

Finedon Schools Weekly Newsletter

Friday 1st March 2024



MESSAGE FROM MRS LLOYD-WILLIAMS

Welcome back to term four! I hope you all had a lovely half term – it was certainly great to see some spring weather at the beginning of the week!

The children have all come back to school rested and have settled brilliantly into the term's learning – a very busy but short term!

We are pleased to say that following some weeks of low attendance last term, this week has been a positive week at both schools with only two classes not achieving our target of 96% attendance for the week! Thank you to everybody for helping us to achieve this positive start, which we hope will continue!

We look forward to meeting with parents and carers next week to give an update on pupil progress and share next steps in learning with ideas for how you can support your child further at home. If you've not already made your appointment, please do so on the Arbor Parent Portal.

CHOIR PERFORMANCE

On Wednesday, our school choir performed for the Over 60 Club. It was a lovely opportunity for the children and great to see the enjoyment their singing gave to members of the club.

The children were lucky enough to receive an Easter egg and a very kind donation was given to the school by the club.



CRICKET TASTER DAY AT THE INFANT SCHOOL

This week, the Infant School had a visit from two coaches from Northamptonshire County Cricket Club. The day started with a whole school assembly, before each class had a taster session with the coaches. The children got to practise their bowling, catching, and batting skills. All children came home with information on how to sign up to All Stars Cricket, taking place in the summer, should your child wish to participate.



ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to **Flamingo Class** with 98.1% attendance who are this week's attendance winners at the Infant School.

Well done to Toucan, Peacock and Nightingale Classes who also achieved over 96%.

Congratulations to **Starling Class** with 99.2% attendance who are this week's attendance winners at the Junior School.

Well done to Kestrel, Magpie, Kingfisher, Chaffinch and Woodpecker Classes who also achieved over 96%.

STARS OF THE WEEK

Infant School Stars

Flamingo Class	Shelby
Toucan Class	Ivy
Nightingale Class	Arthur
Peacock Class	Sophia
Dove Class	Henry
Puffin Class	Violet

INFANT VALUE STARS – HONESTY

The value stars were awarded to Rupert, Bella, Rose, Elay, Nathen and Amelia-Rose

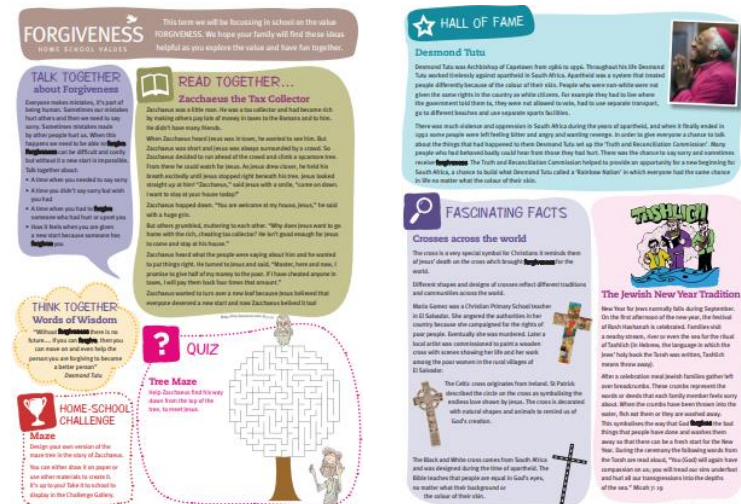
Junior School Stars

Chaffinch Class	Hari
Woodpecker Class	Poppy
Kestrel Class	Ezzra-Cai
Starling Class	Alina
Kingfisher Class	Nolan
Magpie Class	Caleb
Red Kite Class	Gabrielle
Robin Class	Tyler H

JUNIOR VALUE STARS - FORGIVENESS

The value stars nominated by the children, were awarded to Joshua, Rex, Billy, Archie, Nakai, Caleb, Rosalia and Ruben.

Do take a look at this home school [value sheet](#) on our school website with ideas for you to explore the value of forgiveness at home with your child.



