

# NEWSLETTER



1<sup>st</sup> April 2021

## How to get in touch



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07950368561 – Families mobile to call or text with any queries. Monitored by the Inclusion Team



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- Use this for any queries. Monitored by the Inclusion Team



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- Use this for any queries about any additional learning needs or concerns.



[homelearning@woodhouse.uwmat.co.uk](mailto:homelearning@woodhouse.uwmat.co.uk)

- Use this for any support with home learning or using Google Classroom.



[Newsletter@woodhouse.uwmat.co.uk](mailto:Newsletter@woodhouse.uwmat.co.uk)

- Use this to send us anything you'd like put in the newsletter. This can be photos, learning, resources and any good news stories you may have.

## Useful links

<https://homelearning.woodhouse.academy>

Additional learning resources and activities.

<https://www.woodhouse.priacademy.co.uk/news-and-events/parental-assistance>

Our parental assistance page with plenty of avenues of support.

<https://www.woodhouse.priacademy.co.uk/news-and-events/school-news>

Up to date school news.

Photo Consent - Thank you to everyone who has completed this already. If you haven't done so, can you please complete this form.

<https://forms.gle/JG9HYxdhShp3qtBg8>

Our latest risk assessment for wider opening -

<https://www.woodhouse.priacademy.co.uk/news-and-events/wider-opening>

Dear parents/carers,

What a super end of term we have had at Woodhouse!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your unwavering support and encouragement for the last 4 weeks. I am very grateful to you for the way in which you have encouraged your children, how you have worked with us if there have been any areas where additional support has been needed but mostly for doing all you can to support the protective measures in school. We do not take for granted the way in which you, our parents and families, engage with all things Woodhouse, and I am always proud to have such a strong sense of community here. Thank you.

I hope that you and your families have a fantastic Easter break. This term has been challenging for us all and I know that we all need the break over the next fortnight. Your children and you need the opportunity to rest and recuperate – hopefully whilst having as much fun as you can. One thing which might help with that: Tonight, Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April at 6pm, we have a special family Easter Quiz to celebrate the end of term. To register, you need to go to this link before 5pm tonight! <https://www.letslocalise.co.uk/entertainment-details-view?eventId=11222> – I hope you can join us! Fun for all the family!

As at Christmas, I would remind you that you will need to contact school if your child develops any coronavirus symptoms up to 48 hours after the end of school (Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April and Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> April). You can contact school by email at: [enquiries@woodhouse.uwmat.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@woodhouse.uwmat.co.uk) and I will monitor this email account each day until the 7<sup>th</sup> of April. Further details can be seen here:

<https://www.woodhouse.priacademy.co.uk/admin/ckfinder/userfiles/files/Potential%20track%20and%20trace%20arrangements%20at%20end%20of%20term%2031-3-21.pdf>

I hope that you and your families have a fantastic Easter break. This term has been challenging for us all and I know that we all need the break over the next fortnight. Please remember to stay safe and to follow the government guidance currently in place, if you are unsure – I have put this on our website here:

[https://www.woodhouse.priacademy.co.uk/admin/ckfinder/userfiles/files/COVID-19\\_Roadmap\\_Posters\\_Step1\\_web.pdf](https://www.woodhouse.priacademy.co.uk/admin/ckfinder/userfiles/files/COVID-19_Roadmap_Posters_Step1_web.pdf). I would ask you to think carefully about how you can support us to keep everyone safe in school by taking care wherever possible. Thank you to those of you who have worked so well with the team here in reaction to possible coronavirus symptoms during the last 19 school days. This has reminded us that the virus has not gone away, and the removal of restrictions does not yet mean life is back to normal. Thank you in advance for playing your part, which in turn will help us to keep school fully open and with all classes in school.

Take care and stay safe. Happy Easter!

