

### *Shoo Rayner*

We welcomed Shoo Rayner into school just before half term to work with the children in each class and officially open our new-look library. The children had a great day as did Shoo – in a follow up email he commented on how well the children listened throughout the day and the warm atmosphere in school.

### *Parents' Evening*

Places for next weeks' Parents' evening are filling up – if you haven't yet booked your space some are still available and can be booked through your e-Schools account.

### *World Book Day*

To celebrate World Book Day this year, children should bring their favourite book to school and are welcome to wear non uniform to school in return for a donation of £1 per family. We will be using this money to buy more books for the school.

### *Netball*

Congratulations to the children who represented Steam Mills at the local Netball Tournament. When the final scores were added, they came second overall losing out to eventual winners, St Whites by 2 points.

### *School Uniform*

Kelly at Pre-School has some left over stock of school cardigans, PE tops and book bags from Deezynes. If you would like to purchase any items, please pop in.

### *Attendance Policy/Missing Child*

Please be aware that following advice received, the attendance policy has been updated with new safeguarding procedures. If a child is not in school and we have not been able to make contact with anyone on their emergency contact list by 10.00am, the school will report the child as missing using the police 101 service. Therefore, please ensure that you get in touch with us if your child is absent and that your emergency contact details for family members and friends are correct. This follows very sad incidents across the UK where children have been at significant risk of harm with the school unaware of where they are.

## Diary Dates

### March

- 4<sup>th</sup> Class 3 Music Festival @Cheltenham Town Hall
- 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Y5 Bikeability training
- 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Parents Evening
- 7<sup>th</sup> World Book Day
- 15<sup>th</sup> Red Nose Day
- 26<sup>th</sup> Class 3 visit to Caerleon
- 26<sup>th</sup> Governors' Meeting

### April

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Class 2 last swimming
- 5<sup>th</sup> Last day of term
- 23<sup>rd</sup> INSET – No school for children
- 24<sup>th</sup> Return to school
- 24<sup>th</sup> Class 4 start swimming

### May

- 6<sup>th</sup> Bank Holiday
- 13<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> Y6 SATS
- 20<sup>th</sup> Class Photographs
- 24<sup>th</sup> Sponsored Walk
- 24<sup>th</sup> Last day of term

### June

- 3<sup>rd</sup> INSET – No school for children
- 4<sup>th</sup> Return to school
- 4<sup>th</sup> Class 3 start Gymnastics
- 12<sup>th</sup> Pre-School Sports Day
- 13<sup>th</sup> Sports Day

### July

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Governors' Meeting
- 15<sup>th</sup> Leavers' Production – 1.30pm
- 16<sup>th</sup> Leavers' Production – 6pm
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Leavers' Service – 1.30pm
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Last day of term

## Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Once again we will be collecting items to be made up into Christmas shoeboxes for children.

During March we will be collect soap, flannels, toothbrushes and toothpaste.

## United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child

The Rights that we are exploring in March are:

Article 6 – Every child has the right to life.

Article 7 – Every child has the right to have a name and a nationality.

Article 30 – Every child has the right to their own language.



## Steam Mills Superstars!



**Pre-School**      **Henry and Jack Z**

**Class 1**            **Eva and Jack**

**Class 2**            **Tehya-Rose and George**

**Class 3**            **Finley D and Isla**

**Class 4**            **Ethan and Riley**