



Spring Term

Tue 24 Feb 2015
15:30 - 19:30 Parents Evening (Spr)

Thu 26 Feb 2015
15:30 - 18:00 Parents Evening (Spr) short evening

Thu 5th Mar 2015
ALL DAY - World Book Day >> Dress as book character (Optional)

Fri 13th Mar 2015
ALL DAY - Comic Relief >> Non Uniform Day

Thu 19 Mar 2015
Year 5 Class Assembly 2:55 – 3:30pm

Thu 26 Mar 2015
14:00 - 15:30 Curriculum Day 4 - Art

15:30 - 16:00 Easter Cake Sale / Fete after school in hall

Fri 27 Mar 2015
Year 4 Class Assembly 2:55 – 3:30pm
Last day of Spring Term

Summer Term

Mon 13 Apr 2015
PD Day (School Closed for pupils)

Tue 14 Apr 2015
All Day School Starts – Summer Term

Tue 21–Thu 23 Apr 2015 YEAR 6 Residential – London

NEWSLETTER: January 30th 2015

Where did February disappear to? Perhaps it was the excitement of Valentines Day that did it! Another busy month! Lots of things going on in school! The biggest event this month was the History Curriculum Afternoon – thank you to those of you who supported this event on the day and by sending in ‘wonderful’ photos of yourselves when you were children.

This next half term is shorter than usual and so there is only 4 weeks left until we break up for Easter. Please remember that World Book Day is approaching AND Comic Relief (Details in the newsletter) and do please continue to check the noticeboard in the playground, the website and the newsletters to keep up to date with the latest events at the school.

Towards the end of this half term, there will be a number of Easter Events being organised. If you can help the School Association with any of these events, please contact the school office or Rachel Woodrow Archer.

Roll on the lighter evenings and the warmer weather!

Mr Stock HEADTEACHER



'BACK TO THE 80'S' FELIXSTOWE ACADEMY PRODUCTION

25/2/2015

Back to the 80's

Pupils from Year 6, Mrs Matthews and myself (Mr Stock) travelled to Felixstowe Academy to watch a production of 'Back To The 80's'. The production was extremely well put together and it was great to see ex pupils of TSM performing in front of us and pupils from Colneis, Grange, Kingsfleet and Causton. Some of the acting was very strong indeed and there were some standout singers which really blew the children away. The facilities at the academy were great with full staggered seating, stage microphones and professional lighting. The whole thing was set to an 80's soundtrack and the music was performed by the orchestra consisting of Felixstowe Academy pupils. It was a great afternoon - even though it was only myself and Mrs Matthews, and the teachers from the other schools, who actually laughed at the '80's' inspired jokes!

PARENT FORUM

25/2/2015

Parent Forum took place on Friday 13th February. A copy of the minutes are available on the SCHOOL COMMUNITY >> PARENTS page on the school website.

The next Parents Forum will take place on Friday 1st May 2015 at 14:30. Remember this is your opportunity to find out more information about what is happening in the school and raise any concerns that you may have. Everyone is invited and there is no commitment, so if you come along just for one occasion that is not a problem!

2ND REMINDER - WORLD BOOK DAY COMING SOON! - 5TH MARCH

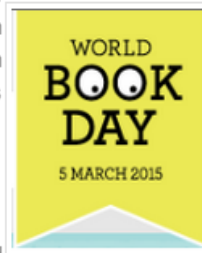
19/2/2015

We advertised this in the previous newsletter but just in case >>> The Annual World Book Day returns on March 5th and this year we have asked the children what they wanted to do to mark the occasion. You may remember that last year the school decided to allow pupils to dress up potatoes as their favourite book characters. This was mainly to reduce the burden of parents having to locate outfits and costumes etc which can be time consuming and sometime costly but also to change things a bit, to get out of the cycle of "Well... we've always done it this way....!"

This year, the children have indicated that they would like to dress up a favourite book character again. So, we thought it would be wise to give you advance notice of this. Now, as with other dressing up days - don't drive yourself round the bend with it! Do what you can! Remember the default option is to send child into school with non uniform! (There must be a book out there that has a child in it that wears everyday clothes - they can all be wizards and witches!).

There are some ideas on the World Book Day site - [click the link in the blog](#).

As before the school will distribute the World Book Day vouchers which can be used in any good book store. These will be handed out on the day of the event.



COMIC RELIEF 2015 - FRIDAY 13TH MARCH

3/2/2015

This year to raise money for Comic Relief, children will design fundraising activities which they can carry out in their own classes. Children will also be allowed to come to school in non-school uniform (no theme!). World Book Day is a week before this event and therefore we do not want to burden parents with having to locate another outfit. If children come into school in non-uniform on Friday 13th March they will need to donate £1 for the privilege.

Community Board

Please remember that the bay outside the school gate should be kept clear for Blue Badge Holders.
Mr Boulding (School Governor) will be carrying out regular checks and is armed with leaflets constructed by the pupils of this school to warn drivers about the bay and 3 point turning!

HISTORY AFTERNOON

11/02/2015

The history afternoon was extremely successful! Children had the opportunity to learn about their school from a number of different sources. They used artefacts, books, photos and interviewed ex pupils, ex parents of children who attended the school, ex cooks and ex teachers. The children learned a lot about Trimley and completed an activity where they had to be History Detectives and find answers to specific questions about the school. They also took up the challenge of trying to identify the current staff by looking at photos of when they were at school.

It was tough but the children did manage to work out that the handsome young chap below was in fact me just before I started at Nursery School. .



A huge thank you to all of the visitors who helped bring the history of Trimley St Martin to life and the parents and carers who came along to support the children in their quest to become History Detectives. Most importantly, I must thank the staff for setting up and planning such a valuable afternoon.

SWIMMING GALA SUCCESS!

4/2/2015



Today children from TSM made history at the Felixstowe Schools Swimming Gala! Ever since the competition started in 2009, the event has always been won by the same school. Today... Trimley St Martin add their names to the trophy as they won the overall event with a lead of about 13 points.

There were some outstanding individual performances from our swimmers but as always we were an amazing team; supporting each other, cheering each other on and being positive throughout.

As we won round 1, we will now go on to represent Felixstowe Schools in the area competition at Bury St Edmunds in July.

The team of adults that went along to support (myself, Mrs Matthews, Mr Child's and Mrs Tranter) were so proud of Team Trimley. We are one of the smallest schools in Felixstowe and yet we can compete with the biggest.

As you may remember, when I was growing up swimming was my sport! I devoted my life to it from the age of 5 up into my early twenties. Today, reminded me why I love the sport! The buzz was amazing and it brought back wonderful memories for me. I was praying for a Headteachers race - but no such luck! :)

This event was designed to ensure that all children (whatever level of swimmer they were) were able to compete. I'm doubly proud as Mrs Ross was the person who runs and organises this competition every year, it ran like clockwork, everyone had the chance to compete and the comments from the schools were extremely positive about how well coordinated and organised it was. Thank you Mrs Ross!

