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📖 **World Book Day Celebrations** 📖 What a wonderful week celebrating World Book Day! The children looked fantastic in their costumes – a huge thank you to everyone who made the effort, especially the amazing homemade outfits, which were very impressive.

Throughout the day the children enjoyed a range of activities including:

- A whole school World Book Day assembly with Mrs Roberts
- Reading with children from the Junior School
- Painting book-themed rocks inspired by favourite stories and character.
- A book hunt and playground reading activities run by our School Council
- Teachers sharing their favourite books with the class

This year is also the National Year of Reading, so it was especially lovely to see the children sharing their favourite books and characters. All children should have brought home a £1 World Book Day token, which can be used to choose one of the free World Book Day books available in bookshops, or used as £1 off any book or audiobook over £2.99. It's a great excuse for a visit to your local bookshop!

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Spring into Spring Fundraising Challenge This morning in assembly Mr O'Shea handed out 36 glittery bunny stickers to children who have already taken part in our Spring into Spring challenge - well done everyone! So far our school community has raised an incredible £1,642 in just one week with only 23 children signed up. Imagine what we could achieve if more children join in!

A special mention to Topaz Class, who are currently leading the way with the most money raised and the highest number of donations. The money raised will help the PTA continue improving our outdoor learning environments, and the class that raises the most will win a movie afternoon treat 🎬🍿 If you'd like to join in, it only takes a few minutes: Visit: <https://superkind.org/pta/crawley-ridge-infants-school-association> Find your child's class Click Join Campaign Share the link with family and friends. Then get active - walk cycle 🚲 run 🏃 dance 🕺 skip 🏸 or do anything active for Spring! Don't forget to post photos on the school Facebook page so your child can earn their bunny sticker 🐰

Parking Reminder Please remember to park safely and legally around the school. If you witness dangerous driving or illegal parking, you can report this directly to Surrey Heath Borough Council: ✉ parking.services@surreyheath.gov.uk Safety around our school site is incredibly important for both children and families.

Author Visit - Sean Perkins Next week we are delighted to welcome author Sean Perkins to school on Wednesday 11th March. He will be reading from his latest book Oscar and Ben - The Sleepover. The visit itself is free for the school, but if you would like your child to have a signed copy of the book, please return the order slip and payment by Tuesday 10th March. Prices: 📖 £8 for one book / £15 for two books / £22 for all three books. Books will be signed on the day and sent home with your child.



Amazon Wishlist - Thank You! We've received some more wonderful items from our Amazon Wishlist this week! Unfortunately these purchases did not include a note, so we've included a photo further down in the newsletter instead. Whoever you are - thank you so much for your kindness and generosity. These resources will be put to great use across the school: <https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3JCM5LNKCG6AG>

Have a lovely weekend everyone! 🌈

Mr O'Shea



DIARY DATES

- Nursery Stay & Plays - W/B 9th March
- Parents' Evening - Tuesday 10th March @ 16:30 - 19:30 & Thursday 12th March @ 15:30 - 18:00
- Sean Perkins Author visit - Wednesday 11th March
- TAMAT Music Concert (Selected year one children only) 17th March
- Year 2 Samba Workshop - Thursday 26th March
- Reception Easter Bonnet Parade - Friday 27th March @ 1pm
- **Break up for Easter - Friday 27th March @ 13:30**
- **INSET Day School closed to children - Monday 13th April**
- **Summer 1 Term Begins - Tuesday 14th April**
- Spring into Spring winning class - treat afternoon

A message from our Assistant Headteacher Mrs Roberts

This week's book recommendation is The Big Book of the UK - a fun and fantastic fact-filled book all about the wonder, history, culture and customs of the UK. It is the kind of book you can dip in and out of endlessly and is jam-packed with the weird and wonderful: did you know that it is illegal to fly a kite in the street or that there's a place called Catbrain in Gloucestershire?



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This week in Nursery we continued exploring our topic "Let's Grow." The children planted beans 🌱 and started a very exciting cress experiment, where we are testing whether cress grows better in the light or in the dark. The children have enjoyed making predictions and we will keep watching to see what happens! We also investigated different fruits and vegetables and found their seeds. We also enjoyed lots of creative activities, including making collage flowers, painting blossom trees, and using seeds to create artwork. On Thursday we celebrated World Book Day, with some fantastic costumes and lots of stories shared throughout the day. The children also enjoyed a special story time with Mrs Roberts – thank you! Next week we will begin learning about how we grow and change. If you haven't yet emailed in a photo of you with your child when they were a baby, please send this in by Monday. Thank you!



