



# JYS News

Newsletter: 20 ~ 7th March 2025

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## World Book Day

What a fantastic World Book Day we had this year! Across the school, children and staff embraced the spirit of reading by dressing up as a wide range of beloved book characters or in their cosy pyjamas. The day was filled with engaging activities that celebrated the joy of reading.

Children moved from room to room, participating in a variety of creative activities, including storytelling sessions, crafting items related to their favourite books, and designing and painting characters. It was wonderful to see so much enthusiasm and creativity on display!

In addition to the activities, our library transformed into a book shop, where children had the opportunity to choose from a wide selection of free World Book Day books available this year. A special thank you to JYS Friends, who organised a delightful book swap in the hut, allowing even more children to discover new stories.

All children should have come home with a free book, fostering a love for reading that we hope will continue long after this special day. Thank you to everyone who participated and made this World Book Day a memorable celebration of literature!

## This Week

On Thursday 27th February, our six Future Flyers headed back to the Westgate Centre for their second session. After a warm up, the children were split into pairs, and each pair joined one of six teams made up of children from other schools. There were six activities and the children got to do all of them. There was basketball throwing up the wall, burpees, rowing, lunges, running and powerball - lifting and carrying it, or rolling it.

Amy S's favourite bit was the 10kg powerball lift and roll. Amy F and Leo both really enjoyed running around the field outside of the college.



On Monday, we were again visited by Historian Paul Ullson, and he worked with Year 5 to look at the Vikings and their settlement in England after the Romans and Saxons. In character as Raef Ullson, Paul answered many questions about himself, his people and the effect of the Vikings on the land and people. In the picture (right) you can see Axel modelling some mail and a helmet - apparently it was very heavy! Having then drawn and labelled what Raef was wearing, the children learned about Ragnarok and then created their own character masks to retell it!



## House Points

Children earn house points for different things throughout the week, and here are this week's results:



	This week	Term Total (Since Jan '25)	Year Total (Since Sept '24)
Ash	95	811	2432
Beech	102	807	2247
Maple	98	876	2435
Oak	101	891	2757

## Important Dates Coming Up

- Wednesday 12th March - Swimming Gala at Arun Leisure
- Wednesday 19th March - Y3 Trip to Butser
- Wednesday 19th March - Corporate Challenge II
- Friday 21st March - Red Nose Day
- Friday 4th April - Last Day of Spring Term
- Monday 21st April - Easter Monday - School shut to pupils
- Tuesday 22nd April - Summer Term starts
- Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May - Half term holiday
- Monday 2nd June - INSET - School shut to pupils
- Friday 18th July - Last day of term