



Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2024

## Newsletter 5 – March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We held our second parent/teacher meeting of the academic year last week. I hope that you enjoyed the opportunity to look at your child's learning. Parents are often quite surprised how much learning that the children actually do! You should now have the information about where your child is up to in their learning and how you can help them to continue to progress. At the risk of sounding like a broken record, don't forget to keep up the reading over the Easter holidays.

Have a wonderful Easter break and I look forward to welcoming you back to the summer term.

### Events

It has been a short half term but we have managed to fit in lots of exciting events.

What a fantastic idea from Martina Bird (FOBHHS) to have a sponsored leap to commemorate the Leap Year! The children had great fun and we raised over £1,000 for our school resources. The Infant school have asked FOBHHS for some books and for some new ipads.



In World Book week we had a virtual author visit, a book swap breakfast and a World Book Day character parade. It was a fabulous week for us all!





Our Year 1 children had a wonderful day at Ness Gardens. They found out all about trees, plants and habitats.



## **Tennis Roadshow**

Every year group had the chance to work with Craig from Hoylake Tennis Club to practise their tennis skills.



## **Golden Rules/Behaviour**

Sometimes our children, because they are young, forget the Golden Rules (Be Kind, Be Safe and Work Hard). If we know that these rules have been broken, then we will always take the time to find out what has happened and help the child who has made the wrong choice reflect on their behaviour. There may also be a sanction put in place if the inappropriate behaviour continues. We encourage our children wherever possible to solve their “fall outs” by using their words and talking things through. It is also important to remember that some children maybe experiencing difficulties in school because of something that is happening in their life at the time. However, if you are concerned about something that has happened in school or the behaviour of another child then the best course of action is to speak directly to your child’s class teacher. They will be able to sort out the problem quickly to make sure that the risk of it happening again is minimised.

## **Trophies**

In our weekly celebration assembly we give out trophies to children. Unfortunately, many of our trophies have not been returned and we are now missing some. I would be grateful if you could check at home whether you have any of our trophies and return them to school as soon as possible so other children can experience the delight of receiving one.

## **Bikes and Scooters**

We encourage our children to walk, cycle and scoot to school. However, once in the school grounds, we ask that children refrain from cycling or scooting in the playground as there are too many people to manoeuvre around safely. Bikes and scooters may be stored in the cycle rack at the top of the playground but I would advise you to lock them up.

## **Annexe Rental**

Our annexe is currently used for our before and after school club. This operates Monday to Friday from 7.15-9.30am and 2.30-5.45pm. The building is, however, available for hire between these times. If you are interested in using this building then please contact our school office for rental costs and more information.

## **Attendance**

A reminder that (school) holiday requests cannot be approved in term time. Holiday leave may be granted in exceptional circumstances. The principles for defining exceptional are: 'rare, significant, unavoidable and short', with 'unavoidable' meaning an event that could not reasonably be scheduled at another time and proof of these elements would need to be obtained.

## **Foundation 1 Places**

Do you have a child born between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021? We are currently taking applications for places in our Foundation 1 provision. Please contact the school office for an application form.

## **Family Toolbox**

<https://familytoolbox.co.uk/>

This site provides families with a wide range of services which they can access in one place. Resources and support are available for a range of concerns or worries such as challenging behaviour, sleep, ADHD and autism.

## **Dogs**

We recognise that dogs are an important part of family life for many in the school community, and as such are often included in day-to-day activities such as walking children to and from school. However, others may find the presence of dogs in the playground and school grounds stressful, even frightening, particularly with younger children, and even well-behaved dogs can behave unpredictably when placed in a busy, noisy and crowded environment. Therefore, school policy is that no dogs are allowed on school premises (either on a lead or carried). We would appreciate your co-operation by not bringing your pet to school.

## **Lost Property**

Please continue to label all items of your children's clothing clearly with their name, so if found then the item can be easily returned to the rightful owner. Please remind your child that they must take responsibility for their property too.

## **PE days for next half term**

Wednesday – F1, Yr1 and Yr2

Friday – F2 (Mrs Bancroft's class)

## **Celebration Assembly**

Celebration Assembly will take place on a Thursday in the summer term, due to PE being on Wednesdays.

## **March**

- Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Bonnet Parade and finish for Easter Holidays  
Children can wear non-uniform

## **April**

- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April – Children return to school

## **May**

- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May - Bank Holiday
- Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May F2 Vision and Audio Screening
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May - Finish for half term (Non Uniform Day)

## **June**

- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June - Staff Development Day
- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June - Children return to school
- Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June - Breakfast Judo club
- Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June – Class Photographs
- w/c 10<sup>th</sup> June - Year 1 Phonic Screening Check
- w/c 17<sup>th</sup> June - Healthy Body, Healthy Mind Week
- Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June Sports Day - (9-10am Yr2 parents, 10-11am Yr1 parents, 11-12 noon F2 parents)
- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June @2.30pm Open Classroom –come and see your children’s work.

## **July**

- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July - Reports out to parents/carers
- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July Mrs Lucan’s class summer sing along @ 2.15pm
- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July Mrs Bancroft’s class assembly @2.15pm
- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July Mrs McLeod’s class assembly @2.15pm
- Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July Mr Hamm’s class assembly @ 2.15pm
- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> Year 2 end of year assembly (2TM and 2CY parents) @2.15pm
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July – Year 2 Talent Show
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July- Finish for Summer (Non Uniform day)

Yours sincerely,

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