



We hope you all had a restful half-term break. This half-term, we are looking forward to continuing our theme of 'China'.

Last half term the children enjoyed writing Traditional Chinese Tales; writing instructions to make their own Chinese Lanterns, and designing and creating their own Chinese Dragon fabric pictures.



Dates for your Diary

- **Year 2 national assessment period May 2020** - Requests for a child's absence, such as a holiday, during this period will be declined.
- **Phonics Screening Check Monday 8th to Friday 12th June 2020** - Applicable to some year 2 children (you will already know if your child will be taking the check)
- **Last day in school of the Spring term Friday 3rd April 2020**
- **Back to school for the Summer term Tuesday 21st April 2020**

Other dates to note

- **Firefighters visiting Year 2** - Wednesday 4th March 2020
- **World Book Day Thursday 5th March** - Dress up as a book character or dress to an 'under the sea' theme. Fun activities are planned throughout the day based on a book that is to be revealed on the day.
- **'Chance to Shine' cricket sessions** - 2nd April 2020
- **Class photos** - 11th March 2020
- **Childnet workshop** - 26th March 2020
- **Photographer in for prospectus photographs** - Tuesday 24th March 2020

Homework Summary

Reading book - Bring in each day (aim to read daily and record in the Reading Record - remember to colour 1 box on the sheet in the back every day that you read at home)

Home spelling book - Bring in on a Friday (Learn on Monday - Thursday) Use Spelling Shed to also help practise spellings. Your child's login is in their Reading Record.

Mathematics Homework book - Bring in on a Wednesday (Complete on Thursday - Tuesday)

Additional work, such as reading keywords, may be sent home in addition to this homework.

SATS Support Booklets - Please continue to work through the support materials which were sent home last half term, at the KS1 Assessment meeting. They will help your child become familiar with the expectations and variety of questions covered in the assessments which will give them confidence when they complete the national assessments in May.

If your child would like to complete any activities at home, based on the theme of China, we would be delighted to see their work and will give time for your child to share what they have done with the whole class.

School Uniform

Please check all items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child's name. If your child wears earrings, please provide them with micropore tape to cover the earrings for PE lessons.

PE

Our PE days are now Monday and Thursday. Please ensure that your child has the correct, full PE kit for every PE lesson. This should include a white top, black shorts, black tracksuit bottoms, trainers and a red jumper. Please ensure that all items of clothing are named.

Show and Tell

'Show and Tell' will continue to happen on a Friday afternoon. We will work down a class list and have 3 children each week. I will send a note home with your child when it is their turn for 'Show and Tell'.

If there are any achievements out of school then we would love to hear about them and these can be shared in Friday's celebration assembly with the rest of the school.

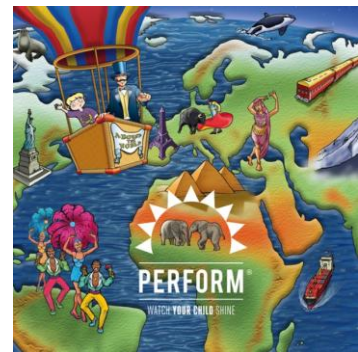
Around the World Drama Workshop

We were very pleased to receive a visit from [Perform](#) on Monday 24th February. The children had a wonderful time exploring the theme of [Around The World](#) and using drama, dance and singing to help develop their confidence, concentration and social skills.

To complement the workshop, there is a free educational app for iPhones and iPads based around the theme of *Around The World*. It contains fun games, creative tasks and videos of the themed songs and dances. Click [here](#) to download it free or [here](#) to find out more about the *Around The World* theme.

Perform run regular weekly classes in the local area and they are offering a **special introductory discount** to all parents of Wixams Tree Primary School if they come along for a free trial session before Monday 16th March.

To claim your discount, just call Perform on 020 7255 9120 quoting **WTPS160320** or book online at perform.org.uk.



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