

Finedon Schools Weekly Newsletter

Friday 22nd April 2022



MESSAGE FROM MRS LLOYD-WILLIAMS

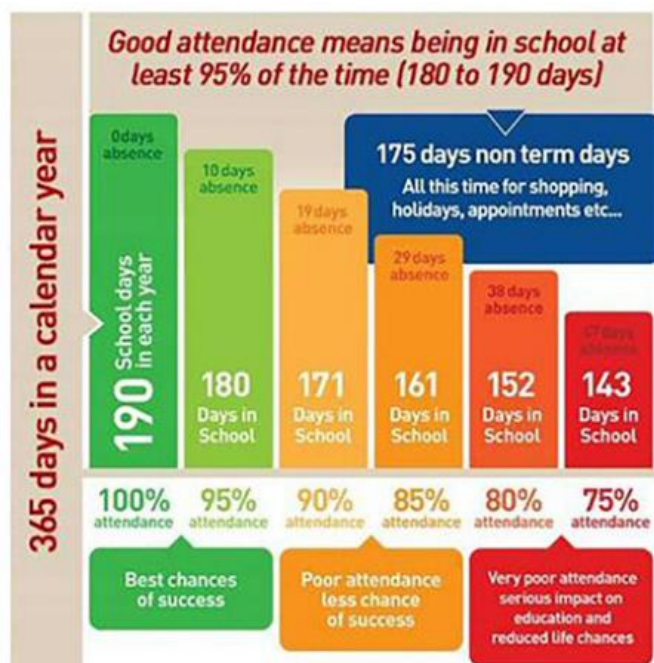
Welcome back to school for the summer term – I hope you enjoyed a good Easter. It has been lovely to have some warm and sunny weather this week and to see the children benefitting from this, happily engaging with their friends in the playground following the break.

This is a busy term for the children and especially so for Year Two and Year Six who will be undertaking their end of key stage assessments. Thank you for supporting their learning at home – we know that Year Six have been particularly productive over the Easter break, working through their revision packs.

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

You've done an excellent job this week with both schools achieving 96.49%! THANK YOU!

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 your child's learning or welfare.



DID YOU KNOW? A two week holiday in term time means that the highest attendance you can achieve is **94.7%**

ATTENDANCE – GREAT NEWS!

Congratulations to **Flamingo Class** with 98.9% attendance who are this week's attendance winners at the Infant School.

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

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

All other classes also achieved over 96% - well done!



STARS OF THE WEEK

Infant School Stars	
Flamingo Class	Aidan
Toucan Class	Theodore
Nightingale Class	Logan
Peacock Class	Brooke
Dove Class	Archie
Puffin Class	Freddie

- Samuel, Jailani, Tyreese, Lily and Isla who were Hotshots competition winners
- Kaisie for progressing in kickboxing



INFANT VALUE STARS - TRUST

The value stars nominated by the teachers, were awarded to Kayden, Harvey, Eloise, Olivia and Oliver L.



In assembly, it was lovely to hear examples of how these children can be trusted to follow our school expectations for learning and caring for others.

The Junior School's value for this term is being introduced next week.

Junior School Stars	
Chaffinch Class	Barnaby
Kestrel Class	Leo F
Woodpecker Class	Marlie
Magpie Class	Oliver A
Red Kite Class	Poppy
Robin Class	Kyle



ACHIEVEMENTS ATTAINED OUT OF SCHOOL

Congratulations to the following children for their achievements:

- Ivy who came 3rd in a dance competition
- Harper, Violet, Jordan and Kyrach-Joy for their success in gymnastics
- Darcey, Annabelle, Kaisie, Thea and Rosie for their swimming achievements
- Billy who won man of the match at his football game
- George for receiving an award for his outstanding rugby training



NUMBOTS CHAMPS

Congratulations to the Numbot Champs for this fortnight:

Flamingo Class	Thea
Toucan Class	Theo
Nightingale Class	Joey
Peacock Class	Bella



TIMES TABLE ROCK STARS

Year Two were sent home with their TT Rock Stars login before the Easter break. If you need a reminder of this, please speak to your child's class teacher.

The first highest scoring children are:

Dove Class	Warne
Puffin Class	Jacob



READING REWARDS AT THE JUNIOR SCHOOL

At the end of last term, we published the results of the raffle ticket winners. We have decided to award the class with the most improved number of tickets as well. This award went to Magpie Class who had improved the most between February and April. They chose a book for their class.

RECEPTION OUTDOOR AREA

Once again, we are really grateful to the Finedon Education Charity Trust for their very generous donation to enable us to develop Reception's outdoor learning space. I think you will agree the transformation is amazing!

The children have really enjoyed learning in the new space this week and it will benefit children for many years to come.

Before:



After:



SCHOOL COUNCIL VISIT TO THE ALLOTMENT

Today the Infant School Council visited their allotment for its official opening by Revered Richard Coles and planted a tree to mark the occasion.

The allotment has been created for the school by Bud Abbott and his wife Sue who have dedicated hours of their time and many resources to lovingly develop it into a fantastic learning environment for the children.

