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Dear parents/carers,

I hope you and your families are well. We have had another incredibly busy and exciting week in school.



World Book Day

On Thursday we celebrated World Book Day and all the children were invited to dress up as their favourite book character and bring in their own books to share with their classes. We would like to say a huge thank you to all the parents/carers who took the time to arrange outfits for their children, they looked amazing! The variety across the

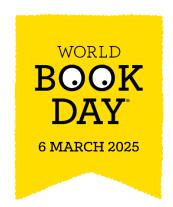


classes was fantastic to see and we hope that the day helped to cement a love of reading in every child.











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Year 4 - Ukelele



This week the children in Year 4 are excited to begin their Ukelele unit in music.









Also this week, Year 4 have been working on their Sonia Delaunay inspired collaborated artwork.



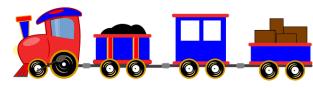


Request for help

We are looking for kind donations of books to support our Year 1 readers. Do you have any good quality, unwanted books by Julia Donaldson, Oliver Jeffers or David Walliams? Year 1 would be delighted to accept any donations. Thank you!

Nurture group are also looking for any good quality, unwanted action figures, cars,

trains, old toys. Also a sand tray/pit with lid, bubble machine, and any outdoor games such as Connect 4 or similar that won't blow away would be gratefully received.



Thank you!

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Parent Consultations

Reminder: Parent Consultations are being held next **Tuesday**, **11th March and Wednesday**, **12th March**. We strongly encourage all parents/carers to make an appointment to meet with their child's/children's teacher/teachers to discuss their progress this academic year.

The appointments are 10-minutes in duration, with appointments available between **3:30pm and 5:50pm** on both evenings for **Years 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6**.

For **Year R**, Mrs Bartaby will have appointments between **3:20pm and 6:10pm** on **Tuesday 11th March only**.

For **Year 1**, Miss Pedlar will have appointments between **1:00pm and 6:10pm** on **Tuesday 11th March only**.

Bookings should be made via the Arbor App. The portal will close for bookings at **9:00am on Monday 10th March**.

Please email hello@connordowns.org.uk if you encounter any difficulties. Thank you.

Pre-Loved Uniform

We believe that school uniform ensures all children are treated equally. Uniform still plays a vital role in promoting the ethos of a school, setting an appropriate tone for education and providing a sense of belonging and common identity regardless of background.

With this in mind, we run a pre-loved uniform shop through the Friends of Connor Downs Academy. The Friends will run pop up sales at various times throughout the year, but you can also contact them via their Facebook Page at any other time or you can come into the school office or email hello@connordowns.org.uk with your requirements. Thank you.

<u>Attendance</u>		
Our school target for attendance is 97%		
1st Place	Year 3	99.6 %
2 nd Place	Year 6	98.5 %
3 rd Place	Year 4	98.1 %

Shine Celebrations

Please see below our Shining Stars for this week.

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Connor Downs Academy Shining Stars Friday 7th March 2025



We are delighted to be able to invite the parents/carers of the winners below to join us at our next Shine assembly of the spring term, on **Friday 14th March 2025** to see their child receive their certificate.

Please come along to the main reception **no earlier than 2:35pm**. A special well done to:

Year R - Imogen

For having a kind and thoughtful nature everyday in Reception Class. Imogen always gives 100% to all her work. Well done, Imogen!

Year 1 - Freddie

For his excellent reasoning in maths explaining the mass of an apple is greater than the mass of a balloon because it is a solid. Well done, Freddie!

Year 2 - Noah V

For making great progress especially in speech and language. Well done, Noah!

Year 3 – Emilia

For fantastic progress and confidence with learning fractions and also her addition facts. Emilia always works hard in everything she does. Well done, Emilia!

Year 4 - Amelia

For always showing such great behaviour for learning and being a supportive and encouraging friend to her peers. Well done, Amelia!

Year 5 - Ella

For her diligence and care in all of her work. Well done, Ella!

Year 6 - Malyka

For showing good concentration in lessons and always giving 100%. Well done, Malyka!

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Writer - Jack (Year 4)

For his incredible writing this week. Jack has gained his Pen Licence and is producing some beautiful pieces of writing. Keep it up Jack, well done!

EYFS/KS1 Reader – Charlotte (Year R)

For her growing confidence when reading words independently in phonics sessions. Charlotte is now reading some tricky words. Well done, Charlotte!

KS2 Reader – Jacob M (Year 5)

For his amazing recommendations for fellow readers and a great costume for World Book Day. Well done, Jacob!

Mathematician – Archie (Year 2)

For making good progress in shape, space and measure. Well done, Archie!

Numbots/Rock Star - Oscar (Year 6)

For gaining the highest number of correct answers in Year 6 this week. Well done, Oscar!

Performer – Ailla (Year 1)

For wonderful expression during dance showing a seed growing into a plant. Well done, Ailla!

Character – Seth (Year 6)

For being such a positive role model to others in volunteering his lunchtimes to support the children in Nurture. Well done, Seth!

Kind Regards,

Mrs Eddy

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