ACHIEVEMENTS ATTAINED OUT OF SCHOOL

Congratulations to the following children who celebrated their achievements in this week's assemblies:

NUMBOTS

Every fortnight the Infant School awards a certificate to a child in Reception and Year 1 who are one of the top contributors on Numbots.

This week certificates were awarded to Emilia and Milosz.

Do try to login to Numbots with your child as the app helps to build number fluency and mathematical confidence. Your child's login can be found inside their reading record.



TT ROCKTARS

Year 2 have been introduced to TT Rockstars and we have seen a huge engagement level with over 85% of the year group accessing the app. A TT Rockstars club will run at lunchtime every Thursday so that all Year 2 children have the opportunity to access it.

Well done to Rex for being the highest scoring Year Two player on TT Rock Stars this week.



KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE ONLINE

We need to be mindful that as young people spend much more time online, they will come across many types of news - fake, real, biased, exaggerated and AI generated impersonation.

They are then only a few clicks away to exploring more and are vulnerable to being drawn into risky things.

Please [click here](#) to view a larger image of the below informative wall poster that serves to reinforce online safety practices and encourages open conversations among young people, parents, caregivers, and colleagues.



EASY PEASY PARENTING PROGRAMME

[Click here](#) for information about the EasyPeasy App which is a very useful programme run by North Northamptonshire Council's Family Hub to give free advice and activity ideas to parents and carers of children from birth to five years old.

BOOK FAIR

The Infant School are holding a Book Fair on Tuesday 5th, Wednesday 6th, Thursday 7th and Friday 8th March. The fair will be open after school until 4:00pm on Tuesday and Friday. It will remain open longer on Wednesday and Thursday to give parents and children a chance to visit the fair during the parent/teacher appointments.



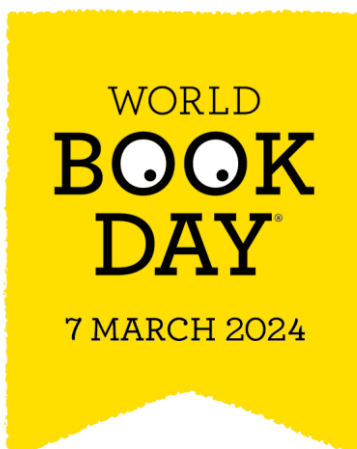
It's Book Fair Time!

WORLD BOOK DAY

Earlier in the week, your child brought home a design sheet. This is for our 'Design a book character' competition in aid of World Book Day. Entries must be in school by Monday 4th March. 5 winners (one from Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Years 3/4 and Years 5/6) will be chosen to win a £5 voucher to spend at the Infant School's Scholastic Book Fair.

The Infant School will be celebrating World Book Day by having the opportunity to come to school in their pyjamas and dressing gowns next Thursday 7th March! Children are encouraged to bring their favourite bedtime story and teddy bear too if they wish! Please do ensure all items from home are named and that usual school shoes are worn - no slippers please.

Finally, on Thursday 7th March we welcome in parents and carers to join your child's class for 35 minutes for a fun reading together session. This will take place at 8:40am – 9:15am at the Infant School and 2:40pm – 3:15pm at the Junior School.



COOKING ON A BUDGET WEBINAR

The Northamptonshire Healthy Schools Campaign will be holding a free webinar for families on **16th March** to find out how to create healthy, affordable meals on a budget.

You will receive tips to help make budgets go further when planning what to eat, shopping and cooking and you will also look at some nutritious foods that are low in cost.

Click [here](#) to book your place.

DONATIONS OF CLOTHES WANTED

We keep a supply of spare items of clothes in school in case a child should need to change their clothing as a result of an accident.

At the Infant School we have plenty of school jumpers, cardigans and t-shirts available however our stock is currently very low of certain items including girls' and boys' pants, socks, tights and trousers/joggers. If you are able to donate any spare items from home that are between ages 4 and 7 in size, this would be very much appreciated.

In addition, if your child has come home wearing a school item, please could you kindly wash and return the item so we can add it back into our stock. Thank you.

**DONATIONS
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LOST PROPERTY

Please help us to ensure that lost property can be easily returned to its owner by naming all items of uniform.

