

Dear Parents/Carers,

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This week has been full of activity! Where do I begin...?

Yesterday, the daffodils were judged by an external expert. He



commented on how well we had grown our daffodil bulbs this year (whilst also commenting on our remarkable learning environment and displays). Children should have received their certificates for their

efforts and are able to take their daffodils home now. Thankyou to all for participating in this yearly tradition!

Birch Class have been learning about a significant figure in history this term — a courageous woman called Grace Darling, who saved nine people from a shipwreck in 1838. They learnt how Grace's actions have impacted on our lives today. Mick, from the Royal National Lifeboat Institution, shared



lots of information about the RNLI and informed us that it is celebrating its 200th birthday!

Elm Class performed a wonderful assembly mid-week, based upon their learning about rivers. I was really impressed with everyone's singing and learnt so many wonderful facts! At Alderwood, we know that the knowledge we share should be 'sticky'; this means that it should stay with us forever. Elm Class certainly did share knowledge that will remain with us for a long time!

World Book Day was an absolute success! Thankyou to Mrs Morgan for her suggestions and support in ensuring everyone had a fun and memorable time (I could tell that the children



absolutely loved the character hunt!). Thankyou especially to you, the parents and carers, for your support in finding or making such wonderful costumes. Even Seve, our Pet Therapy dog, joined in the fun.

Interestingly, we're informed that reading for pleasure is THE most important indicator of a child's future success. Yet, according to research, fewer children than ever are choosing to read. The important question that we therefore need to ask is...why? At Alderwood, we care passionately about your child's success and promote and prioritise reading across the whole school. We know that those daily reading habits, are vital. We hope you enjoyed popping in to your child's classroom this week. There will be more opportunities in the near future—watch this space! And in case you're wondering...the travelling book fair will be with us very soon!

Have a wonderful weekend everyone!

Mr Guy

<u>Dates for your Diary</u>

Wednesday 13th March Maple Class assembly

Wednesday 20th March Willow Cass assembly

Thursday 21st - 28th march
Traveling Book fair at Alderwood
School

Thursday 28th March Last day of Term

Easter Holidays
Friday 29th March - Friday 12th April

Children return to on Monday 15th April

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New Chartwells Spring/Summer Menu starts

Friday 19th April

FS2 Looking after your teeth workshop

Thursday 2nd May

Chartwells Spring Summer Menu Taster session @3.15pm

Monday 17th - Friday 31st May Half Term

Monday 3rd June
Children return to school

World Book Day fun...





