



THE GRIFFIN GAZETTE

Keeping you up to date

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Spring Term Week 8

It was the hottest day of the year so far on Thursday, just in time for World Book Day! Thank you so much for your tremendous efforts with this – your children looked wonderful (as did the staff – see below!). The day started with children from Year 2/Reception, and Year 1/Nursery sharing their favourite books and the teachers reading a story to another year group. Unfortunately, I was at Lawrence Sheriff School on a course all day, and so did not dress up, but I really enjoyed seeing the children at morning wraparound and then reading children a bedtime story in the evening. I really enjoyed observing a lesson in Nursery on Thursday, where children were learning about emotions using colours and then watching a rainbow being created from 'Skittles' – there was certainly a sense of awe and wonder (and plenty of science) as the colours bled away from the sweets.

Our Reception children have been super excited this week, as they have been watching the eggs in the incubator, looking for cracks and being awarded by the appearance of the chicks. They were very gentle when handling them today.

In Year 1 this week, the children studied aerial photos of London, learnt to identify chassis and axles in their Design and Technology (DT) and celebrated World Book Day with potions, castles and masks.

Year 2 children have been continuing their learning about 'Marvellous Monarchs', focussing on William the Conqueror this week, as well as learning about apostrophes for omission! Have a fabulous weekend everyone.



MAT Consultation

Accompanying this newsletter is information about the formation of 'The Sheriff Partnership', a MAT that Lawrence Sheriff School are forming. We are hoping to join this MAT as their first school from 1st September 2026. This has always been the plan, since opening with Lawrence Sheriff as our sponsor school and we already work in a collaborative way. There is currently a consultation in progress at Lawrence Sheriff School, running until midday on Monday 13 April 2026 and parents from The Griffin are invited to attend a consultation meeting at Lawrence Sheriff School on Monday 16 March 2026 between 5-6pm. There is also a link within the document for parents to provide their comments.

[CONSULTATION](#)



Parent Forum

I am delighted to say that we have a group of parents from all years who have volunteered to be on this group. This will allow me to discuss and consult on key areas of development or to gather feedback throughout the year. Our first meeting will take place before the Easter Holiday.

Marvellous Monarchs

On 25th March, Year 2 children are having a workshop which will enable them to meet and question some historical figures in school – what a fantastic learning experience! This is a reminder that Year 2 parents are still able to make a voluntary contribution of £11.50 to help cover the cost of this learning experience.

'Happy, Kind and Confident'

Star of the Week Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to our stars of the week:

Nursery – Penny for her confident contributions in class lessons.

Reception – Brody for making great progress in the classroom this week.

Year 1 – Arlo for his unwavering kindness, patience and consistent effort.

Year 2 – Esmæ for always doing her best, not only in the classroom but in every aspect of school life.

Presentation Awards

Reception – Harley for his excellent letter formation.

Year 1 – Harriet for the care she is taking with her writing, using capital letters and full stops and spotting her own small errors.

Year 2 – Arvinder for working so hard on the size of his letters and his joining – it looks beautiful!

Mr. Martin's PE Award

There will be double awards next week.

House Points

Well done to everyone in Emerald House for earning the most Dojo points this week.

Values Ambassadors

Congratulations to this half term's ambassadors who are:

We are Considerate: Sienna, Chloe, Arthur

We are Kind: Penny, Moussa, Riya

We Talk: Zayden, Alfie, Alex

We are Respectful: Nika, Arlo, Oscar

We Listen: Mishika, Henry C, Summer

Reception's Values Ambassadors will be notified and presented next week.

Comic Relief Cake Sale

As well as being able to wear clothing of your own choice (dress down) on Friday 13th March, we will also be holding a cake sale, both in aid of Comic Relief, an amazing British charity founded in 1985 that uses comedy, entertainment, and popular culture to raise money and awareness to tackle poverty and injustice in the UK and around the world. These will be on sale at the end of the day and children at wraparound will also be able to buy them at that time or when parents collect.

Donations of cakes would be much appreciated – please bring them to the office on the day.

Forthcoming Dates for the Diary – 2026!

10/03 Parents' Online Safety Information Evening – 6pm

13/03 Comic Relief – Dress Down & Cake Sale

13/03 Silent Disco – further information to follow

13/03 Wonderful Women (Mothers and Others) Gift Trolley – further information to follow

16-20/03 The Big Walk and Wheel

17, 18 & 19/03 Nursery Parents' Evenings

23/03 IEP Review Meetings – relevant parents have been notified of these meetings.

25/03 Marvellous Monarchs Workshop – Year 2

27/03 Easter Bonnet Parade – 2.30pm

30/03 – 13/04 EASTER HOLIDAY

13/04 Teacher Training Day

14/04 Summer Term Starts

08/05 Family Bingo Evening

12/06 Class Photos

19/06 Marvellous Men (Fathers and Others) Gift Trolley

11/07 Summer Fayre & Farmers' Market

News from the FROGS – Next Events

There are a lot of exciting events coming up –

13/03 Silent Disco

We are hosting a silent disco on Friday March 13th.

Nursery and Reception children are from 3.30-4.15pm and Year 1 and Year 2 children are from 4.30-5.30pm.

Tickets are £3.00.

13/03 Wonderful Women Gift Trolley – if your child would like to buy a gift for a wonderful woman in their life, e.g. mother, grandmother, aunt the FROGS they can choose one from the trolley – just in time for Mothers' Day! The cost is £3 for 1 gift or £5 for 2.

Payments for both of these events will be cash.

Please bring in an envelope with correct cash in, with your child's full name, year group and which event it is for on the front.

There are 2 postboxes by the office for you to put your payments in.

The deadline is 11th March at 6pm.