



THOMAS A BECKET INFANT SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER
MARCH 2024



Dear Parents/Carers

Another busy and eventful term is coming to an end. We would like to once again, thank you all for your support throughout.

From Spaceships to Fairy Tales, the children have been so enthusiastic about their learning and this is seen in the progress they are making. Thank you to our staff team for continuing to make the learning exciting and purposeful for the children.

We loved seeing the children dressed up for World Book Day and also all those who 'Rocked their Socks' to support World Down Syndrome Day.

The children have represented the school beautifully at the recent Cross Country event and no doubt at 'Time to Dance' tonight. It is so lovely to see how confident and proud the children are to participate in these events.

Our amazing TASC Force also showed real confidence and bravery when they stood up and shared our Anti- Bullying charter with the rest of the school. Amazing!

We wish you a Happy Easter and Spring break and will see you all again on Monday 15th April.

Parent Questionnaire

Thank you to all those who have already completed the questionnaire. We will leave it open until the end of the holiday period to enable anyone who hasn't yet filled it in a little more time.

Please follow the link below to tell us about your experience at TAB and what we can do to make our school even more successful.

<https://forms.gle/wbL977sXtGt6ZfRQA>

Rock your Socks for World Down Syndrome Day

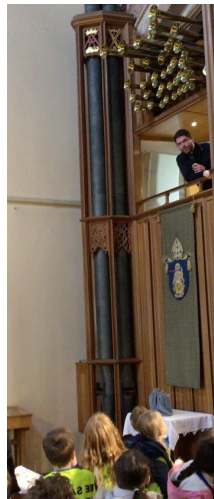
On Thursday, 21 March we were very fortunate to have Richard and Lisa from MENCAP come into our school and run an Assembly to raise awareness of Down's Syndrome. We all wore odd socks to show our support and the children listened beautifully and Lisa taught us all lots including some new Makaton too.



Church Trip

On Thursday 14 March, Squirrels and Hedgehogs enjoyed a great trip to St Andrew's Church and Tarring Park, which I was lucky enough to go along to. The children had fun tasks to do, both on their walk and in the church, spotting local sights and placing them on their maps, and finding items in the church and describing what they are used for. Father Stephen from St Andrew's gave a very engaging talk to the children at the church, which they all listened intently, and then asked some great questions; some of them even got to dress up in church robes! They all behaved beautifully, and demonstrated the school 'Values'.

Lucy Doherty, Governor



Worthing Schools Cross Country Competition

On Wednesday 6th March we took a team of children over to TAB Junior School to take part in the Year 2 Cross Country competition, organised by the Worthing School Sports Association.



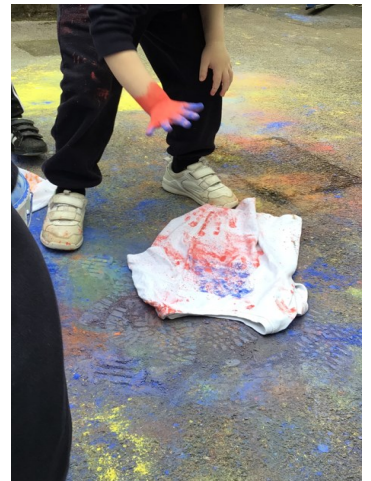
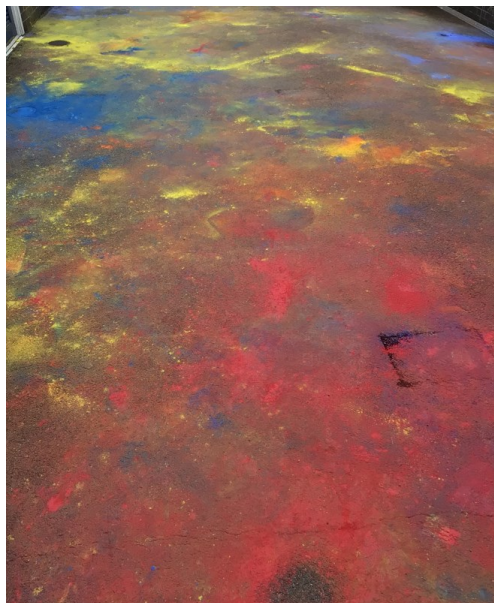
The children were AMAZING. Every single one of them showed great stamina and completed the course; which looked like a very long way! There was some brilliant individual performances and all the children's finishing positions were added together and the team with the lowest score won. We were so proud to learn that the girl's team had come second and the boy's team had won! We were awarded a fantastic trophy to add to our collection! A big thank you and well done to Jack, Elijah, Lois, Esmail, Ivy and Esther from Octopus Class, Hadley, Arthur, Olive and Alba from Manta Rays, Leo, Tom, Libby and Paige from Starfish, Florence and Archie from Turtles, Xavier, Rex, Phoenix and Mia from Seahorses and Edie, Arthur and Cillian from Dolphins.





