

Hob Moor Oaks

27TH FEBRUARY

It was lovely to see so many smiley faces arriving in school on Monday morning, there were lots of pupils settling quickly into their learning and classroom routines.

We have started the half term with the excitement of new arrivals in school. For those of you who follow us on instagram you will have seen that on Monday morning we had a special delivery of an incubator and 10 eggs. Over the first few days pupils have been to see the incubator with the eggs inside, just before we left for home on Wednesday our first chick hatched. Olivia, Laura and myself were there to see it! We had our fingers and toes crossed that there would be some more arrivals when we arrived into school on Thursday morning.

And what a suprise when arrived the next morning to 7 chicks! The final 3 eggs were cracked and looking like they were going getting ready to hatch too. The 8th chick hatched at the start of the day, with the 9th arriving not long after, the final chick hatched at lunch time. Some of our pupils were really lucky that they popped in to see the chicks at just the right time and got to see them hatch.

Did you know that the colours of the chicks let you know if they are boys or girls? We have 4 "brown" girls and 6 "lemon" boys!

The chicks will move from their incubator tomorrow to a brooder box. Next week we will be able to handle them, so there will be lots more opportunitites for visits to see the chicks. We're all excited to see the wonderful learning and experiences the chicks will bring across the school while they are with us. Our instagram page is below if you want to see more updates!

You will be recieving an a copy of your child's class half-term newsletter and timetable shortly, I hope you enjoy reading about what our pupils will be learning about this half-term.

Have a lovely weekend, Sarah



World Book Day

On Thursday 5th March we will be celebrating World Book Day, children are encouraged to dress up as their favourite book character and to bring their favourite book into school.

We are also inviting children to take part in a fun challenge called 'Extreme Reading'. Please send in photograph of your children reading a book in unusual or out of the ordinary places, via taestry or to admin.hmo@ebor.academy by Tuesday 3rd March. The more creative, the better!

Date	Event
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day
Friday 13 th March	Special Ladies Afternoon Letter to follow
Tues 17 th & Weds 18 th March	Woodland Phase Easter performance
Thursday 19 th March	World Down Syndrome Day
Thu 26 th March	Easter Wheelchair Dancing
30 th March - 10 th April	Easter Break
Monday 13 th April	Return to school for Summer term
16 th & 17 th April	Hairdresser Visit

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WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY

We will be celebrating World Down Syndrome Day in school on **Thursday 19th March**. All children and staff are to wear the biggest and brightest and most mismatched socks they have!

See link for information below.

<https://www.worlddownsyndromeday.org/lots-of-socks-campaign>

Being asked why you're wearing #LotsOfSocks is the perfect opportunity to explain: 'I'm wearing them to raise awareness of Down's syndrome.'



The new Tapestry App is now available to download from the Apple App Store, Google Play Store, and Amazon Appstore.

The new app is called **Tapestry – Childhood Education Platform**. This new app will fully replace the old one you've been using. User guides can be found at: <https://support.tapestry.info/new-tapestry-look/#new-tapestry-guides>

