

# Finedon Schools Weekly Newsletter

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022



## MESSAGE FROM MRS LLOYD-WILLIAMS

As we come to the end of term four, I would like to say a huge thank you to all our families for supporting their child's learning. The children have worked really hard in school and are progressing well from their starting points at the beginning of the year.

Towards the end of this term, we have seen the number of children and staff members with Covid increase. Thank you to the staff who have shown great teamwork, working flexibly to cover absent colleagues.

I hope that over Easter everybody will be able to recover from the many bugs that seem to have been circulating this week, so that the whole school community can return ready to embark on Term Five.

Children in Year Six have their revision books and a pack of further revision materials to complete over Easter. This will support their preparations for the end of year tests, due to be taken week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> May. These tests really are nothing to worry about but simply allow the children an opportunity to demonstrate just how much they have developed in their learning during their time at the Junior School.

I hope that you all have a happy Easter and enjoy spending time together. We look forward to welcoming all the children back to school on **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April.**

## EASTER CHURCH SERVICE

Thank you to all those parents and carers who attended our Easter Church Service. We were proud of the way the children performed their words and of the singing which together retold the story behind this important Christian festival.



It was lovely to have Father Richard closing the service – we will be sad to lose him from our school community when he moves out of the parish next month. We look forward to welcoming him into school for one final worship after Easter.



## ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to **Puffin Class** with 96.1% attendance who are this week's attendance winners at the Infant School.

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

Unfortunately, no class at the Junior School hit our attendance target of 96% this week.



## ATTENDANCE

This term, our attendance draws focused on children who have improved their September to December attendance since January by greater than 5%. Congratulations to Zachary and Oliver who were the winners. They each win a £15 Amazon voucher.

## WORLD BOOK DAY COMPETITION

Well done to all the children who entered the World Book Day competition, completing 25 challenges throughout March. The entries were drawn 'from a hat' with Charlotte as the Reception winner, Ivy the Key Stage 1 winner and Adriana the Key Stage 2 winner. They each received a £10 book voucher.

## MUSIC PERFORMANCES

Well done to Year Three who over the past ten weeks have been learning to play a stringed instrument. It was lovely to see the children deep in concentration as they proudly performed to an audience of parents and carers. They did a brilliant job! Special thanks must go to Mrs Bell and Mrs Tollervey, the teachers from NMPAT.

We have over one third of the year group undertaking the continuation project after Easter where they will continue to learn to play their instrument for a further ten weeks.

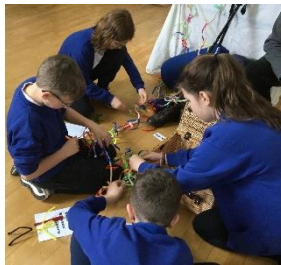
## PRAYER SPACE

One of our Governors (and ex-teacher of our school), Mrs Clarke planned and ran an Easter prayer space event at the Junior School today. Each class had time in the prayer space and rotated around a series of stations, reflecting on the question posed at the station.

The team of volunteers from Mrs Clarke's Church were extremely impressed with the behaviour of the children, their understanding of Christian values and their thoughtful contributions and reflections.

A huge thank you to Mrs Clarke for organising this very successful event.





## UPDATE FROM FOFS

### Wonderful Women Present Room

Thank you to everyone who helped organise and run the event, with special thanks to the staff at each school for orchestrating the children and ensuring our plans went ahead without a hitch!

The event was a huge success and the children loved coming and picking out special gifts for their loved ones. It was lovely to see the amount of thought they put into choosing their gifts, really considering what the 'Wonderful Woman' they were choosing for would like. We hope you enjoyed the gifts as much as your children did picking them.

We managed to raise a total of £410.68 from this event and this will go towards resources to support the education of pupils at each school.



## STAFF NEWS

We would like to thank Reece Buckby who left Apple Tree Club this week. He has been a valued member of the team and we would like to wish him good luck for the future.

We have appointed Miss Shearing to the role and she will start after Easter.