You could simply write it in the label with a permanent marker pen or buy sew-in or iron-on name labels. Please check regularly that the name is still visible after washing.



SAFETY

Please make sure when dropping off or collecting your child from Apple Tree Club, that you use the pathway that runs alongside the building to access the club. For the safety of children and parents please do not use the school car park as a shortcut. Even if our school gates are open, you must still use the pedestrian gate to access the school grounds.

Thank you for your support in helping to keep the area around school safe for everybody.

APPLE TREE CLUB

Booking is open for the Easter holiday at Apple Tree Club.

You are able to book 8:00 a.m. - 5:45 p.m. for £23.50 which includes breakfast or 8:50 a.m. - 5:45 p.m. for £20.00. Half day places are also available.

If you would like more details about our Club, then please contact the club manager, Caralyn Cox on 07766 978374.



SAFEGUARDING

All children have the right to grow up and learn in a safe and secure environment. If you have a safeguarding concern, please contact one of our designated safeguarding leads, listed below.

Mrs Joanne Lloyd-Williams	head@finedonmulso.northants-ecl.gov.uk
Mrs Caroline Jewell	caroline.jewell@iflt.org.uk
Miss Lucy Sadler	lucy.sadler@iflt.org.uk
Miss Felicity Pettitt	felicity.pettitt@iflt.org.uk
Mrs Jen Reed	jen.reed@iflt.org.uk
Mrs Caralyn Cox (for Apple Tree Club)	caralyn.cox@iflt.org.uk

- 01933 680467 (Infant School)

If you are worried about a child outside of school time you can call the local Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub for advice (anonymously if needs, be) on 0300 126 7000 or 0300 126 1000.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please see key dates for you to be aware of. **New dates in red font.**

Date	What's on
Thursday 7 th March	Pyjama Day at the Infant School
Thursday 7 th March at 8:40am – 9:15am	Parent and Child Reading together sessions at the Infant School
Thursday 7 th March at 2:40pm – 3:15pm	Parent and Child Reading together sessions at the Junior School.
Thursday 7 th March	Wonderful Women Present Room at the Junior School
Friday 8 th March	Wonderful Women Present Room at the Infant School
w/c Monday 4 th March	Learning Review Meetings taking place this week
Wednesday 13 th – Friday 15 th March	Year 4 Residential to Whitemoor Lakes
Wednesday 20 th March	School Photo Day - Class Photo's
Thursday 21 st March at 9:15 am	Performance for Y3 parents of stringed instrument playing
Tuesday 21 st – Friday 24 th May	Year 6 Residential to Sheringham

- 01933 680433 (Junior School)



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PART OF ENGLAND FOOTBALL



**FOR
ALL**

LOOKING TO JOIN A FOOTBALL TEAM?

WE ARE LOOKING TO ADD TEAMS FROM U5'S TO U16'S

JOIN A FOOTBALL CLUB THAT:

CREATES A FUN AND FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT

BOASTS PASSIONATE, ENTHUSIASTIC, COMMITTED, AND QUALIFIED COACHES

**OFFERS WEEKLY TRAINING SESSIONS IN RUSHDEN
IS AFFORDABLE!**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO JOIN OUR FOOTBALL
FAMILY PLEASE CONTACT US:**



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WE WANT YOU!

WE ARE CURRENTLY LOOKING TO RECRUIT COACHES FOR OUR
UPCOMING YOUTH TEAMS, FROM U5'S TO U16'S

FINANCIAL SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE TO HELP
YOU ACHIEVE THE FOLLOWING:

FA LEVEL 1 INTRODUCTION TO COACHING FOOTBALL
FIRST AID TRAINING
SAFEGUARDING
DBS SECURITY CHECKS

ALL KIT AND EQUIPMENT PROVIDED.
FULL SUPPORT AND COACH MENTORING GIVEN.
OPPORTUNITIES TO DEVELOP FURTHER.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO INSPIRE THE NEXT GENERATION OF
FOOTBALLERS PLEASE CONTACT US:



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