Oliver Wilson  
Head Teacher  
Woodhouse Primary Academy

# Stars of the Week

The following children are Stars of the Week for the week ending 1<sup>st</sup> April

## Nursery

Georgia  
Harrison

## Reception

Faith  
Joanna  
Wyatt  
Zachary

## Year One

Adam-Junior  
Mahdy  
Anaia  
Kirstyn

## Year Two

Vanessa  
Haja  
Samara  
Eleanor

## Year Three

Sonny  
Erfan  
Jeron  
Laith  
Nabiha

## Year Four

Phoebe  
Ava  
Levi  
Rose

## Year Five

Kaydon  
Marcia  
Jack  
Dalah

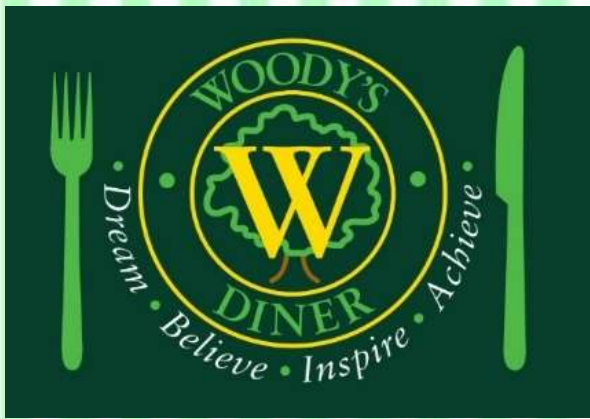
## Year Six

Noah  
Aimee L  
Mariam  
Mariyah  
Avneet  
Pria

Congratulations to all of these children who have put in a fantastic effort this week. They have been nominated by their teachers. We are really impressed with the level of learning from all children. What can you do to be Star of the Week next week?

If you can and would like to, send us a photo with your certificate so we can share it on next week's newsletter.





# School Dinner Menu

**19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> April**

**NOTE: Now we are using cutlery with our meals again we are currently making changes to our menus to introduce more of a variety of meals. Keep an eye on the menu each week for changes.**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Beef Burger in a Bun	Chicken Curry with Rice and Naan Bread	Pork Sausages	Jacket Potato with Cheese and Baked Beans	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Chips
Vegetable Burger in a Bun		Quorn Sausages		
With Mini Waffles and Baked Beans	Quorn Curry with Rice and Naan Bread	With Yorkshire Pudding, Mashed Potatoes and Vegetables		Fresh Salad or Vegetables
Strawberry Mousse	Fruit Cocktail	Chocolate Cracknell	Jam Sponge	Fruit

## Food Allergies

In order to keep our dietary records up to date, please inform the main office of any changes to your child's dietary requirements, allergies and intolerances. We are able to cater for most requirements but must know in advance.

If your child only eats Halal meats but can eat fish, please also let the main office know. We do not serve Halal meats.

Please either contact the main office on 0121 464 1769 or email the Inclusion Team on [families@woodhouse.uwmat.co.uk](mailto:families@woodhouse.uwmat.co.uk)

Please also remember that we are a NUT FREE school.

# Do you have a child born between 01.09.2017 and 31.08.2018?

If so, they are eligible for our amazing Teacher led Nursery in September 2021. Have you filled in an application form?

If not call the main office on 0121 464 1769 and they will send you one. Don't miss out on this exciting opportunity for your child.



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## Spring Term 2021

Term Ends: Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021

Easter Break: Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2021

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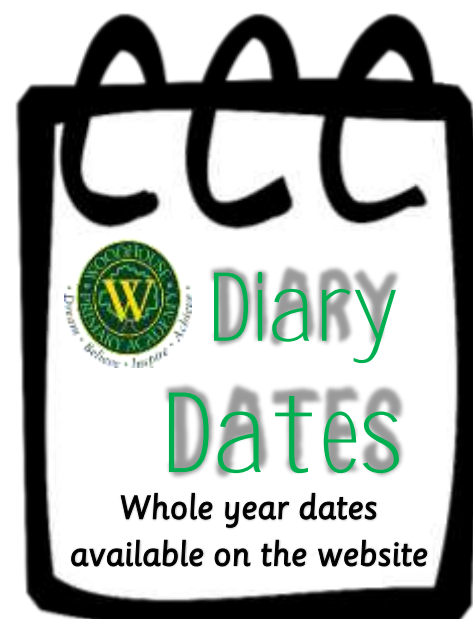
## Summer Term 2021

Term Starts: Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Half Term: Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2021  
to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July – Last day of school year for children

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Inset day, school closed to children



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## **May 6<sup>th</sup> Election Day**

We have negotiated with Birmingham City Council for them not to use Woodhouse for the election this year, which means we are able to be **fully open for all children** on this day. This is so as not to give any unnecessary disruption to children and families this year.



# Book some time to Read



The total word count on Accelerated Reader for school this half term is 39,884,749 overall with A total of 3984 quizzes been passed.