## St. Michael's Playgroup Easter Fair

Check out our trinkets and tombola stall at St. Michael's Playgroup Easter fair, being held between 1pm and 4pm on 9th April at the Infant School.

## Bag 2 School

Don't forget our first 'Bag 2 School' collection is scheduled for 21st April. Leaflets have been sent out in bookbags providing more detail, however, should you have any questions please email [Finedon.fofs@iflt.org.uk](mailto:Finedon.fofs@iflt.org.uk) or message us on Facebook @finedon.fofs.

## Second-hand Uniform Sale

Next term, we plan to hold second-hand uniform sales. Watch this space or follow us on Facebook for more updates. If you would like to donate any good quality, used uniform, please hand it into either office.

## Summer Fair

We are pleased to announce that we will be holding the Summer Fair after school at the Junior School on Friday 15th July.

If you are able to volunteer any of your time to help run the event, please get in touch via email or Facebook. We are looking for approximately 30 volunteers to ensure the event runs smoothly!

Thanks everyone for your continued support, it is greatly appreciated.

## INFORMATION FROM NORTHAMPTONSHIRE HEALTHY SCHOOLS TEAM

We are pleased to announce that our Supporting Children and Young People to Manage Anxiety workshop which we deliver to education staff has now been adapted and recorded for parents to benefit from.

Here is the link for the Managing anxiety; supporting you and your children [video](#).

Alongside the video there is a resource pack with further information for parents. We have sent this along with the newsletter.

## JOB OPPORTUNITIES



**Midday Supervisor**  
**Finedon Mulso C of E Junior School**

We are looking to appoint a Midday Supervisor to join our Junior School team as soon as possible. This is a permanent appointment.

Interested in joining our team? Visit our website for more details.

Applications to be received by noon on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2022.



Please see our [website](#) for two teaching vacancies.

## 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	<a href="mailto:head@finedonmulso.northants-ecl.gov.uk">head@finedonmulso.northants-ecl.gov.uk</a>
Mrs Caroline Jewell	<a href="mailto:caroline.jewell@iflt.org.uk">caroline.jewell@iflt.org.uk</a>
Miss Lucy Sadler	<a href="mailto:lucy.sadler@iflt.org.uk">lucy.sadler@iflt.org.uk</a>
Miss Felicity Pettitt	<a href="mailto:felicity.pettitt@iflt.org.uk">felicity.pettitt@iflt.org.uk</a>
Mrs Sarah Rae	<a href="mailto:sarah.rae@iflt.org.uk">sarah.rae@iflt.org.uk</a>
Mrs Caralyn Cox (for Apple Tree Club)	<a href="mailto:caralyn.cox@iflt.org.uk">caralyn.cox@iflt.org.uk</a>

- 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 **below** key dates for you to be aware of:

Date	What's on
Tuesday 19th April	Term Five begins
Friday 29th April	Year Six swimming lessons begin
Wednesday 25th May	Infant School Platinum Jubilee celebrations
Friday 27th May	Junior School Platinum Jubilee celebrations.
Friday 27th May	Term Five ends
Tuesday 7th June	Term Six begins
Tuesday 5th July – Friday 8th July	Year Five/Six Residential to Sheringham
Friday 22nd July	Term Six ends





Easter Fayre at St. Michael's Playgroup  
Finedon  
Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April  
1-4pm

- Refreshments
- Free children's games/activities
- Raffle
- Tombola
- Easter egg hunt



Stalls sponsored by:

- Finedon Volta Juniors Football Club
- Finedon's Finest Chips
- Tingdene Garden Centre
- Salvatores Ristorante Italiano
- Finedon Pizza
- Premiership Lawncare
- Saylem Aesthetics

Independent stalls from:

- Skins best with Jess (Body Shop)    Sensory perfections (Sensory items for children/adults)  
Avon with Shaunie    Friends of Finedon Schools.    Sibley's Scentz (Wax melts)  
The Shop - Traditional sweets    Helen's wool    Finedon Trefoil Guild