



November 2019 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

This half term has started with a bang! Not only have we celebrated firework's night but we have been busy rehearsing for our curriculum showcases which take place on Friday. The children have been working incredibly hard and are very much looking forward to sharing their successes with you. We then look forward to kicking off our new topics of 'Scrumdiddlyumptious' and 'Hola Mexico!'.

On Monday 11th November we will be showing our respects by holding two minutes silence and hearing some war poetry read by some Year 6 pupils.

A big thank you to the volunteers that come in to our school and help to enrich the curriculum for our children. We have parents coming in to listen to readers and Grannies leading baking! If you think you could spare some time or a particular skill, please pop in and speak to a member of staff!

Clubs

MONDAY-Multi-sports

3pm – 4.30pm
Free of charge.

TUESDAY-Football

3pm - 4.10pm

Run by an outside agency (OSAA)
This will run from 10th Sept - 17th Dec and costs £56. Sign up forms available in the office.



TUESDAY-Netball

3pm - 4pm

Run by Caroline Stevenson
£2 per session payable on Parent Pay (All ft raised going towards Y5/6).



WEDNESDAY-Cricket

3pm – 4pm

There will be a teacher/sports leader with any children who wish to stay until 4:30
Free of charge



THURSDAYS from 21st November

SATS CLUB for year 6 with Miss Adair
3-4:15pm

Star and Value Awards

Oak: Ed, Charlie S
Beech: Josh F
Cedar: Thalia



DATES FOR THE DIARY:

NOVEMBER

Friday 8th Rio de Vida showcase 2.15-2:30pm
Friday 8th All parents invited to see child's work 2:30-3pm
Mon 11th New lunch menu tasting session, 3-3:30pm
Wed 13th 'Stay and Play' open nursery session 10-11:30am
Wed 13th School open day 10:15-11:15 and 1:15-2:45
Thurs 14th Mexican Festival at Queen Emma's
Fri 15th Children In Need spots and stripes day!
Thurs 21st Maths Training Session for parents 3-3:30pm
Thurs 28th Bags 2 School collection date

DECEMBER

Tues 3rd Parents evening
Wed 4th Parents evening
Thurs 10th Nativity
Sat 14th FoFS Christmas Fayre
Tues 17th Christingle Service, Finstock Church 9:30am
Wed 18th 'Carols around the tree'
Thurs 19th Last day of term, 1:30pm finish

JANUARY

Mon 6th Term 3 starts
Fri 17th Exhibition of children's work 2:30-3pm

FEBRUARY

Fri 14th Last day of term
Wed 26th Ash Wednesday Church service 9:30am

MARCH

Thurs 5th World Book Day
Fri 13th Sports relief day
Tues 24th Parents evening
Wed 25th Parent evening
Fri 3rd Eastertide, Leaffield Church, 9:30am

APRIL

Fri 3rd Last day, 1:30pm finish
Mon 20th Term Starts

MAY

Mon 11th KS2 SATS week
Fri 22nd Last day of term

JUNE

19th-20th Summer Fete

JULY

Mon 13th Year5/6 residential
Wed 15th Nursery Graduation
Fri 17th Last day of term, 1:30pm finish

Hot Chocolate Friday!



Lots of pupils have celebrated their successes by being invited to Hot Choc Fri! Well done to all of you. Who will be next?!

Our value this term is RESPECT.

"Do to others as you would have them do unto you." Luke 6:31

Every month we will share a link to help keep our children safe.
<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>





Congratulations to our newly appointed Eco-Reps!

Reception – Lexie
Year 1 – Hayley
Year 2 – Charlie
Year 3 - Vivien

Year 4 – Joe
Year 5 – Isabel
Year 6 - Ollie



Our new School Council members are:
Molly, Hattie,
Deven, Josh,
Mia, Roman and Luther.



Home learning is a wonderful way to support your child's development.

Every child has a password for 'Diagnostic Questions' and 'Times Tables Rock Stars'. Please encourage your child to log on at home and give it a go!



Other ways to support your child's learning are:

- Times Tables – don't forget to keep practising these in any way that you choose! You could look on some of these websites:
- <https://nrich.maths.org/primary>
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>
- <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>
- Want to escape technology? Try some of these wonderful activities : <https://www.notimeforflashcards.com/2012/03/50-simple-outdoor-activities-for-kids.html>
- Please try and read with your child every evening. Children accessing the RWI phonics programme will have 4 books in their book bags; the phonics book they're reading in their session, a RWI 'book bag book', a book they would like to read from the library and a book they would like someone to read to them from the library.



Read Write Inc Phonics

If you would like to find out more about how we teach phonics, please take a look at the Ruth Miskin parents site.

<https://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/find-out-more/parents/>

Free ebooks:

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/find-a-book/library-page/>

Vocabulary Ninja - Word of the Day!



We are working diligently to broaden our vocabulary. Why not join in the fun by downloading 'Vocabulary Ninja' and helping your child to learn the 'word of the day'.

Come and visit our school!



Good luck Hattie! Hattie will be travelling to Watford to represent Finstock Primary School in the English Schools Swimming Association (ESSA) East / South-East Primary Schools' swimming championships on Friday 8th November.

Our condolences...

We are saddened to share the news that Nicky Higgins died a short time ago. She worked at the school supporting the teachers in their classes and working one-on-one with students.

Her funeral will be on Monday November 18th at noon at the crematorium. The coffin will leave from Nicky's home on Hill Crescent at 11am. There will be a reception at the Village Hall from 1pm.

Instead of flowers, the family suggest a donation to Katherine House Hospice, Adderbury.