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Tuesday 1st March 2022

Dates for your Diary

Friday 4th March

Dress up Word Aware Day. Please see on the second page.

Wednesday 9th March

Class photographs

Believe and Achieve

Stop, think, read!

Did you know that numerous research projects claim to be able to directly link a child's success at GCSE level with how often quality reading takes **place at home** between the ages of 5 and 11.

Or to put it more bluntly, the more often parents are prepared to hear their children read the more success their child will achieve.

At school we are fully aware of how busy life can be and that after a busy day at work or home engaging with your child and their reading might not be top of the things you wish to do but who doesn't want their child to succeed?



Throughout March we are throwing down the gauntlet about how many times can you read with your child over the week, three, four or more times? It doesn't have to be for long periods of time. A quality 10 minutes can be as rewarding for the child as the parent.

Please remember no dogs are allowed on the school site, **including being carried.**

If you are tying your dog up outside school please do not do it near an entrance.



Knowledge Organisers@Wembrook (KOW's)

New KOW's will be coming home this week. The KOW@s contains some of the essential knowledge that children will need to know as part of the new topic they will be studying in class. These Knowledge Organisers are designed to be used at home by parents to help children learn the information contained within. We want every pupil to be able to recall the information on these sheets off by heart by the end of the topic. It maybe that teacher will set a small section of the Knowledge Organiser to be learned by heart for homework. This knowledge will be tested at the end of the half term. Please note that children do not have to learn the exact wording of the definitions and facts included although this should be encouraged where possible. If they can put the information in their own words this is acceptable. We will also be learning the same information in class. The best way to use the Knowledge Organiser at home is as follows;

- Children read the information from the section to be learned (possibly with an adult)
- They then try and recall the information (this can be written down or verbally)
- An adult tests them on the information
- The key to success is to repeat this regularly over the week
- **The work is designed to be age appropriate for your child. If your child is already confident with much of the information then more challenging work will be set. If they find the work too challenging it will be differentiated.**



Draw String Bags

Please remember, that from this half term no draw string bags should be in school. Thank you

Word Aware Day- Friday 4th March

On Friday the 4th of March, instead of dressing as a book character for World Book Day, we would like all children to come dressed as a word. If you google 'vocabulary dressing up day', you'll be able to get some ideas. The word will also need attaching to the costume or be incorporated into the design. We're hoping everyone will get involved to create a real buzz about words! The more creative the better!!!!

