

# Weekly Newsletter



12<sup>th</sup> January 2018

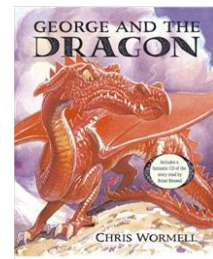
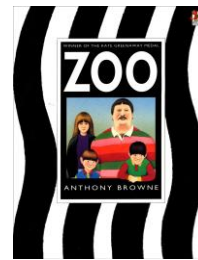
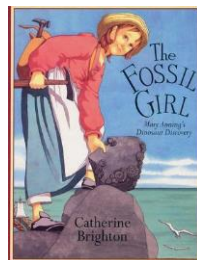
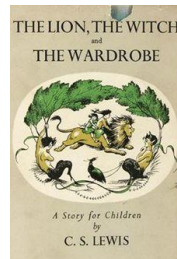
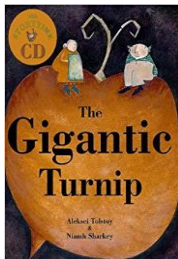
A very Happy New Year to you all! Where did the holidays go? Time flew by and we were back in school before we knew it!

The children have come back to school ready to learn and have all reflected on their own New Year's resolutions about their work. We will be referring back to these as the term progresses.

Thank you to those of you who have encouraged the children to complete the extra Behaviour for Learning homework challenges – there are some amazingly creative pieces of work around school. It is a pleasure to see the children's enthusiasm when sharing what they have done.

I have been delighted to see so many children bringing examples of good work from class for me to celebrate with them – a real high point of my week.

We have made some changes to the way we teach English across the school, putting a greater emphasis on sharing high quality texts with the children and providing increased opportunities for writing. Teachers are already commenting on the positive impact it is having on children's motivation to write – a great start!! Year 6 have been studying a book about Mary Anning, 'The Fossil Girl'. In Year 5, they have used the book, 'Zoo' by Anthony Browne as the stimulus for writing balanced arguments about zoos. Daedalus and Icarus, a Greek Myth has been the text in Year 4, linking with their Ancient Greece topic and in Year 3, they are enjoying The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe. Year 2 have been reading 'George and the Dragon' and are busy writing stories based on the tale. This links well with their Castle topic. Finally Year 1 are looking at traditional tales over this half term, starting with the story of The Gigantic Turnip.



## New Website

A reminder that our new website is up and running and the address is :

[www.kingsfield.cambs.sch.uk](http://www.kingsfield.cambs.sch.uk)

Please keep a look out for up to date information from teachers on the Year Group pages.

## Praise Assembly

These assemblies will start again next week. We will have a focus on a different behaviour for learning each week beginning with Creativity.

# Pinocchio

As a new year's treat, we have booked for the pantomime to come to school. Lower school will have their performance on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January and upper school on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January.

## News and Requests from Reception

The children have come back well and are already very enthusiastic about this half term's topic of Traditional Tales. The first story we are looking at is 'The Three Little Pigs'. The children have excitedly joined in with the story, with some trying really hard to use lots of expression in their voices.

To help with this topic, we would like to ask for some help! If you have any big sheets of cardboard, or bricks, we would be very grateful for any donations.

We also would like to ask any keen knitters whether they would be interested in knitting some traditional tale characters. If you think you could help, please come and see a member of reception staff.



### *SPECIAL LUNCH DAY*

On Thursday 18th January there will be a change of menu. It will be Burger with salad & chips followed by Ice Cream with toppings instead of the Roast Pork.

## Diary Dates

Date	Events
15 <sup>th</sup> January	Pantomime – Pinocchio for Lower school
18 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 3 Cambridge trip
19 <sup>th</sup> January	Phonic Screening information events for Year 1 parents
29 <sup>th</sup> January	Pantomime – Pinocchio for Upper school
30 <sup>th</sup> January 6pm	Year 2 SATS information evening
31 <sup>st</sup> January	Year 4 to Fitzwilliam Museum
7 <sup>th</sup> -9 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 4 Burwell House
12 <sup>th</sup> - 16 <sup>th</sup> February	Half term
19 <sup>th</sup> February	NSPCC in school
23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Year 6 Quiksticks competition at Cromwell
w/c 26 <sup>th</sup> February	Book week
5 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2 trip to Stibbington
9 <sup>th</sup> March	Team building event Year 5
13 <sup>th</sup> March	Preschool New parents information evening
21 <sup>st</sup> March	Parents evening
22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Parents evening (including Preschool till 5pm).
27 <sup>th</sup> March 6pm	Year 3 and 4 Production
28 <sup>th</sup> March 2 pm	Year 3 and 4 Production
29 <sup>th</sup> March	Last day of term
16 <sup>th</sup> April	School returns (Preschool staff home visiting)
18 <sup>th</sup> April	Preschool returns
7 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank holiday
w/c 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATs
28 <sup>th</sup> May – 1 <sup>st</sup> June inclusive	Half term
29 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day
3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Preschool New parents information evening
6 <sup>th</sup> July	Reserve Sports Day
11 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 and 6 Production
12 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 and 6 Production
18 <sup>th</sup> July 3-6 pm	Parent open evening to discuss reports
19 <sup>th</sup> July 6pm	Preschool last day of term Kingsfield's Got Talent
20 <sup>th</sup> July 8.50am 8.45am-11.45 am	Leavers' Assembly Preschool Oak room leavers party School's last day of term