# Finedon Schools Weekly Newsletter

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2024

## IMPORTANT DATES

Do take a look at the dates page at the end of the newsletter as we have put lots of new dates for our summer term activities.

Finedon Infant School



#### MESSAGE FROM MRS LLOYD-WILLIAMS

Welcome back to school for the summer term -I hope you enjoyed a good Easter break in spite of the very changeable weather!

This is a busy term for the children and especially so for Year Six who will be undertaking their end of key stage assessments. Thank you for supporting their learning at home and ensuring that the children keep healthy with regular exercise, eating a good diet and getting plenty of sleep. This will really help them to be prepared for a busy day at school!

As always, staff in school are committed to ensuring that your child is settled and happy so that they can make the best of all learning opportunities. Please never hesitate to get in touch with your child's class teacher if you wish to discuss any aspect of their learning or welfare.

We are really hoping that we can all work together to improve attendance this term, so that we end the year with it being as close to 96% as possible. The Junior School attendance has started off brilliantly this term with daily attendance of at least 96%, but the Infant School attendance has averaged around 93%, which is disappointing.

Every day spent in school is vital to your child's learning progress, as learning builds sequentially on previous lessons.



#### ATTENDANCE

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

Unfortunately, no other class achieved over 96% this week.

JUNIOR VALUE STARS – FRIENDSHIP

The value stars nominated by the children, were awarded to Harry, Poppy, Warne, Myah, Nakai, Amelia, Leonard and Zane.

### ACHIEVEMENTS ATTAINED OUT OF SCHOOL

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

Congratulations to **Magpie Class** with 100% attendance who are this week's attendance winners at the Junior School.

Well done to Starling, Woodpecker and Chaffinch Classes who also achieved over 96%.

#### **STARS OF THE WEEK**

Infant School Stars		
Nightingale Class	Ra'shawn	
Peacock Class	Isaac	
Dove Class	Carter	
Puffin Class	Jaidan	

Due to their educational visit, Flamingo and Toucan Class were not in the Star of the Week Assembly.

## **INFANT VALUE STARS – POSITIVITY**

The value stars were awarded to Ava, Theodore, Effie and Lonebari.

Junior School Stars		
Chaffinch Class	Rupert	
Woodpecker Class	Lewis	
Kestrel Class	Isabelle	
Starling Class	Billy	
Kingfisher Class	Casper	
Magpie Class	Devon	
Red Kite Class	Emily	
Robin Class	Alexa	

### **NUMBOTS**

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

This week certificates were awarded to Oscar 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 pupils use TT Rockstars and Alfie was awarded for being the highest scoring player of the fortnight.

#### JUNIOR SCHOOL VALUE OF FRIENDSHIP

On Monday, the value of friendship was introduced to the children in Worship. Friendship bracelets are a special way to show someone that they are a valued friend. The strands of the bracelet are plaited together to make it stronger, and the plaiting takes time and effort, just as building and maintaining a good friendship does.

Children were invited to take some wool and create bracelets of their own to give to a friend. It has been lovely to see children enthusiastically making friendship bracelets in the playground at lunchtime!







### **SPRINGTIME FLOWER CRAFTS**

Over the Easter holidays, all Infant children were invited to create a piece of art or craft that was inspired by springtime flowers. We have been very impressed with the creations that have been brought into school this week!

We plan to brighten up our main corridor and display the children's work in school.



## YEAR FOUR MULTIPLICATION TIMES TABLE CHECK (MTC)

By the end of year four, children should know all times table facts up to  $12 \times 12$ . To check this key objective, there is a requirement for all children in year four to sit a multiplication test (MTC). This is an electronic test with 25 random questions that children must answer within 6 seconds.

Year four will sit the MTC at the start of June.

To help your child prepare, please ensure they practise their times tables regularly over the coming weeks. They can do this through TT Rockstars (the Soundcheck Game mirrors the MTC) or by using the paper sheets they bring home.



## PARKING

Please park considerately when dropping off or collecting your child from the Infant School. The coach returning from an educational visit was unable to drive down High Street due to cars double parking which meant the children could not get off the coach in time for the end of the school day.

On another day this could be a fire engine or emergency vehicle trying to get through.

#### 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	head@finedonmulso.northants-
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Sadler		
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Pettitt		
Mrs Jer	n Reed	jen.reed@iflt.org.uk

Mrs Caralyn Cox (for Apple Tree Club)

- 01933 680433 (Junior School)
- 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. Any new dates are shown in red font.

Date	What's on
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	School closed – bank holiday
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> – Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Year Six SATs
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> – Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 Residential to Sheringham
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	FoFS Spring Festival for Infant School children
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Term five ends.
Tuesday 4th June	Term six begins
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 & 2 trip to Hunstanton
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Year Six STEM day Northampton University
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Year Three visit to Leicester museum
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.	Reception 2024 new intake information session
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Sports Day – Junior School in the morning and Infant School in the afternoon
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition Day – children spend the day in their September class.
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition Day – children spend a second day in their September class
Week beginning 8 <sup>th</sup> July	End of year reports issued

Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Fair
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Year Six Production
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Church service to say goodbye to Year Six
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Year Six visit to Boost
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Term six ends