Leo 6D, Kimarnie 6D, Bahir 6LP and Mariam 6LP have all reached their 250,000-words read milestone.

Areeb 5WS and Michael 6W have both reached their 500,000-words milestone.

If you haven't already, pick up a book or logon to Myon or EPIC and enjoy reading! There are now over 5000 books on Myon ready to start reading.

<https://www.myon.co.uk/login/>

# epic!



Epic! Is a free online library where children can read lots of very popular books  
Check it out here: <https://www.getepic.com/students>

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## Reading Diaries

As we haven't been able to send reading diaries home all children in years 1-6 now have a Reading diary in the form of a google form on their Google Classroom in the Reading Diary Topic.

The same form can be filled in each time they read and submitted for the teacher to read.

Each time diary is filled in it will add a new entry to their online diary which is kept as a record for the teacher just like their reading diary booklet.

## WOODHOUSE EASTER READING CHALLENGE

Can you fill your easter basket with eggs showing how many different books you have enjoyed reading?

Cut out and colour the eggs and write the title of the book on the back. Place in the basket.

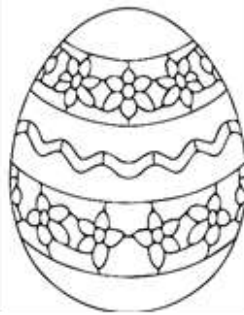
Each entry will receive a certificate and all entries will be put into a draw. There will be 3 winners and each will receive a book . All entries to be returned by the 23<sup>rd</sup> of April 2021



Read a non-fiction book.



Read a funny story



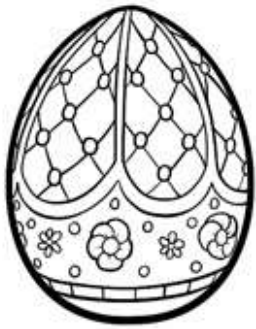
Read a story with an animal in it



Read a comic



Read a newspaper



Read a traditional tale



Read a recipe



Read a scary story



Read in your pyjamas



Read a nursery rhyme



# Journey to Japan

Taking the Olympic torch Tokyo



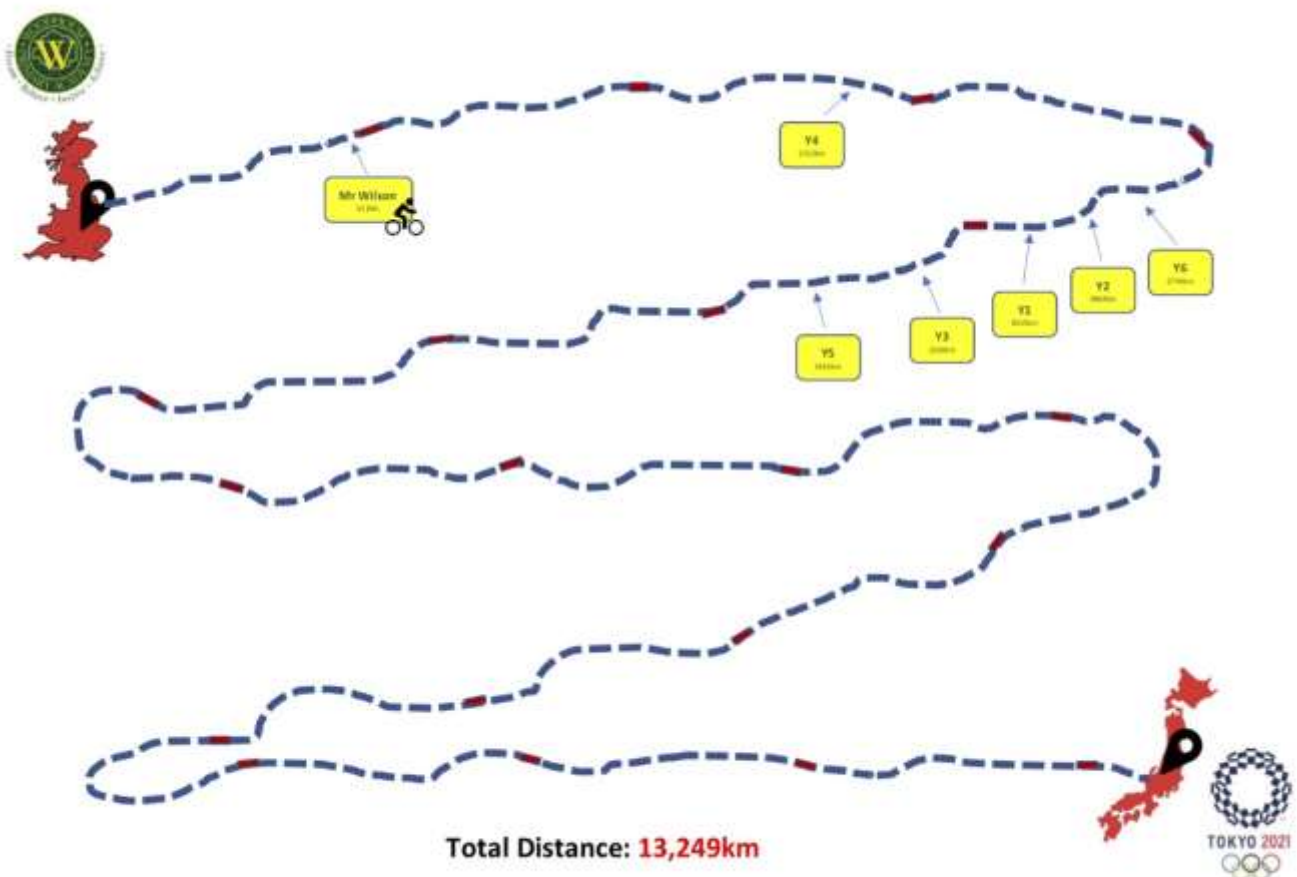
We have missed out on SO much physical activity.