We are extremely grateful to them and to Mrs Rae for her passion in working with Bud on the project for the benefit of the children.

Reception children are really looking forward to their visits to the allotment over the coming weeks and will be starting to grow produce and undertake other exciting outdoor learning activities.



GOODBYE TO FATHER RICHARD

Yesterday Reverend Richard Coles made his last visit to the Junior School. He has visited regularly during his eleven years in Finedon, leading Worship.

During his visit he presented all new starters to the school and Year Three with their Bibles, which they will use in class throughout their time at the school. We are grateful to Father Richard for funding the Bibles.

We wished him well through a poem written to the words of his famous song and through singing a round using the format of 'London's Burning'. We wish Father Richard lots of luck for the new chapter in his life by the sea and shall certainly miss his creative engagement with the children.



SHERINGHAM RESIDENTIAL

A reminder that the April instalment was due on 1st. Please ensure that this is paid as soon as possible.



CLASS PHOTOS

Class photo proofs have been sent home this week. You can either order online, using the form provided with the proof or by sending payment into school in the sealed envelope. Orders should be placed by **Friday 29th April** to avoid postage charges.

TEMPEST

PHOTOGRAPHY

COVID UPDATE

If your child has symptoms of a respiratory infection, such as COVID-19, and has a high temperature or does not feel well enough to go to school they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people, until they no longer have a high temperature (if they had one) or until they no longer feel unwell.

If your child has a positive COVID-19 test result they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test, if they can. After 3 days, if they feel well and do not have a high temperature the risk of passing the infection on to others is much lower.

UPDATE FROM FOFS

We hope you all had an enjoyable Easter break. We had a lovely time running our stall at St. Michael's Playgroup Easter Fair. We managed to make a modest £27 and there were lots of happy faces. It was great to do something different, and we were very grateful to have been given the opportunity.

Thank you to everyone who donated their unwanted clothes to our Bag2School collection this week. We'll let you know the total raised from this once we know.

We will be holding a second-hand uniform sale on **Friday 13th May** at the Infant School, specifically for the children who will be moving up to the Junior School in September. Please see the poster on the last page for more information.

We're still looking for volunteers to help out at this year's Summer Fair on 15th July. If you'd like to help but don't think you'll be able to take time off work, fear not, it's come to our attention that lots of employers now offer paid for or time in lieu volunteer days!!

If you are able to volunteer your time to help with this event please email Finedon.fofs@iflt.org.uk or message us on Facebook.



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 Sarah Rae	sarah.rae@iflt.org.uk
Mrs Caralyn Cox (for Apple Tree Club)	caralyn.cox@iflt.org.uk

- 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
Wednesday 25 th May p.m. time TBC	Infant School Platinum Jubilee celebrations
Friday 27 th May p.m. time TBC	Junior School Platinum Jubilee celebrations
Friday 27 th May	Term Five ends
Monday 6 th June	School closed (extra bank holiday day)
Tuesday 7 th June	Term Six begins
Wednesday 15 th June	Reception visit to East Lodge Farm
Tuesday 21 st June	Y6 visit University of Northampton for a STEAM day
Tuesday 21 st June	Y2 visit the Junior school for a tour and picnic with Y3
Wednesday 22 nd June	Infant School Sports Afternoon

Friday 24 th June	Mufti day – bring in items for the summer fair
Wednesday 29 th June	Junior School Sports Afternoon
Thursday 30 th June	Transition Day – children spend the day in their September class. After school, parents invited to meet the teacher and to see their child's new classroom
Friday 1 st July	Transition Day – children spend a second day in their September class
Tuesday 5 th July – Friday 8 th July	Year Five/Six Residential to Sheringham
Friday 15 th July after school	Summer Fair
Tuesday 19 th July	Y6 Production - first evening performance
Wednesday 20 th July	Y6 Production - second evening performance
Thursday 21 st July 9:30	KS2 Church Service
Friday 22 nd July	Term Six ends



JUNIOR SCHOOL UNIFORM SALE FOR SEPTEMBER 2022 ADMISSIONS

FRIDAY 13TH MAY 2022 IN THE INFANT
SCHOOL PLAYGROUND AT 3.10PM
PLEASE GET IN CONTACT WITH EITHER
SCHOOL OFFICE IF YOU'RE UNABLE TO
ATTEND BUT NEED SCHOOL UNIFORM FOR
NEW STARTERS AT THE JUNIOR SCHOOL

IF YOU HAVE ANY SCHOOL
UNIFORM TO DONATE TO THE
SCHOOL SALE TO HELP OTHER
FAMILIES PLEASE BRING THEM
INTO EITHER SCHOOL OFFICE BY
30TH APRIL

FOR ANY OTHER QUERIES OR IF YOU'RE UNABLE TO ATTEND AND NEED UNIFORM PLEASE CONTACT
FINEDON.FOFS@IFLT.ORG.UK AND WE WILL TRY OUR BEST TO HELP.

PLEASE NOTE ALL CLOTHES SOLD IN THE SALE ARE 2ND HAND