



MARTINS WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

19th January 2024



HIGHLIGHTS

- **Learning – In the classroom**
- **Dates for your diaries**
- **Engagement with your child's learning**

We have some great learning this week and we have sent news announcing some great future opportunities for your children. We are hard at work finding ways to bring the curriculum to life for the children!

Year 2 – Maths

In Year 2, the children have been learning to read the time. They have looked at the many different aspects and have been trying work it out to the nearest five minutes. They have used the class clocks to help them and challenged themselves by working out the duration of different events in minutes.



Saplings – Winter Topic

The Saplings children have been looking at language using the topic Winter. They have been looking at ice and snow (fake snow for now) and have been learning how to describe things with words such as cold, hard, soft, slippery and one child even said the ice was shiny.



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Year 4 – Healthy Eating Workshop



Year 4 children took part in a healthy eating workshop this week. The children first listened to a talk about what constitutes healthy eating and then discussed the requirements of a healthy balanced diet. They then talked about what they would need to do if they ate more calories than they used. They decided that they could exercise more. They finally got to taste 4 different fruits to see which ones they preferred.



Engaging with your child's learning

Reading – Go Read/ Boom Reader



The school provides a few different ways that give you the opportunity to engage with your child's learning. One extremely important way is to listen to your child read. We no longer provide reading records and have invested in a quick and easy to use app. 'Boom reader' enables us to quickly link the reading your child does at home with the reading that is completed when in school. We therefore ask that if you have not already done so you remember to login and record your child's reading by using the 'BoomReader' app. If you are unsure please see the poster below on how to do this. If you have lost your child's login details please contact your child's class teacher.

Early year – Tapestry



In our Early years (Reception, Nursery and Saplings) we regularly update you on your child's learning achievements by posting observations within the Tapestry App. We also post home learning opportunities and ideas for you to engage with your child's current topic. We love to celebrate this so would appreciate if you could post any learning or significant event your child has achieved or experienced when not at school.



11th –15th March

We will be celebrating all things STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) over the week of the 11th to 15th of March and are looking for people to inspire our children during this time. Thank you to those that have volunteered so far but we are still looking for more so if you work within these fields and would be available for an afternoon that week to talk to children about what you do, please contact the school office. Nearer the time we will come back with further details.

Diary Dates

Year 5 CPR - Workshop
Friday 2nd February

Parents Consultation Evenings
Tuesday 13th and Thursday
15th February

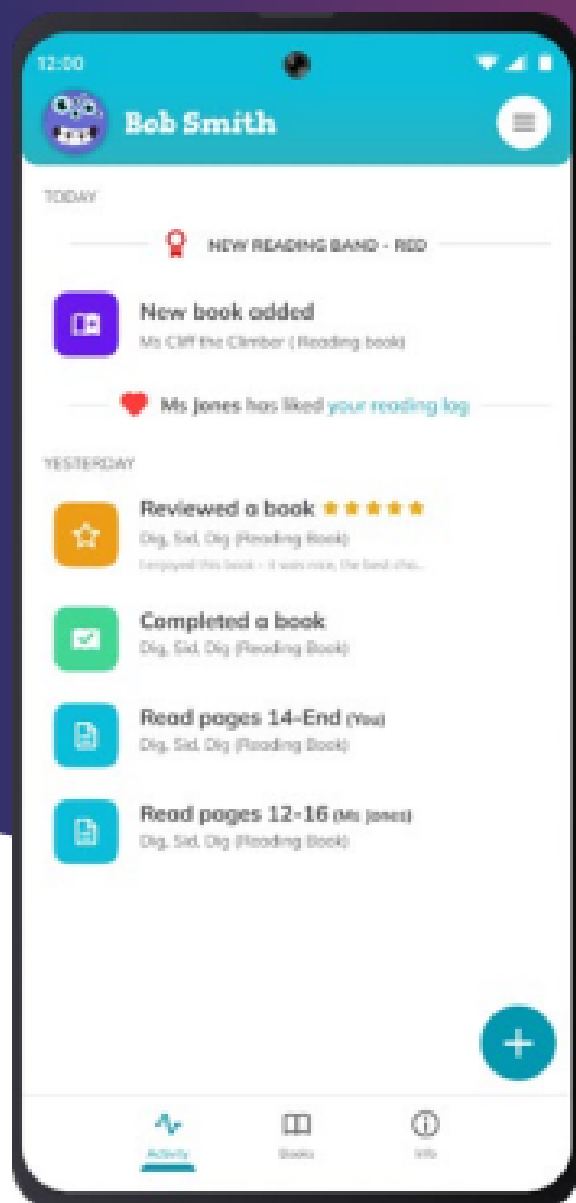
February Half Term
Mon 19th February - Fri 23rd
February 2024

Year 6 STEM Center Visit
Friday 2nd February

Book Fair
Begins Thursday 29th February

World Book Day
Thursday 7th March

End of Term
Thursday 28th March - 2:00pm



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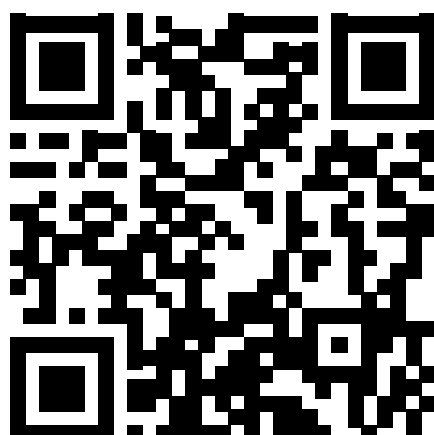
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(Using the school code & PIN)



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