



NATIONAL JUNIOR INDOOR ROWING CHAMPIONSHIPS

On Friday 1st March 15 year 8 pupils had the opportunity to enter the NJIRC. Students travelled to the Copperbox Arena, in the Olympic Park, London.

This is an amazing event that Birchensale have been entering since 2015. It gives our pupils the opportunity to use what they have practiced against competitors from all across the country.

The pupils each took part in an individual 3 minute row and a team relay. Birchensale's rowers performed admirably, with 13 out of 15 achieving personal best scores. The highest individual finishers in the boys event were 26th and 27th out of almost 300 entries. In the girls event the highest finishers were 84th and 89th from 300.

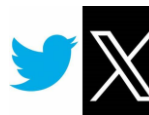
This really was a fantastic day, one which the students will remember for the rest of their lives, knowing that all the practice really did pay off!



IMPORTANT DATES

- 11th - 15th March – Bikeability
- 12th March - Science Museum
- 15th March – Comic Relief
- 19th-22nd March – Achievement Assemblies
- 20th March – Easter concert
- 22nd March – Coffee morning
- 22nd March – Last day of Spring term
- 8th April – Pupils back at school for Summer term

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TESCO STRONGER STARTS

We are in the customer vote for a Tesco Stronger Starts. Tesco customers can vote until the end of March 2024 to decide how much funding we get.

HELP WANTED

The science department are in need of empty 1,2 and 4 pint plastic milk bottles, and 1 or 2 litre plastic pop bottles for some project work. Pupils can bring them in to school during the week and leave them in Lab 2

CAREERS WEEK

This week pupils have been busy learning about lots of different career opportunities and building skills to help them in the future.

We've had lots of visitors into school and parent volunteers.

Year 7 went to the Worcestershire Skills Show and some of Year 8 have taken part in mock interviews. All the school have taken part in workshops from the British Transport Police and Network Rail.

EASTER CONCERT

The children have all been working incredibly hard behind the scenes in preparation for our annual Easter Concert on Wednesday 20th March at 7pm. Tickets are now available for £2 from the Birchensale Shop on MCAS.

Come and join us to watch a spectacular show!

WORLD BOOK DAY

On Thursday, we marked World Book Day in style with pupils celebrating their love of reading by dressing up as their favourite book characters.

Pupils were given £1 world book day token to spend, and Year 5 and 6 were given the opportunity to swap their token in school for one of the free World Book Day books.

Miss Dewstow stole the show with her hilarious Violet Beauregarde costume. Pictured here with Solomon Tyers as Willy Wonka

Even Theo got caught up in the excitement by dressing up as Paddington, his most favourite book character.



MY FAVOURITE BOOK BY MRS POOLE

The Hunger Games (zones 5.3)

In a future North America, where rulers of Panem maintain control through an annual survival competition, 16-year-old Katniss's skills are tested when she voluntarily takes her sister's place.

Mrs Poole says, "This series of books are amazing, you become totally immersed in this frightening battle for survival and standing up for what is right!"

Copies of these books are available in the school library.

THEO'S RECOMMENDED READ

Little People, Big Dreams – Aretha Franklin

by Maria Isabel Sanchez Vegara - (zone 5.3)

Details the life of Aretha Franklin, the best-selling rhythm and blues singer of all time.



LIBRARY NEWS

Term Top quizzers:

Year 5 – Hayden (5JPE) – 34 books
Year 6 - Victoria (5APG) – 46 books
Year 7 – Tyler (7EBO) - 20 books
Year 8 - Najeeb (8MVA) – 16 books

Top 5 Word scorers so far this term:

Victoria (5APG) – 1,297,304
Sylwia (5REV) – 773,125
Zunnurain (7SRO) – 670,500
Izzah (5AGA) – 645,951
Noah (8ARO) – 446,301

Tea and Coffee Morning

Friday 22nd March

9.30 -10.30am

FREE CAKE!



Birchensale 2024 Easter Concert

With special performances from...

Drumming



Soloists



Birchensale Pop Group



Choir



Dance

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Wednesday 20th March

Birchensale Sports Hall

7pm onwards

Tickets £2