



Dear Parents,

We have had a busy week this week both in school and out of school with some children attending sporting events as well as some visitors to FSU.

We continued to use a story book to help us think about our school value of Kindness. We re-enacted 'The Smeds and Smoos' by Julia Donaldson and thought about how accepting our differences and learning more about them can help everyone get along better. On Wednesday, we had the Eco council talk to the school about the Welly and Waterproof's swap and we then thought about the wonderful world we live in and how we should be showing kindness to our world to ensure that we look after it.

On Wednesday, we also had some of our Year 5&6 children take part in our first match for the Bicester School Football League with a match against King's Meadow Primary School. It was great to see the children work together. I am looking forward to the next matches and involving more pupils! A big thank you to the parents that supported us with transport and cheering our team on.

We also had 8 children from Year 5&6 represent the school in a Bicester Schools Swimming Event, competing individually and in relays against 10 other schools. Once again, thank you to the parents that helped make this event possible by transporting children to the event.

This week also marked the start of the Foundation Stage mystery readers where the children were treated to story time by members of their families and staff from around the school.

For next week, you will be able to make bookings for parents evening on Eduspot from 9am on Monday morning for appointments on the 7th and 8th of February.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Nadia Gosling



Headteacher Award
Niamh
Well Done!



Our Stars of the Week

William

Estelle

Corey

Mabel

Daisy S

Felicity

Maison

Isla

Class Attendance Winner

This week's best attended class is Year 5&6
with: **93%**

Whole school attendance
82%

Also, Well done to everyone for getting into school at 08:45. It makes such a difference!

Breakfast Club & CAST

Drop & Play: Mon-Fri 8.15am-8.45am
8:30am—8:45am
Breakfast club: Mon-Fri 7.50am-8.45am
CAST times: Mon-Thurs 3.15pm-4.15pm
or 3.15pm-5.30pm.

If you would like your child to attend Breakfast Club, Drop & Play or CAST, please book a place using the app. All clubs are open to Reception through to Year 6 children only. If you could please try to get your clubs booked by **Midday Friday** for the week ahead, so that snacks can be arranged. As our numbers are increasing, we may not be able to accept last minute bookings due to the adult ratio's required. Please also be mindful of pick up times, if you are late picking up your child you will be charged for the later session.

Diary dates

- **11th Jan—8th Feb Yr 5/6 Swimming every Thursday**
- **5th February Yr 1/2 Florence Nightingale Workshop**
- **7th February Parent's Evening Reception to Year 6 3:30— 6:00**
- **8th February Parent's Evening Reception to Year 6 4:00 —6:30**
- **12th—16th February Half Term Week**



ECO COUNCIL

As part of our Waste topic we are organising a "Welly and Waterproof Swap" with our Forest School in mind. A collection box will be outside the office each day for donations. The following week, the donations will be available for parents to help themselves to any items their children need. You **DO NOT** need to have made a donation—our aim is to Reduce, Reuse, Recycle. Thank you, in anticipation of your support.

PTA

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Rags2Riches clothing collection. We raised an amazing £163.85. There will be another collection at the beginning of May.

FSU

This week we have heard lots of different versions of the **Three Little Pigs** story, looking at similarities and differences between them. We then heard one called The Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig! We also had some mystery readers visit, including our cleaner, which the children loved. Thank you to those that have volunteered their time to tell us a story



Year 1 & 2

The children in Year 1 and 2 have learnt how to perform a forwards and backwards roll in PE. They have also been learning about emergency services in PSHE. Discussing that an emergency is when someone is badly hurt, ill or has had a serious accident. It would be useful for your child to know where the phone is in your house and their address and postcode in case of an emergency.



Year 3 & 4

This week we have been working more on our map skills in Geography and making "pop up ponds" in Science to teach us about amphibians and other pond life. We have also been working very hard on our assessment papers and learning how to work under test conditions. We sadly said farewell to Huxley and the Utting family this week as they are moving house. We will miss having Huxley's cheerfulness brightening up our days! The children made him a card and all wanted photos and autographs before he left.



Year 5 & 6

This week in Year 5&6, we have been learning about the circulation system. To help with understanding it, we created a real life model of it in the hall: some people represented organs, and others were the blood cells travelling from the heart to the organs and back. We learnt about oxygenated and deoxygenated blood cells too. Year 5&6 wrote amazing explanations of how the system worked - some super scientists!



Safeguarding

Please contact Mrs Clarke, Miss Giles or Mrs Gosling should you have any safeguarding concerns.