

Friday 4th March 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

I was pleased to welcome the children back to school after the half term holiday and I hope you enjoyed the break with your children.

Conrad Burdekin

As part of our World Book Day celebrations, the children enjoyed a visit this week from a local author and poet who read stories and poems to the children including the Legend of Filey Brigg and The Magpie and The Crown. The children really enjoyed his funny repartee and joined in enthusiastically with his sessions. A collection of Conrad's poetry books have been added to our new library.

World Book Day

Yesterday, the school was a blaze of colour with a wide variety of costumes, funny hair styles and painted faces and that was just the staff! The children enjoyed a number of activities celebrating our love of reading. These included buddy reading, character mash ups, book reviews, character dinner party menus, designing book front covers, book quizzes and lots lots more. The vending machine is now up and running and the first children have been rewarded for achieving gold and have collected their books from the machine. Check out the pictures on our Facebook page.

Bikeability

Year 1 have been enjoying bikeability sessions throughout the week and not even the wet and windy weather could dampen their spirits.

Parents evening

The next parents evening is coming up on the **Tuesday 15th** and **Wednesday 16th of March** and whilst we will continue to do these on Teams at the moment, we do intend to have an open evening in the summer term, when we will invite you in to look around your child's classroom and the school. You will also have an opportunity to see your child's work. Dates for these events will follow shortly.

School Lunches

The way in which we order lunches in school is going to be changing shortly.

As of **Monday 14th March**, your child will need to ensure that they are having **either** packed lunches **or** school meals - unfortunately from this date, we will be unable to facilitate a mixture of the two.

Any future changes to meal choices will have to be made in writing by emailing admin@horburyprimary.accordmat.org and will take effect as of the next Monday from when the request has been made and confirmed by the Admin team.

Please could I also respectfully request that dinners are paid for in advance, and at the moment this is still to be done using the ParentPay system as unfortunately the MCAS system for dinners is still not working correctly.

Comic relief

This is coming up on **Friday 18th March** and we will be doing a number of activities in school to raise money for this worthwhile cause. Watch out for a letter coming out soon with further details.

Finally, what an exciting first week back I am sure the children have really enjoyed many different things again this week. Have a lovely weekend and lets hope the spring continues to push away the winter blues!

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'JK Tomlinson', written in a light grey or blue ink.

Miss JK Tomlinson
Headteacher