

THE POCHIN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Welcome back to the second half of the Spring Term! We hope that you had a wonderful half term break.

We have lots of exciting things in store - including World Book Day! Make sure to look out for your individual class newsletters for more detail of what your child(ren) will get to experience in their classes.

The end of last half term saw lots of learning happening in classes - take a look!

All classes had the opportunity to take part in a drumming workshop with DCP Drums



Class 1 had a great time making pancakes!

Key Stage 1 went out and about in Barkby as part of their Geography fieldwork.



Class 3 and 4 took part in a live assembly from Alim Kamara and created some poetry!



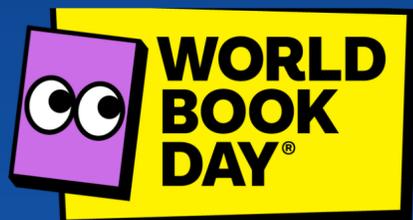
Class 5 have also been out and about in Barkby as part of their Geography fieldwork.

They concluded that we need a CAR PARK!



Upcoming Important Dates

MARCH



2ND - 7TH NATIONAL CAREERS WEEK

3RD - 4TH PARENTS' EVENING

4TH HOLI FESTIVAL OF COLOUR - DANCE WORKSHOPS

5H WORLD BOOK DAY

13TH - 22ND BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK

13TH COMIC RELIEF

20TH EID

23RD A POWERFUL TALK RELEVANT TO ALL FAMILIES (PROGRESSIVE MASCULINITY)

24TH CLASS PHOTOS

27TH EASTER SERVICE

30TH MARCH - 10TH APRIL EASTER HOLIDAYS



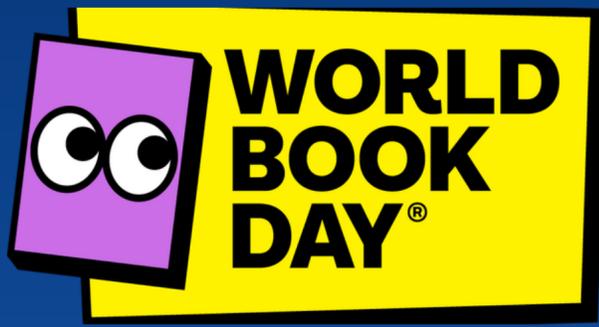
APRIL

13TH SUMMER TERM 1 STARTS

20TH & 21ST PROGRESSIVE MASCULINITY PUPIL WORKSHOPS

WATCH THIS SPACE FOR OTHER EVENTS SUCH AS FOOTBALL!





This year, World Book Day will be on
Thursday 5th March 2026!

We invite the children to come dressed as their
favourite book character or author!

See some inspiration!



**LOOK OUT FOR THE SCHOOL BOOK FAIR FROM
WEDNESDAY 25TH FEBRUARY UNTIL THURSDAY 5TH**

MARCH

**World Book Day Competition: Design a National Book Token competition
2026**

It's time to **GO ALL IN** on reading and get creative!

To celebrate World Book Day and the UK's National Year of Reading 2026, National Book Tokens are inviting children of all ages to **DESIGN A NATIONAL BOOK TOKEN**. Please see the attached template for the competition! Prizes in school and nationally!

For more details, visit:

<https://www.worldbookday.com/competitions/design-a-national-book-token-competition-2026/>

For the national competition, this year's winners will be selected by three very special guest judges: bestselling authors and illustrators Paddy Donnelly, Nadia Shireen and Sonia Leong!

FIRST PRIZE IN EACH AGE RANGE WINS: you could win... **SECOND PRIZE IN EACH AGE RANGE WINS:**

£350

**NATIONAL BOOK TOKENS FOR THE
SCHOOL**

£200

**NATIONAL BOOK TOKENS FOR THE
SCHOOL**

£100

NATIONAL BOOK TOKENS FOR THE PUPIL

£50

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To celebrate and promote the UK's National Year of Reading 2026, we have created the . . .

READING BINGO CHALLENGE!

EACH YEAR GROUP HAS 25 SPECIALLY SELECTED BOOKS - INCLUDING POETRY, NON-FICTION, GRAPHIC NOVELS AND A WIDE RANGE OF FICTION GENRES. THIS IS A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU TO SHARE A STORY AND DEVELOP THAT LOVE OF READING WITH YOUR CHILD!



YEAR 4 READING BINGO CHALLENGE
 'A WHOLE LOT OF FUN; PRIZES TO BE WON!'

CHALLENGE 1: COMPLETE A LINE: HORIZONTAL, VERTICAL OR DIAGONAL
 • COMPLETE THE REVIEWS

CHALLENGE 2: COMPLETE THE 4 CORNERS
 • COMPLETE THE REVIEWS

CHALLENGE 3: COMPLETE A FULL HOUSE
 • COMPLETE THE REVIEWS

CHALLENGE ACCEPTED

Each child will have been given a pack with their BINGO CARD for their year group, as well as some review templates, and will work their way through the following challenges:

CHALLENGE 1:

- COMPLETE A LINE: HORIZONTAL, VERTICAL OR DIAGONAL
- COMPLETE THE REVIEWS

CHALLENGE 2:

- COMPLETE THE 4 CORNERS
- COMPLETE THE REVIEWS

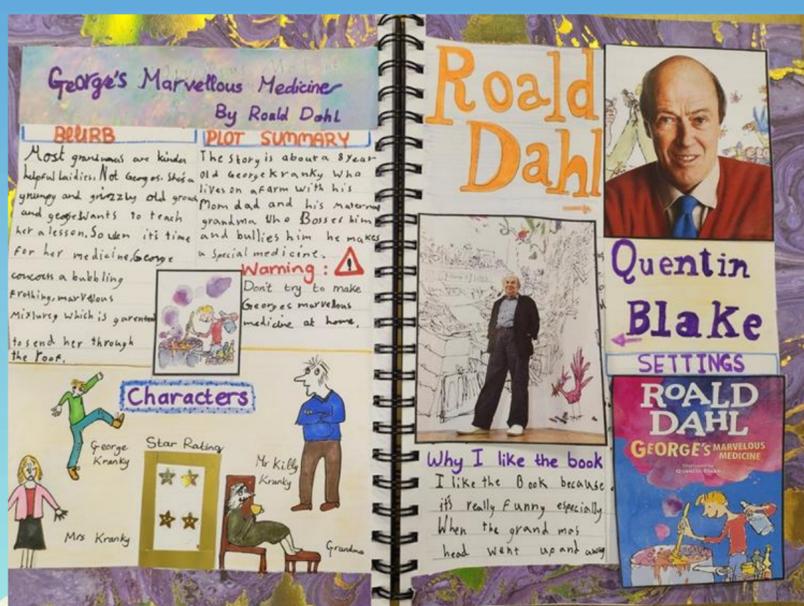
CHALLENGE 3:

- COMPLETE A FULL HOUSE
- COMPLETE THE REVIEWS

READING SCRAPBOOKS

We have also introduced READING SCRAPBOOKS for each class.

Each week, on a Friday, a child from each class will take the scrapbook home and create their own pages in the books - then these will be shared with the whole school as part of our Friday Celebration Assembly



Get creative and support your child to create a double-page spread with a recommendation for their classmates and families.