



This half term we are focussing on: Responsibility

William Ransom Weekly

Good Morning Parents and Carers,

Our week began with a storytelling day from Epic Tales to inspire and excite children from across the school and it did not disappoint!

'The atmosphere was very real and it was good. He tried to tell a story everyone would love. I definitely enjoyed it. He created great sound effects and was very funny' *Chloe P-B, Yr 6*

'I liked how Chip made everyone feel included in the story. I loved the story because it was very funny and silly. It was very funny and interactive' *Ava, Yr 5*

'I think that the storytelling was very good. I especially liked the funny bits. He was good at doing accents. I loved that as well as telling a story, he could play guitar and he did actions for the story' *Matilda, Yr 5*

You can read more about this by [clicking here](#).

A big well done to our Year 6 boys for making it through to the Sportshall Athletics finals and representing the school as well as they did - a great experience was had by all!

Congratulations as well to our Year 5 mathematicians who took part in the Year 5 Maths Challenge this week. A great opportunity to collaborate together and test their mathematical skills, often against the clock, against other schools. An enjoyable experience that I am sure they will all take a lot from.

I wish you all a relaxing and enjoyable Sunday.

Mr Plunkett

Coming Up...

Monday

- Yr 3 Synagogue Visit
- Yr 5 K'Nex Challenge

Tuesday

- Whole School House Pancake Race

Wednesday

- Willow Class Assembly

Thursday

- World Book Day

Friday

- Start of Science Week
- 9am Coffee & Chat

Royal Academy of Arts Submissions!

We wanted to share with you these fantastic pieces of art work that have been submitted for the Royal Academy of Arts Young Artists' Summer Show. We are hoping that they might all be selected to be displayed online and on-site at the Royal Academy of Arts. A huge well done to all three of you!



Frank, Yr 6



Abby, Yr 4



Aradya, Yr R



Times Tables Rockstars Club

TTRS (Times Tables Rockstars) is a great resource that it is used in school and at home to support our children's continued development and recall of multiplication facts.

Years 4-6 have further access to this resource during school time this year through the use of our new Chromebooks and we are now in the process of further developing our break time provision, and utilising our new Chromebooks, by introducing a TTRS club. This has initially been aimed at specific children in Year 4 and some parents will already have received further information on this.

However, we are aware that some children in Year 4 might not be able to access this resource as fully as possible at home due to not having a suitable device and we encourage anyone in this situation to make contact with the School Office (admin@wransom.herts.sch.uk) or with me directly so that they can be included as well. Thank you!

Mrs Wheat



Why is signing the SFC pact so important?

By signing the Smartphone Free Childhood pact, parents/carers are mutually helping other like-minded families to know that their child will not be the 'odd one out' if they delay giving them a smartphone until they are older.

Next week, Year 6 children will be finding out which secondary school they will be attending from September. The pact relating to a specific school can be signed as soon as places have been confirmed.

Families who do not want their child to have a smartphone until they're older are encouraged to sign the pact relating to their child's allocated secondary school asap to help spread that important sense of solidarity. If you are in support, pacts relating to all Hitchin schools can be found at: <https://bit.ly/sfcpact>



Last chance to get tickets for Comedy Night!

Following an initial sell-out, more tickets have been put on sale for our Comedy Night on 7th March. The ticket sale will end at midday on Thursday - get yours asap if you're keen!

BBC Comedy Writer and Y3 Dad, Adrian Poynton, will be joined by some of the UK's other best comedians for a night of jokes, storytelling, laughter (and let's be honest, probably some phrases that have never been said in the school hall before) all in aid of the new school library and SPA. Tickets cost £12 each and are on sale at: bit.ly/WRcomedy.

There will be a fully licensed bar, and pizza will be available in the interval by pre-order (please see the booking page for further info.)

And if you still need a World Book Day costume, pre-loved costumes costing £3 each are available in the uniform shed. Open Monday/Tuesday/Friday at 8:50-9:20 and Wednesday at 2:30-3:00.



Please click on the boxes below to access further information on the school website.

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Including Decorations Day in Reception, Viking Shields in Year 5, Snow at WR