It's time to put this right!

The Olympics begin on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2021. Did you know it's only 13,249km from Birmingham to Tokyo by foot?

Surely we could cover this distance, right?

To make sure we get the Olympic Torch to Tokyo, each class in Years 1 – 6 are tracking their physical activity. This can take the form of being active at playtime, their daily morning walks and PE lessons. Mr Wilson has taken on the challenge and is attempting to cover the distance by bicycle. Their progress is converted to steps and then tracked on a map. You can track their journey here:







smile

Dear parent/carer,

**Woodhouse Primary Academy** will be representing **West Bromwich Albion Football Club** in Planet Super League, an exciting football and sustainability project, and your child will be part of the team!

Children will take part at home to inspire small changes that can have a big impact on the environment, whilst scoring points for **West Bromwich Albion Football Club**.



Whilst doing this, you will be representing **West Bromwich Albion Football Club** in a league table of 24 professional football clubs for points and prizes. Can you help **West Bromwich Albion Football Club** win the league and lift the cup?!

The project is simple, we will ask you to register against your club by visiting <http://psl.football>, register your details, select our representative club from the pre-populated dropdown list and then choose "SMILE" from the "Where did you hear about us?" section, and prepare for the big kick off on **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> March**.

There will be a large selection of fun activities online which are simple to complete at home and can be done flexibly around your lives to make this easy, enjoyable, and pressure-free for you and the family! The activities will help you save money, have fun as a family and be more sustainable, all whilst representing **Woodhouse Primary Academy**.

The registration page is live, please sign up before the season kicks off on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> March and be the leading family in your club's battle for the title!

**SIGN UP NOW** and be part of the team:

*Visit:* <http://psl.football>

*Register:* Come up with your family team name and share your details

*Play:* Kick off is 27<sup>th</sup> March. Loads of great prizes up for grabs!

See you on the pitch!

