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**“Shine like stars in the sky as you hold on to the word of life”
(Philippians 2:15)**

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Evening all,

Apologies for the slight delay in this newsletter’s arrival, with so much content coming your way on Friday I thought it best not to bombard you with a further newsletter. It’s going to be a strange week this week with the **school’s closure** on Wednesday and Thursday this week due to strike action. As stated in the letter last Friday, it is not a decision that has been taken lightly but the sacrifice of two day’s pay by those striking highlights the strength of feeling around the issue of funding in education (and public services generally).

There are so many things to celebrate though as always and the children have benefitted from a wealth of fantastic opportunities across the school in recent times. Right at the start of the month, we were delighted to host the **storyteller Martin Maudsley** for the second year running. The adaptive stories that he built with the children and the musical accompaniment were as captivating as ever - and provided the perfect introduction to **World Book Day** on the Thursday of that week. As I have already shared via Dojo, we had a brilliant day focussing on books and language and we thank you for all of your efforts supporting the children’s outfits and posters.



This was immediately followed by the huge success of **Stags’ cake sale**. Once again thank you for your support which helped to raise almost £150 towards their **trip to Marwell**. They had the best time there on Friday 3rd and have been raving about the animals they saw with great excitement ever since. They have also been using it to inspire their writing while learning all about chronological order and how to be selective with language to engage their readers.

Regarding **parents’ evenings** this week, tomorrow’s event in school will run as planned and we look forward to welcoming those with appointments then. For those who had an online appointment booked for Thursday, these have been postponed until Thursday 23rd March and we will share the online link a day or two before so that it doesn’t get lost in your inboxes.

We have continued our work around having **the courage to persevere** so that we can shine like stars. Last week we focussed on Jesus’s life story to find examples of perseverance and today have engaged with the story of [Austin’s Butterfly](#) to exemplify the power of feedback and perseverance.

Have a great week!

Mr Wheeler

Upcoming School /PTFA Events

Tuesday 14th March: Parents evenings (in school)

Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March: National Strike Action - School closed

17th - 23rd March: Nationwide Sumdog Contest

Thursday 23rd March: Parents evening (online)

Wednesday 29th March: Author visit and book signing (more information to follow)

Thursday 30th March: Easter Bonnet Parade and Easter Service @ St. Stephens (poster below)

Saturday 6th May: Sponsored Bluebell Walk

Last Week's Attendance

Last week's attendance by class:

Owls - 84.6%
Foxes - 93.7%
Stags - 99.7%

Another incredible week for Stags who have won the trophy for the last few weeks, fingers crossed those in Owls and Foxes who have been off are on the mend! We aim to achieve at least a 96% average.

