

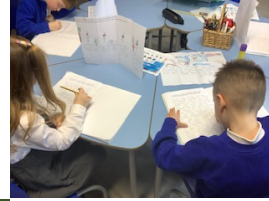


Three Legged Cross First and Nursery School

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Newsletter

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Reading is a priority!

Please use Boom Reader when you have shared a library book or read a reading book at home.

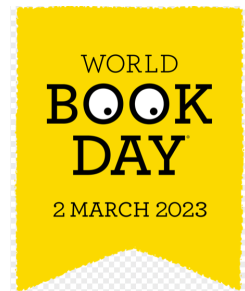
Access Boom Reader via a webpage here: <https://parents.boomhub.app/signup>

World Book Day

The children are welcome to dress as a book character on World Book Day, which is on Thursday 2nd March. You may make a donation towards library books, but it is not compulsory. Each child will receive the £1 World Book Token to spend soon.

Find out more about World Book Day here:

<https://www.worldbookday.com><https://www.worldbookday.com>



Birthday coming up? No more sweets, please bring a book...

When it is your child's birthday, there is no obligation to provide anything in school. Therefore, from now on, please do not bring any birthday sweets to school.

However, you may want to consider donating a book to the library instead. We will put a message at the front of the book for every book donated. We have an Amazon wish list if you need book donation ideas. Look at the list here: <https://amzn.eu/fGRkxv>

Attendance is a priority!

Our latest attendance is 92.4%, which is less than the expected level and means children's learning will be affected.

The class attendance is:

Peacock 90.7%

Skipper 90.2%

Gatekeeper 94%

Admiral 95.2%

Emperor 91.8%

The government have published information about responsibilities for school attendance. You can find it here:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1073619/Summary_table_of_responsibilities_for_school_attendance.pdf

Parent Teacher Meetings

Please attend the scheduled parent teacher meetings before the half term break.

Find out about how your child is doing against national benchmarks and individual targets.

Staff Training

There will be no after school clubs on Thursday 23rd February 2023 and Thursday 2nd March 2023. The school will be fully closed at the end of the school day due to staff training with the Educational Psychology Service and Behaviour Support Service on relational training. This will further support improvement to our positive behaviour strategies and procedures.

Our school is fully closed on Thursday 30th March and Friday 31st March 2023 for school inset days. Our staff will be planning future learning, with a focus on computing, arts, and culture.

Our remaining inset days are 19th, 20th, 21st July 2023, which means we break up for the summer holidays on Tuesday 18th July 2023. This early finish may mean you can benefit from a slightly cheaper summer holiday to avoid a term time absence.

Parents are expected to:

Ensure their child attends every day the school is open except when a statutory reason applies.

Notify the school as soon as possible when their child has to be unexpectedly absent (e.g. sickness).

Only request leave of absence in exceptional circumstances and do so in advance.

Book any medical appointments around the school day where possible.

Fundraising update

On the final day of this half term, Friday 10th February 2023, it's 'wear something you love' and bring a donation for the Friends of 3LX.

Please see an update from the Friends of 3LX fundraising group at the end of this school newsletter.

Possible Teachers strike days this term

The NEU (National Education Union) has voted in favour of strike action on the following days:

Wednesday 1st February 2023

Thursday 2nd March 2023

Wednesday 15th March 2023

Thursday 16th March 2023

Please bear in mind that employees are under no obligation to inform employers that they will be taking strike action, so it can be difficult to plan for the safe opening of our school. We will keep you informed regarding any possible closures as soon as reasonably possible. We will send this information to you via email.

In the event of school closure...

We are committed to remaining open in the event of adverse weather conditions, if it is safe to do so. Please make sure children have suitable coats and footwear in icy or snowy conditions. If conditions are dangerous, we may take the decision to close the school. As soon as the school closure decision is made, it will be posted on our website.

If closed due to dangerous weather, our learning will switch to remote learning.

Dates for the diary

Please access the school website for up to date details of school term dates, including 2023 -24.

