



Welcome to Term 4 which has started with a hint of Spring bringing us some sunshine and some rain which we haven't seen much of this year.

As we have started a new term, all classes are starting new topics. The teachers are putting the finishing touches to the Class Newsletters and these will be sent home early next week. I would also like to remind parents that the best way to contact the teachers is via the school office as teachers are not expected to check their emails regularly through out the day as they are with the children.

With the new term starting, we have also moved on to focusing on a new value – Forgiveness. We started off thinking of the phrase 'Wiping the slate clean' and thinking about how forgiveness is important for those forgiving as well as for those being forgiven.

On Tuesday Reverend Lisa visited the school with the Ordinand Lyanne Beckerson as part of showing her many parts of the village. I was delighted to show them round the school and the children really impressed both visitors with their friendliness and their great knowledge about Lent and Easter as we joined class worship sessions and RE lessons.

As the hall was used for a wake on Friday afternoon, we did not have a celebration assembly this week but we will be celebrating their achievements from inside and outside of school next week. If the children receive any certificates, trophies or rosettes from any activities from outside school please do send these in so that we can celebrate these in school too.

It has been brought to my attention that there are some cars that have been parking on the hatched lines at the junction between Fencott Road and the High Street. I am aware that school drop off can be a busy time outside school but for the safety of the children, pedestrians and other drivers please ensure you park in appropriate spaces. For any parents that are in a rush to get to work in the mornings, breakfast club offers a drop and play service from 8:30 for £1 per child. Please sign up using the eduspot system or children can be dropped off without booking for this session.

Finally, I wanted to thank parents that have completed the Microsoft link about building links with parents and the wider community. We are starting to collate the information and will be in contact soon with any further documentation needed or to organise a meeting.

The link (<https://forms.office.com/e/Frrcebyd4x>) is still active for anyone still needing to complete it.

Wishing you all a great weekend.

Nadia Gosling

Eco-Council News

The Eco Council have been busy completing their Environmental Review and putting together an Action Plan for this years Eco Reward application.

The topics are Transport, Biodiversity and Healthy Living. Parents will soon be asked to complete a survey about travelling to school. We look forward to your responses.

New After school Club starting next week for years 3-6 :

Mrs Marie Hamard has kindly offered to lead a Dungeons and Dragons Wednesday after school 3:15- 4:15 for a group of children in Year 3-6. If you would like to sign your child up for these sessions please contact the school office to ensure there is space available.

School Dates

Diary dates

24th February 6-8pm PTA Family Bingo

27th February - 3 rd March World Book day Week

2nd March - Come in to school in your PJ and bring your favourite book in from home (Year $\frac{3}{4}$ will need to bring their PE kit in for their PE session in the afternoon)

7th March Teddie's Cross Country Event for some Y5/6

17th March Red Nose Day – details to follow

24th March 5:30pm – 7 PTA Easter Disco

Class Attendance Winner

This week's best attended class is Year 3/4 with:

99.43% attendance

Whole school attendance

98.29%

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

World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day with a week of fun activities in school!

Monday 27th February: Drop Everything And Read. Children will 'drop everything and read' at a designated time for 10 minutes during the school day.

Tuesday 28th February: Children from different year groups will come together during the school day to read together and share stories.

Wednesday 1st March: Children will be put into different mixed age groups during the day and listen to a storytime delivered by a member of staff.

Thursday 2nd March: Children will be invited to come into school in their pyjamas and 'snuggle up' with their favourite book and a cup of hot chocolate during the day. Please could your child bring in a copy of their favourite book from home.

Friday 3rd March: A special story time will be delivered to all of the children at the end of the day during celebration assembly.

Breakfast Club & CAST

Drop & Play: Mon-Fri 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.

CAST mobile no: 07395182892

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 Sunday 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.

Early Years

In FSU we have really enjoyed our story of the week- A Squash and a Squeeze, including watching a film with Axel Scheffler drawing a picture for the book and chatting to the author Julia Donaldson. Of course with it being Shrove Tuesday we have had some popular role play - making 'pancakes' to share!



Year 1 & 2

It has been a great first week back in Year 1 and 2. We started our new history topic looking at significant people. We all wrote down someone who we felt was significant and we had suggestions such as King Charles, Mo Salah, David Attenborough and Samuel Pepys (great memories from our Great Fire of London topic)! We also began looking at our new book 'Look Up' which is all about space. We wrote amazing descriptions of a starry sky.



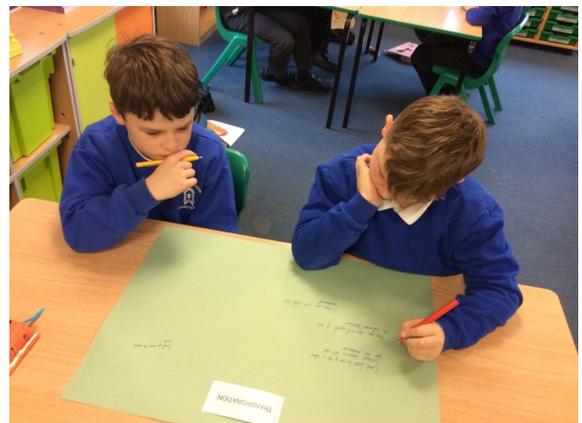
Year 3 & 4

This week in maths, we have started our unit on fractions. We began by building a fraction Wall to help us compare fractions. We were able to spot that the bigger the denominator the smaller the equal parts are.



Year 5 & 6

This week, Year 5/6 started their guided reading book, 'Politics for Beginners'. They pretended they were in charge of different parts of the government and thought of questions they would need to discuss. The children came up with some very interesting and insightful questions.



Safeguarding

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