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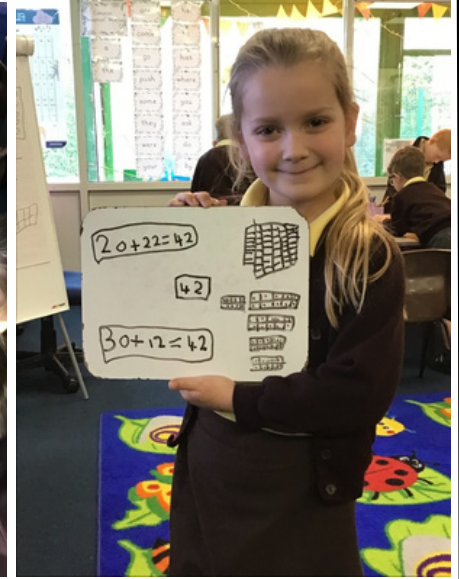
This week we have begun learning about *growing*, linked to our focus story ***The Tiny Seed by Eric Carle***. The children have been thinking about how plants grow and exploring this through a range of activities. As part of our topic, we planted new tree saplings kindly donated by the Woodland Trust and organised by Mrs Arnold. The children also started growing cress seeds in class. We will be observing these closely over the next few days and are looking forward to tasting them once they have grown. Our roleplay area has been transformed into a garden centre, which the children have enjoyed using to practise planting, buying, and ordering items through their writing. In our writing, the children thought about where they might "blow and land" if they were a seed. Using a selection of images for inspiration, they wrote their ideas on sticky notes and then created postcards from those places, describing what it was like. We have also encouraged fully independent writing this week as part of a TAMAT moderation piece. In maths, we continued working with the numbers 9 and 10. The children have been subitising, finding one more and one less, and exploring different number bonds to 10. We also marked World Book Day with a range of activities, including decorating story stones, making booklets, and sharing lots of stories together. It was lovely to see all the children dressed up and enjoying the day.



This week in KS1 we have...

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A wonderful week of learning in Year 1 and the sun has been shining too-what more can we ask for!!! This week we have continued on our journey with **Stuck by Oliver Jeffers**. We have been using our own plans to write our version of the story, putting ourselves into the place of Floyd the main character, getting our own things stuck in our tree. We have also been looking at our punctuation, trying to use exclamation marks to add emphasis in our writing. In Maths, we have returned to number and place value focussing on numbers between 20 and 50. We have revisited our understanding of 10s and 1s and how these make up our numbers. We experimented with representing 42 in different ways and also worked on pairing word representations with visual ones. During Science we carried out an experiment to discover which of our selected materials were waterproof and which were not. This is important because over the next few weeks we will be designing and making Mr Lynch a new waterproof running hat which he is going to wear and then we are going to pour water over him to see if our hat designs work and keep him dry. This half term we have again swapped back to Design and Technology (DT) which for this block of learning is all about healthy eating, understanding different food groups and a little bit of food hygiene and preparation. The purpose of all this will be for the children to make a fruit salad in school, washing, preparing and chopping all the fruit themselves. And of course, the highlight of our week was World Book Day. The children got to read with some of the children from Crawley Ridge Junior School on the playground in the morning, whilst in the afternoon they were able to decorate a pebble in a style connected to their story or character. The children looked fabulous in all of their costumes and the staff looked pretty great too! Have a good weekend. The Year 1 Team.



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This week we have continued reading **'Tell Me a Dragon' by Jackie Morris**. We wrote character descriptions of the dragons the children created last week. The children did a fantastic job of using similes and expanded noun phrases to describe their dragon's appearance and used interesting adjectives to describe their dragon's personality. In maths the children have been learning to measure length and height in centimetres and metres. In D.T. this week the children had a lot of fun designing their own masks. Next week the children will begin making their own carnival masks based on their designs. We can't wait! In science, we learnt about the process of how a plastic bottle is recycled. In geography we have continued learning about Brazil. The children used atlases to identify and compare geographical features in Brazil and the U.K. This week the children were also excited to celebrate World Book Day. The children were thrilled to dress up as a favourite book character and painting a representation of their favourite books on rocks. They were also excited to share treasured stories and books with Year 3 and 4 from Crawley Ridge Junior School.



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The Nurture Hub

This week in the Nurture Hub, we began our Easter crafting activities. The children thoroughly enjoyed painting eggs and adding plenty of colour and embellishments.

We made full use of the sunshine this week and spent time on the field with footballs and rocket launchers. The children also enjoyed playing with the bats and balls — always a firm favourite!

When the weather was dry, we were excited to reopen the water tray, filling it with colourful plastic fish for the children to catch using small nets. We also set up the tuff tray with playdough and accessories, which the children always love.

We are still on the lookout for any outdoor toys, as we love to make the most of the sunshine and spend as much time outdoors as we can.



PTA

Don't forget to order your **Mother's Day Tea and Cake takeaway** by Monday 9th March. Orders can be made on the portal www.pta-events.co.uk/cris takeaway collection from the KS1 playground Gazebo on Friday 13th March at School pick-up.

Spring into Spring - two weeks to go. It's been great seeing how many of the CRIS Children have been busy in the lovely sunshine, only two more weeks to go! Which class will win the movie treat...

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Clubs

Bookings are currently live for all clubs and can be made by contacting them directly. The flyers have been uploaded in the [Clubs section of our school website](#).



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Playball Nursery 8.30am - 9am		Playball Nursery 8.30am - 9am	
Playball Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	Playball Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	Hotsteppers Dance Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm	Boogie Pumps Drama Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm	
	Camberley Judo Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm	Playball Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	14 Sports Football NEW! Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm	
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