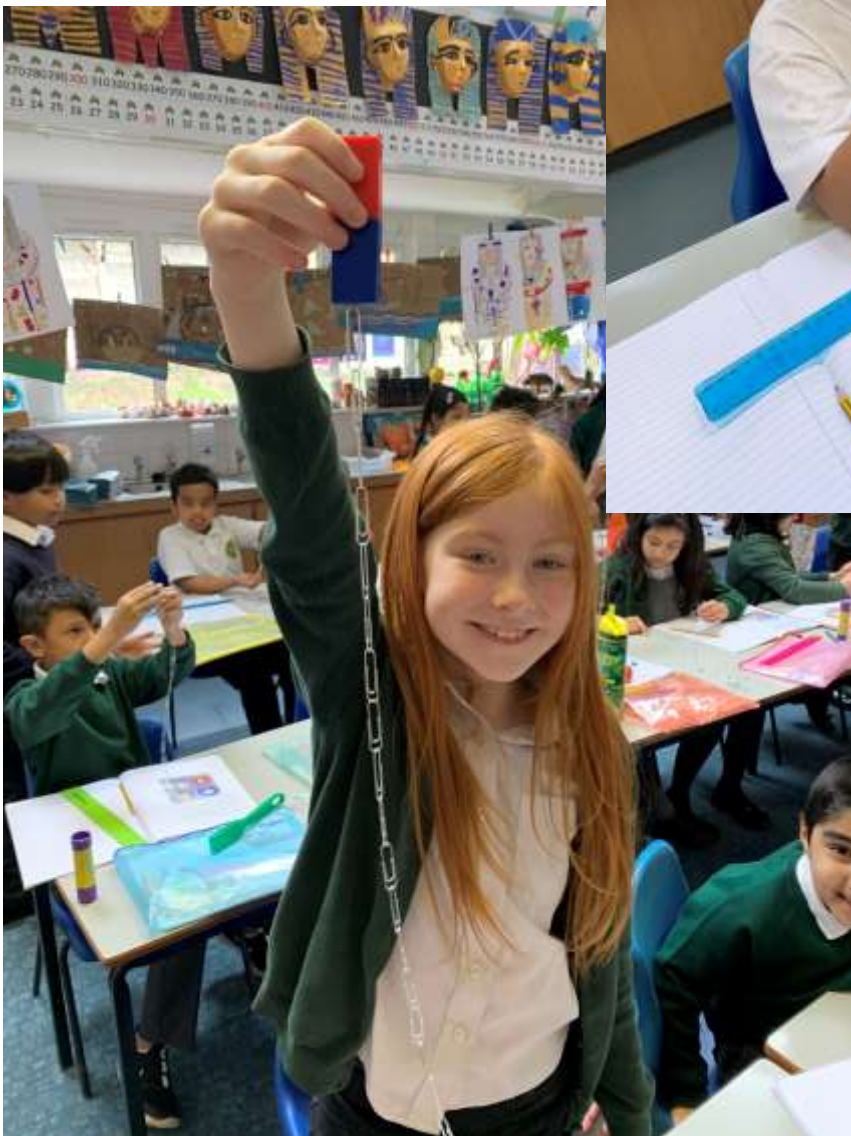
If you have a child under the age of 4 you may be eligible for support with buying food and milk with NHS healthy Start. Check the eligibility criteria on the link below:



<https://www.healthystart.nhs.uk/how-to-apply/>

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Year 3 have been learning about magnetic properties and conducted an experiment to see how many paperclips they could pick up with a magnet.







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Corner

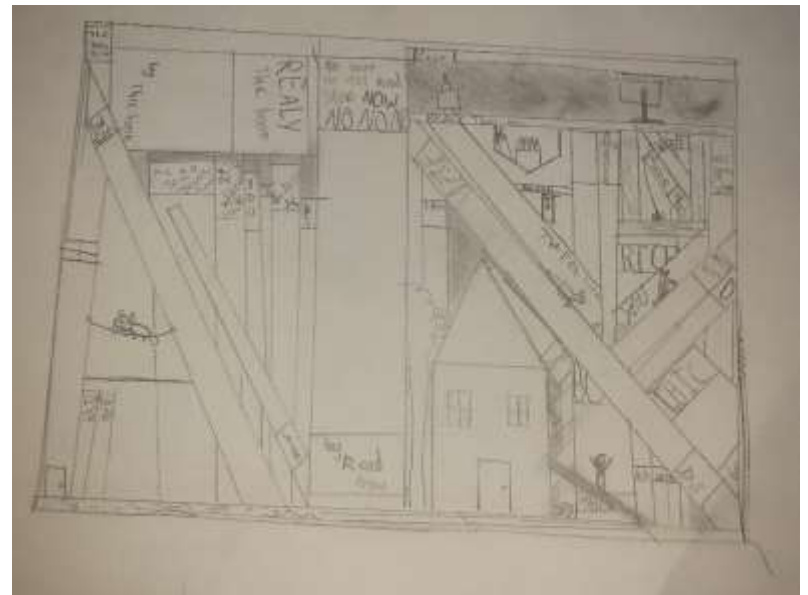
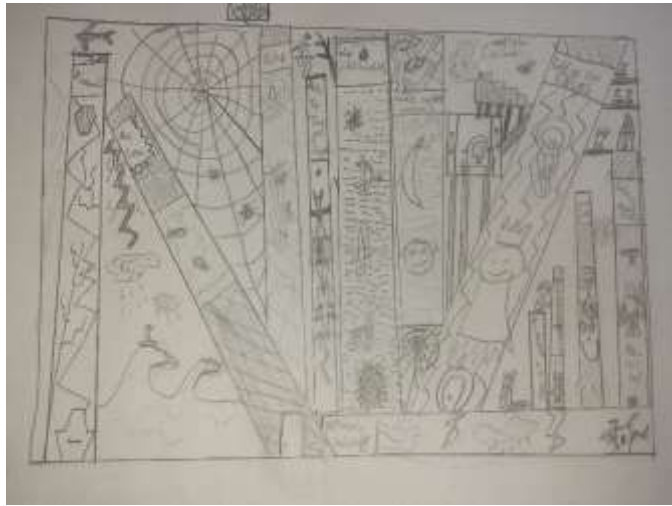
3N have been making the most of the lovely weather this week by doing their art lessons outdoors. Children made nature watercolour paintings in the garden. They also drew around each other in chalk and decorated to create an Ancient Egyptian mural in the playground.





