



# Calow Church of England (V.C.) Primary School

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Together'

## Newsletter

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### World Book Day and World Poetry Day

Pupils really enjoyed sharing their favourite books during World Book Day. There was an opportunity to meet football mascot, Chester Field Mouse, who listened to children reading from their chosen book. Pictured are Year Six pupils with Chester. We hope everyone has made good use of the book tokens given that day. Our next literary event is World Poetry Day on 21<sup>st</sup> March. UNESCO declared the date as World Poetry Day to promote the teaching of poetry. Schools in the local cluster will also be participating and working on a joint exhibition of pupils' work.



### Supporting St. Peter's Church, Calow

Thank you to all those who supported the bingo night in aid of St. Peter's Church. We raised £350 from the event. Our next fundraising occasion will be the Easter Eggstravaganza after school on 6<sup>th</sup> April. This will include an egg hunt and lots of arts and crafts activities linked to Easter (more details to follow). The Mothering Sunday service at St. Peter's Church starts at 10.00 a.m. on 27<sup>th</sup> March. Pupils from our School will be singing a couple of items during the service. The School's Easter Service at Church starts at 10.00 a.m. on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April (a letter will be sent to you in due course).

### Thank you for Supporting Thinking Day

The commemoration of Robert Baden-Powell's birthday is an annual event at Calow Primary. His wife, Olave was born and raised in Chesterfield! We were impressed by the number of children who came to School in uniform. Our support for Thinking Day was reported in 'The Derbyshire Times' edition of 2<sup>nd</sup> March.



### Visitors in School

Rabbi Perez will be visiting on 17<sup>th</sup> March. The Rabbi, who is from the Nottingham Synagogue, is a regular visitor to our School and will be talking to Classes One and Two about Judaism. Bishop Jan of Repton will be back at Calow Primary soon. She has already agreed to open the Summer Fair on 24<sup>th</sup> June. Representatives from Derbyshire Fire Service met with Classes Two and Six on 7<sup>th</sup> March to talk to children about fire safety. This included giving tips about what to do in the event of a fire at home. The Fire Service also carries out free home fire safety checks, especially for vulnerable households, to make sure people have fitted and working smoke alarms and know how to escape from their home in the event of a fire breaking out. Some of the first team players from Chesterfield Football Club will be in School on 30<sup>th</sup> March. The Club is promoting their ticket deal for the match against Shrewsbury Town on 11<sup>th</sup> March, when children can go for free!

### Primary Dance Festival

Calow Primary will be taking part in the ninth Chesterfield Primary Dance Festival at the Winding Wheel on the afternoon of 16<sup>th</sup> March. Around thirty schools will be participating and performing routines linked to 'dance throughout the ages'. Class Four will be taking us back to the 'swinging sixties'! Tickets are available from the Chesterfield Information Centre.

### Grandparents' Gardening Day

Calow Primary is proud to be part of the Food for Life project. This year they are promoting gardening with Grandparents with the aim of helping Grandparents pass on their growing knowledge and experience at the same time as enjoying the fresh air and the opportunity to socialise with school pupils and staff. Our Grandparents' Gardening Day will take place at School on 29<sup>th</sup> March. A letter will be sent with further information.

**To access the Parent Hotline, telephone 08447 70 75 76 and then key in the School I.D. code, which is: 66125.**