

We have had a busy and fun term! Thank you as always to our families for your support, especially during fundraising or whole school events. Parent/Carer consultations were great and results of the surveys tell us you are pleased with the education and experiences we are providing for your children.

Teaching and learning continues to be our driving focus and all our classes have been involved in exciting learning this term. We are seeing classes full of learners who are engaged and keen to soak up new learning, as well as practice and improve their existing skills. Hopefully you are seeing and hearing that we are working hard on our speaking and listening skills within our weekly Oracy lessons! We aspire for the children to use a wide range of vocabulary and use communication strategies such as questioning, debating and presenting in order to excel across all subjects. Our weekly Picture News sessions support this too – ask your children about them!



We were thrilled when the BBC came to visit us in March and spent time talking to children about reading, looking in our library and calling into the big reading bus! World Book Day was a fabulous day with more children and staff than ever dressing up and making the day fun for all!

Our football team is going from strength to strength and with Miss O'Shea as team manager we will only keep winning! We are so proud that so many other teams have complimented us on our great sporting attitudes as well as our skills!



Thank you for all your contributions on Red Nose Day! We raised £154.77.

Attendance is an area we continue to work hard on – our school attendance is significantly below national expectations and we need our families to help with this.

Children need to be in school every day for the best chance of reaching their full potential. If your child is absent due to illness please remember to let school know. If your child has an appointment please remember to let school know and provide evidence of the appointment.

Julie and Gemma have been holding coffee mornings and are really keen to get more parents/carers attending. They would love to know what topics you would like to discuss or activities you would like to join in with.



We would like to welcome Miss Ellis, Miss Faye and Miss Dipper to Knowleswood. All three staff members have joined us this week and are enjoying settling in and getting to know our children and routines.

There is lots to look forward to next term, including a variety of trips, sports days, summer enterprise fair and lots of outdoor learning.

We also have Year 6 SATs, Year 4 times tables checks and assessments in all year groups. Summer term is key for ensuring we continue to focus on teaching and learning and supporting our children to be their best!

School opens again on 8<sup>th</sup> April.  
A reminder that breakfast club starts at 8am and doors open for school at 8.40am.  
Have a lovely Easter break!