The children in the Rainbow Room have made this fantastic scarecrow for the school garden to stop the birds from eating the seeds they've planted.

Some artwork by Year 4





# The Inclusion Team at Woodhouse



Miss Mason  
SENCo  
Assistant  
Head



Mr Parslow  
Deputy  
Head  
Behaviour  
Lead



Mr  
Kennedy  
Learning  
Mentor



Mrs  
Kennedy  
Pastoral  
Lead

The Inclusion Team at Woodhouse work together with children and families to offer and provide support and opportunities to ensure that all have the chance to achieve and succeed.

If you have anything you would like to discuss with a member of the team regarding your child or children's learning, behaviour, well-being, health or anything else then please get in touch. [families@woodhouse.uwmat.co.uk](mailto:families@woodhouse.uwmat.co.uk)

If you'd like to get in touch with us regarding Special Educational Needs, you can do this by emailing us at [sensupport@woodhouse.uwmat.co.uk](mailto:sensupport@woodhouse.uwmat.co.uk)

The Inclusion Team will also be on the front and rear gates at the start and end of the day and will be more than happy to talk.

We would like to remind families that if times are difficult or you are going through a tough time, you need only ask and we will do all we can. Of course, we are always here for your children, and we will do anything which we can do to help them to learn, succeed and become fine citizens. We are also there for our families and the wider school community. If we can help in any way: with food bank support, support with uniforms and clothing or with any other aspect of life, then please get in touch. If we cannot help directly, we can often sign post to the support needed and help you to access assistance. Please don't suffer in silence.

Zoom or Phone appointments can be made at any point during the school week.

**Anna Freud**  
National Centre for  
Children and Families

**shout**  
**85258**  
here for you 24/7

**Feeling overwhelmed?  
Struggling to cope?**

**24**  
hours a day  
**7**  
days a week

**Text AFC to 85258**

**Text the free, confidential textline**

All texts are answered by trained volunteers,  
with support from experienced clinical specialists

March 26<sup>th</sup> – April 2<sup>nd</sup> is Autism awareness week.



Lucas in 10 will be walking 10,000 steps a day to help raise money and awareness for Autism initiatives in the UK and Ireland.

If you would like to donate towards this fantastic cause, follow the link below:



<https://www.walkforautism.co.uk/fundraisers/ninahirst/walk-for-autism>



On Thursday 1st April at 6pm, we are holding our next family quiz - it would be great to see more of the staff involved please.

You log on before 6:10pm, choose a team name, then at about quarter past 6, the quiz will begin. The quiz is on Quizizz and there are 100 multiple choice questions, but they are straightforward. You don't see anyone else, they don't see you - all anyone has is your team name - which can be anything, so it can be quite anonymous if you wish. It should take you no more than 20 minutes, and you can pause during the time and come back a bit later on.

To sign up, please go here:

<https://www.letslocalise.co.uk/entertainment-details-view?eventId=11222>

If you have friends or family who might be interested, please share.