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Calow Primary Celebrates the Work of Roald Dahl

Roald Dahl was a spy, an ace fighter pilot, a chocolate historian and a medical inventor. He is best known as an author of children's books, including: 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory', 'Matilda' and 'Fantastic Mr. Fox'. During January, Calow Primary celebrated the work of Roald Dahl with a themed week dedicated to learning more about him and his literary work. Each class spent time studying one of his works in particular. Pictured is Heidi from Year Four, whose class studied 'The BFG'.



Launch of 'Read Around the World' Challenge

Calow Primary School is promoting reading, along with cluster schools. We have launched our reading challenge called 'Read Around the World'. Each child has a reading miles passport to collect reading miles. For every ten minutes of reading, children earn 500 miles for their passport. Every pupil who completes their reading journey around the world will be entered into a prize draw. The challenge is split into seven journeys, each of which finishes in a "checkpoint city". The checkpoints are referred to on a wall map in School and in reading passports for pupils, parents and staff to follow progress. We hope it will encourage an enjoyment of reading.

Promoting Online Safety

Keeping our children safe when using the internet is paramount. Expert information to help children stay safe online can be found via the link <http://parentinfo.org/>. The Child Exploitation and Online Protection Centre (CEOP) works across the UK to tackle child sex abuse and provides advice for parents. If someone has done something online that has made you or a child or young person you know feel worried or unsafe, you can report it via the link <https://ceop.police.uk/>. Calow Primary will be participating in Safer Internet Day on 7th February. For more information about online safety visit our Online Safety pencil on the School website. We also have a Safeguarding section on the website for other aspects of Child Protection.

Modern Slavery Summit at Derby Cathedral

2017 is the 210th anniversary of the Act of Abolition 1807, which was the first step to ending the slave trade in the nineteenth century. Slavery still exists today with over 40 million people living in exploitation across the world – over 13,000 in the UK alone. The Bishop of Derby hosted a Modern Slavery summit at Derby Cathedral exclusively for schools to learn about modern slavery; how it affects children nationally and globally; and how schools can help to end exploitation. Calow Primary was invited to send representatives and six members of the School Council attended the summit meeting. Our children listened to the presentations and signed the pledge to end modern slavery in our world today.

The Mighty Zulu Nation Theatre Comes to Calow!

The Mighty Zulu Nation Theatre Company was inaugurated in the year 1982. Since that time the company has toured extensively around the U.K. visiting theatres, festivals and schools. The cast of professional performers are all multi-talented and originate from the city of Durban, in the kingdom of Kwa-Zulu Natal. They provide a vibrant spectacle, which showcases a kaleidoscope of dynamic traditional Zulu culture. Their amazing voices, with brilliant harmony have delighted audiences throughout the world. The powerful splendid dance sequences, accompanied by 'pulsating' Zulu drums, guarantees to hold any audience spellbound. We look forward to welcoming them to Calow School on 1st February.

Be Food Smart!

Children consume half the daily recommended sugar intake before the morning school bell rings, according to Public Health England. Children in England consume more than 11g of sugar at breakfast time alone, almost 3 sugar cubes. The recommended daily maximum is no more than 5 cubes of sugar for 4 to 6 year olds and no more than 6 cubes for 7 to 10 year olds per day. By the end of the day children have consumed more than 3 times these recommendations. The Change4Life campaign urges parents to Be Food Smart and take more control of their children's diets. A new 'Be Food Smart' app has been developed to highlight just how much sugar, saturated fat and salt can be found in everyday food and drink that their children consume. Each child in School has been given information about downloading the app.