

Dear Parents/Carers,

It is hard to believe that we are half-way through the school year already! The children as always have been working hard in their classes developing their learning, and it has been great to see the excellent quality of their work as I wander around the classes.

### **Internet Safety Day**

All classes took part in Internet Safety Day on Tuesday 11th February. Please ask your child about this.

**14 - 16 FEBRUARY  
2025**



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### **Waterstones Children's Book Festival 14th – 16th February (Lincoln)**

Please click on the link to access information about the first ever Waterstones Children's Book Festival taking place in Lincoln from today until Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

<https://www.waterstones.com/waterstones-children-book-festival>

Bursting with events featuring bestselling and beloved children's authors, including Skandar creator [A.F. Steadman](#), the graphic novel genius behind Heartstopper [Alice Oseman](#), Bunny vs Monkey legend [Jamie Smart](#) and all-round children's literature icon [Jacqueline Wilson](#), the festival boasts a huge variety of events and activities to suit all ages.

Hear your favourite authors talk about how they create fictional worlds or unlock your own storytelling potential in one of our writing workshops. Find out how to mix words and pictures in our comic book creation sessions or say hello to beloved characters with a series of fun costume appearances. There is so much to see and do at the Waterstones Children's Book Festival that makes it the ideal destination for all young bookworms.

Events will take place in different locations across the heart of the city, including The Engine Shed, Southside, Lincoln Central Library, and our beautiful bookshop positioned on the High Street – so join us for an unforgettable family-friendly celebration of stories and illustration.

[Tickets are on sale now](#) and more events are to be announced.

### **Houses of Parliament Trip**

On 17th March we have arranged for our Year 5/6 pupils to visit the Houses of Parliament in London. This is an experience that we have done a few times along with our friends at Scampton School. It is an excellent trip that enables children to understand how our country is governed. It will include a short, carefully planned walk along the embankment, a workshop in the Parliament Education Centre and a tour of the Houses of Parliament. This is a great learning opportunity for our pupils.

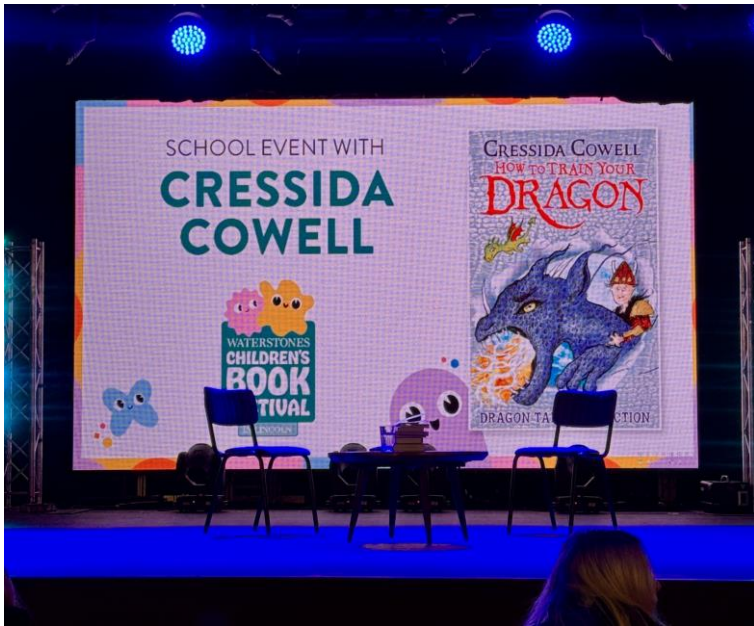
### **World Book Day**

On Thursday 6th March, we will be celebrating World Book Day. Children are invited to come dressed up as their favourite book character and we will be taking part in a wide range of activities throughout the day. We will be exploring the Little People, Big Dreams books, learning about how people have fought for equality and those who have made positive changes around the world! Children will also take part in buddy reading in their houses, listening to their teachers' favourite stories and lots more book related fun!

### **Diary Dates**

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| <b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February</b>     | Term 4 starts                               |
| <b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March</b>       | World Book Day                              |
| <b>Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March</b>         | FOIS Fashion show                           |
| <b>W/C 10<sup>th</sup> March</b>           | Parent Teacher Consultations                |
| <b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March</b>        | Oak class visit to the Houses of Parliament |
| <b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March</b>        | Comic Relief                                |
| <b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March</b>      | Rowan Class Assembly 3pm                    |
| <b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April</b>         | End of Term 4                               |
| <b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April</b>     | Term 5 starts                               |
| <b>Week commencing 12<sup>th</sup> May</b> | Year 6 SATS week                            |
| <b>Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May</b>          | End of Term 5                               |
| <b>Monday 2nd June</b>                     | Term 6 starts                               |
| <b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June</b>       | Willow class assembly 3pm                   |
| <b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June</b>        | Sports Day 1:15pm                           |
| <b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June</b>        | Reserve Sports Day 1:15pm                   |
| <b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July</b>          | Arts Exhibition pm                          |
| <b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July</b>       | KS2 Performance                             |
| <b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July</b>        | Leavers Assembly and End of Term 6          |

Maple class had a fantastic morning at the Waterstones Children's Book Festival at the LPAC in Lincoln this morning. They got to meet and listen to authors Cressida Cowell and Frank Cottrell-Boyce.



Remy and Ella came to tell me about the morning on their return to school. Ella said "Frank really made us all laugh. He was so funny." Remy said " Frank told us about his inspiration for Cosmic. He told us lots of funny stories." They both told me that Cressida Cowell was good too and they enjoyed watching her trailers for her books and her movie. They told me they'd had an amazing morning!

As always, please do pop and see me or catch me at the gate if you have any queries or concerns. Have a lovely half term holiday and I look forward to seeing you on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February.

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