a credit to Parsons Down when they visited The Base at Greenham on Tuesday. They enjoyed spending time in the Wildlife Photographer of the Year exhibition and creating their own artwork with one of the resident artists.
- ✓ West Berkshire Council is in the process of developing a new scooter training programme called **Scooter Heroes** and Parsons Down has been chosen to be the first school to participate. We have been given a set of scooters and helmets for taking part and 10 of our year 1 pupils were the first to try them out this week. Going forwards, Scooter Heroes will become part of our PE curriculum in year 1.
- ✓ We're very proud of our **U11 boys' football team** who battled hard against St Nic's on Thursday after school. They narrowly missed out in the next round. Well played boys!
- ✓ The **travelling book fair** arrived. There are a selection of books including the £1 World Book Day books that the children can have for free as well as some free books that the school no longer need. It's in the school hall after school and the last day is Tuesday 26th March.
- ✓ Thank you to everyone who has already brought in their paper plates for the **Easter plate competition** They look amazing!! The School council will be judging entries on Tuesday, it's not too late to take part.
- ✓ Our annual **Infant School Spring Fling** is on Wednesday 27th March, for children in EYFS, Y1 & Y2. The children are invited to make an Easter bonnet at home and bring it into school on the day. We can't wait to see their creations!

Finally, be kind, be safe, be respectful, Mrs Bull



The Week in Pictures

This week's No Outsiders photo, Y2 exploring the orchard, Y6 being inspired at The Base, Y1 honing their scooting skills and exploring the new loose parts shed, Y3 taking to the stage, some snapshots of last week's fun run and our U11 footballers.



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