<https://3lxschool.com/calendar/>

2023	
30 th January 2023	Parent teacher meetings this week and next. Find out how well your child is doing.
10 th February 2023	Wear something you love for a fundraising donation
13 th to 17 th February 2023	February HALF TERM 2023
29 th March 2023	Year 1 and Year 2 class assembly at 9am
30 th and 31 st March 2023	School closed - inset days
3 rd to 14 th April 2023	EASTER HOLIDAYS 2023
1 st May 2023	Closed for Early May Bank Holiday
8 th May 2023	Closed for Coronation Bank Holiday
29 th May to 2 nd June 2023	May HALF TERM 2023
14 th June 2023	Summer disco until 4.00pm
20 th June 2023	Summer fayre
6 th July 2023	Sports day in the afternoon
18 th July 2023	Break up at the usual times
19 th July to 31 st August 2023	SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2023
1 st September 2023	School starts for the autumn term 2023
23 rd to 27 th October 2023	October HALF TERM 2023
15 th December 2023	Break up at the usual times
18 th December to 1 st January 2024	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
2 nd January 2024	Return to school for the spring term 2024

Paper copies of newsletters are available if requested via the office.



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FRIENDS OF THREE LEGGED CROSS FIRST & NURSERY SCHOOL SPRING 2023 UPDATE

Fundraising achieved

We have achieved our £15,000 target! Thank so much for all your support. The school have now ordered the additional trim trail items, and these should be in place during February. Other works ongoing include the replacement of the damaged tarmac which will also be funded by the Friends (hopefully during April). Once this has been completed the school will be arranging for the removal of the existing playground markings and then the next stage will be new playground markings. Unfortunately, the cost of the tarmac replacement and the removal of the existing markings means we will be continuing to look for funds and have extended our target to £21,000.

Breakdown of costs:

Trim trail - £6,410

Tarmac - £5,750

Playground marking removal - £2,500

Playground markings (depends on amount purchased - around £5,000)

Additional equipment - scooter/bike racks.

AGM

Join us for our Annual General Meeting which is taking place on 21st February 2023 at 3pm at the school. Please see the separate letter on the Facebook page for more details.

After school tuck shops

Tuck shops will take place on the last Friday of every month (except for March when it will take place on Wednesday 29th March due to staff training).

Dinosaur Dome

On 10th March, the Dinosaur Dome will be visiting the school. Each class will get the chance to visit the dome. This workshop has been funded by the Friends and we hope the children will enjoy the experience. See more information here: <http://www.dinosaurdome.co.uk/5.html>

Golden Ticket Chocolate Bars

In the week before Mother's Day on 19th March 2023, we will be selling chocolate bars for £2 each outside the school. Five lucky bars contain a golden ticket, each of which will consist of a lovely prize for a special person in your life. More information coming soon.

Great British Spring Clean

17th March - 2 April 2023 is the Great British Spring Clean. Join us after school on various dates (to be confirmed) to go on a litter picking adventure around the local area. Each child who participates will be rewarded with a small token of thanks and a certificate during assembly.

Coronation Colour Run

Join us on 3rd May from 2.15pm for our sponsored colour run. Each child will be given the opportunity to take part and raise funds for the school. Parents can watch and even join in throwing the powder. Refreshments will be available.

Asda Green Tokens

We do not yet know where we came out of second or third place, but funds should be received this week and an announcement will be made on the Facebook page. Thank you so much to everyone who took the time to vote for us.

Tesco Community Vote

Until end of March, please ensure that you collect a blue token and vote for us. The project with the highest number of votes will receive £1,500, the second placed project £1,000, and the third placed project £500. Stores which will vote on our project are listed below:

- Ferndown Tesco Superstore BH22 9TH
- West Moors Bournemouth Tesco Express BH22 0JB
- Glenmoor Road Bournemouth Tesco Express BH22 8QE
- Butlers Lane Poulner Tesco Express BH24 1UB
- Verwood Ringwood Tesco Express BH31 7AQ

[Become a Class Rep](#)

If you are interested in becoming a class representative, please let us know.

[Clothing/shoe collection](#)

We have another clothing collection on 26 April 2023. Please think of us when you are having a clear out and save items in a black bag to be delivered to the school on the morning of 26 April 2023.

[Second hand uniform Facebook page](#)

Please visit our Facebook page "Three Legged Cross First & Nursery School – pre-loved uniform". You can list your own item or simply pass it to the Friends. We ask that anything listed is free. Any fancy dress or World Book Day costumes are also welcome.