



SSSJ School Newsletter



3rd March

SPOTLIGHT ON READ WRITE INC

As you are aware SSSJ have recently bought the Read Write Inc programme for children in lower school. The vision of every child as a reader aligns with the school's vision. At SSSJ, the school aims to build a better future by promoting life long learning, and one way of achieving this successfully is by ensuring every child can read fluently. Reading fluently improves the life chances of our pupils as it enables them to access a broad and balanced curriculum. Read Write Inc is more than just a reading programme for SSSJ, it provides school with the essential skills to cater for all pupils' needs, regardless of their experiences prior to starting SSSJ. Since expanding from September 2020, many pupils have joined the school with varying needs: from no prior schooling; having limited or no spoken English; arrival from countries all over the world; to pupils with a wealth of experiences. Reading within and beyond the Read Write Inc programme has given pupils the opportunity to build their love of reading through the high quality books that are provided as part of the programme. Pupils read at their challenge point, ensuring reading is accessible for all. If your child is currently in Reception, Y1, Y2, Y3 or Y4 and they are following the programme you will receive an individual progress report in their student planner. The report provides information on how well your child is progressing in reading. This will also be shared in the upcoming parents conference. If you would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact us. The school website also hosts further information linked to Read Write Inc under the parent tab.

Miss Jones ~ Principal

We have been focusing on our value is **Thankfulness**. This is detailed in your child's planner.



THANKFULNESS

An attitude of thankfulness is what we aim to cultivate. We think about the old saying 'Count your blessings' as it reminds us to be thankful and not to take things for granted. A heart full of gratitude helps us to endure any difficulties we may face. Our school community uses good manners as this is one way to show that we are thankful for what we have received.

This week in worship we have discussed whether the Bank of England will move to a new safe digital coin - cryptocurrency. We have explored the key question 'Does money make us rich?'. The children commented upon how happiness, family time, friendships and positive relationships make us rich rather than money. We linked this to our school value thankfulness and counting our blessings rather than always wishing for more.

Protected Characteristics

Our beliefs consist of the things we believe to be true about ourselves, the world and others. They are firmly embedded and affect the way we think and behave. There are many things which may influence our beliefs.

At home talk to your children about the value of family time and what it means to you as a family.



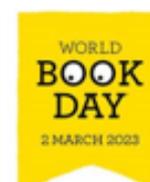
Attendance

At SSSJ, we monitor attendance on a daily and weekly basis. We also speak to our pupils about attendance and punctuality as part of our learning review system. The table below details how we colour code attendance at SSSJ.

Code	Cause for concern	Unacceptable	Borderline	Acceptable	Very Good	Excellent
Attendance		Below 94%	94-95.5%	95.5-96.9%		97%+

Year Group	Attendance	Year Group	Attendance
Ladybirds	97.4%	Year 3	95.8%
Caterpillars	98.4%	Year 4	94%
Reception	88.2%	Year 5	94.8%
Year 1	91.3%	Year 6	94.2%
Year 2	92%		

As part of 'World Book Day' every child will be given a £1.00 book token. All you need to do is to take the book token your local bookseller for a free World Book Day book or, if you'd prefer, you can use your book token to get £1 off any full price book instead.



Spotlight on learning Online: Year 4 Bolton Museum trip

This week our Year 4 A&B classes have taken a trip to Bolton museum to take part in the Egyptian workshop this links into our topic Temples, Tombs & Treasures.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 17th March - Year 4A Museum trip

School closed due to Local Elections taking place on **Thursday 4th May**. School will be closed to pupils on this date.

School closed on 8th May- King Charles coronation bank holiday

Early years Mothers day sessions taking place week beginning 13.03.2023

Letters have been sent home to parents

Bedtime Stories

On Thursday we held a bedtime story event for our Year 2 and Year 3 children. This was an opportunity for the children to come back to school dressed in their pyjamas and listen to some bedtime stories with their friends, while enjoying a hot chocolate!

Please see below some photos from our very first bedtime stories event! We are hoping this is something that children would like us to continue for future Book weeks at SSSJ!



Polite reminder:

Could we please remind parents to be mindful when parking to drop off and collect their children from school. We appreciate it can get extremely busy, but there has been a number of incidents recently and we have had reports that residents are unable to park on their drive ways. Our number one priority is to ensure our children are safe when entering and leaving school.



Keeping in touch

There are number of ways that you can keep in touch with school. If you have a concern, please contact us through one of the channels below.

Email: sssjoffice@vantageacademies.co.uk

Telephone: 01204333583

Arrange an appointment with Miss Jones (Principal) or the class teacher.