Holi

As part of RE this half term, the children have been learning about the Hindu Festival of Colour, which is called Holi. This celebrates the arrival of Spring, love and new life. Children in Year 1 decorated a T-shirt using bright colours to represent the arrival of Spring and then wore them around school. As you can see the children loved this activity.





**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING CHILDREN WHO HAVE COMPLETED 50
'READS**

Aria—Ladybird

Thomas—Ladybird

Ayesha—Ladybird

Maddie—Ladybird

Doug—Ladybird

Anabelle—Hedgehog

Jax—Ladybird

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING CHILDREN WHO HAVE COMPLETED
100 'READS AT HOME'**

Radha—Squirrel

Ayesha—Ladybird

Shiloh—Ladybird

Bea—Squirrel

Doug—Ladybird

Henrik—Hedgehog

Brooke—Squirrel

Hunter—Starfish

Lila—Hedgehog

Walter—Squirrel

Leo—Starfish

Sasha—Hedgehog

Theo—Squirrel

Eily—Beetle

Rex—Squirrel

Kady—Rabbit

Josh—Fox

Kit—Butterfly

Ayla—Fox

Jake—Fox

Harper—Butterfly

Imogen—Fox

Daisie—Fox

Mia—Fox

Rafe - Fox

Chloe—Squirrel

Willow—Fox

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING CHILDREN WHO HAVE COMPLETED 150
'READS AT HOME'**

Darcie—Rabbit

Rosie—

Reuben—Hedgehog

Ayesha—Ladybird

Hedgehog

Eddie—Butterfly

Douglas—Ladybird

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING CHILDREN WHO HAVE COMPLETED 200
'READS AT HOME'**

JJ I—Squirrel

Matilda—Squirrel

Rosie—Squirrel

Nicky—Squirrel

Grace—Squirrel

Alice—Rabbit

Darcie—Squirrel

Mabel—Rabbit

Hettie—Squirrel

David—Rabbit

David—Beetle

Daniel—Hedgehog

Maisie—Squirrel

Lincoln—Hedgehog

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING CHILDREN WHO HAVE COMPLETED 300
'READS AT HOME'**

Logan—Rabbit

Cleo in Squirrel Class and Logan in Rabbit Class have completed a fantastic 400 reads, Benjamin in Squirrels with 500 and finally Beth in Seahorse Class has achieved an amazing 600 'reads at home'.

Well done everyone!

Library Project

As you may know, FABS are working extremely hard to fund and create a new Library. This week, the children will have brought home a Sponsor Form as FABS are challenging the children of TAB Infant to "Get their move on" in a sponsored event to walk, skip, run, scoot or cycle as far as they can over the Easter holidays. All they need to do is record the distances they travel over the holidays and ask friends and family to sponsor them.

FABS are now registered for Gift Aid so please ensure that any sponsors who are UK tax payers fill in all of their details so we can claim an extra 25p for each £1 donated.

Please return all forms and money to your child's class by Friday, 19th April. Every child who takes part will receive a medal for their efforts.



INSET DAYS

2024-2025

Monday 2nd September 2024

Monday 4th November 2024

Friday 4th July 2025

Monday 21st July 2025

Tuesday 22nd July 2025

PLEASE NOTE THAT THESE DATES HAVE BEEN AGREED WITH THOMAS A'BECKET JUNIOR SCHOOL