

Finedon Schools Weekly Newsletter

Friday 8th July 2022

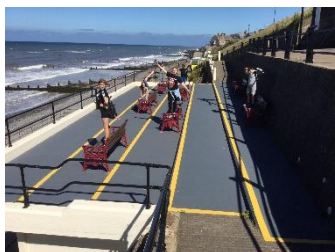


YEAR FIVE/SIX RESIDENTIAL

This week was the Year Five/Six residential in Sheringham. The children have had a fantastic time and enjoyed a range of activities of including visiting BeWILDerwood, swimming, a seal boat trip and the British seaside classics of fish and chips and ice cream!

Find out more by talking to your child and looking on the [Year 6](#) and [Year 5/6](#) pages on Twitter.

Thank you to every member of staff who has made this memorable trip happen.



VISIT TO IRCHESTER COUNTRY PARK

This week, Year One children had a wonderful time visiting Irchester Country Park. The children completed a map skills activity where they learnt to use North, South, East and West. They used a map of the park to visit different locations within the park and learnt about some of its history.

The children investigated habitats and learnt out about creatures including the White Ermine Moth. They learnt that the caterpillars hatch from their cocoon and create a web within the trees. The children found lots of animal homes, including a wood louse family and a nest of ants.

It was lovely to see the children having fun.



ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to **Flamingo Class** with 98.7% attendance who are this week's attendance winners at the Infant School.

Unfortunately, no other class achieved over 96% attendance.

Congratulations to **Chaffinch** with 99% attendance who are this week's attendance winners at the Junior School.

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STRINGS PERFORMANCE

On Tuesday, children in Years 3 and 4 who have been playing a stringed instrument this year performed to their parents and classmates. They played a selection of tunes including 'Hot Cross Buns' and 'Twinkle Twinkle Little Star'. Mrs Needle was incredibly proud of them all, especially as some children have only been playing their instrument since Christmas. We look forward to seeing what they achieve next year!



STAFF NEWS

Our learning mentor, Mr Jackson, who is employed by Northampton Town Football Club Community Trust left today to start a new job in another school. We would like to thank Mr Jackson for all his hard work and wish him the best in his new position.

Mr Dunkley, from Northampton Town Football Club Community Trust, will be replacing Mr Jackson's learning mentor role until the end of the term. All before and after school clubs will continue. Mr Dunkley has been in school this week, with Mr Jackson, getting to know our school.

Mrs Tollady who has worked for the school for over 15 years is leaving the school at the end of the academic year to take up a new job outside of education. Mrs Tollady will be a huge loss to our school and we know that the children and staff will really miss her. We would like to take this opportunity to thank her for all of her hard work during her time at the school. She will be missed!



YEAR SIX LEAVERS' CELEBRATION

As part of the leavers' celebration, we would like to take the year six children bowling after school on **Thursday 21st July**.

Please give your consent, along with your child's food choices on the [MS Form](#) and pay on the Arbor parent portal. Please ensure that all consents and payments are made by Friday 15th July.



YEAR SIX PRODUCTION

Tickets are available for the Year Six production: 'The Greatest Show'.

There will be two performances at the star hall for friends and families of the children in year six:

- Tuesday 19th July at 6:00 p.m.
- Wednesday 20th July at 6:00 p.m.

We will be charging £3 per ticket or £10 for a family or group of four people. This cost will help towards the cost of the costumes and sets for the performance.

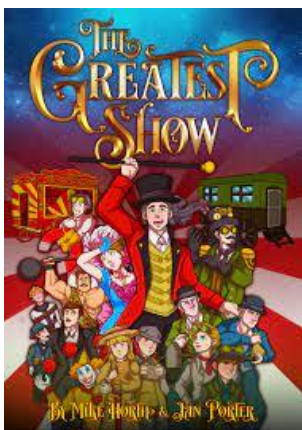
To book your ticket please complete the form following the link -

<https://forms.office.com/r/bTKzHgCXX7>.

Please pay by sending the money into the school office.

Key Stage One and Two children will be attending a performance during the day in the week beginning 18th July.

The children have worked hard on and are looking forward to performing for you.



FRUIT SNACKS AT THE JUNIOR SCHOOL

If you would like to purchase fruit through the Junior School for next academic year, please do so through the Arbor parent portal, **by Friday 15th July**.

Year 2 pupils should go through their Infant School account. Pupils in receipt of Pupil Premium may use their voucher to pay for the fruit - please get in touch with Miss Wright in the Junior School Office, if you would like to do this.



DO YOU NEED CHILDCARE DURING THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS?

Booking is open for the Summer holidays at Apple Tree Club.

You are able to book 8:00am - 5:00pm for £23.50 which includes breakfast or 8:50am - 5:00pm for £20.00.

Places need to be booked and paid for in advance using the Arbor parent portal.

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



FUNDRAISING

Children at both schools wore rainbow-coloured clothes in school today in support of Florence, a little girl who is bravely battling against Acute Myeloid Leukaemia (AML).

The Infant School took part in a variety of rainbow inspired activities including painting rainbows and writing poems. We wish Florence a very Happy 6th Birthday. Here is the link to her fundraising page to learn more about her story: gkcct.org/bemorefab





A MESSAGE FROM FOFS...

Thank you for your rainbow raffle donations, we had an amazing response. If you haven't seen our Facebook post, below are the pictures of everything we received. Our parent volunteers are now busy making up the hampers ready for next week's raffle draw at the summer fair.

Our first summer fair for 2 years is next Friday, we're very excited to see you all there.

We will be joined by Damon Fox from Northampton Town Football Club who will be our resident goalie for the day. Can you beat the keeper and be entered into our prize draw?

There will be a BBQ with both gluten free and vegan/vegetarian options. We'll also be making fresh milkshakes, again a dairy free / vegan option will be available.

On that note, we'd like to invite all-star bakers out there to show off their culinary skills by asking if you would mind donating some homemade cakes to our refreshments stand.

If we could ask for donations to be handed into either school office the day before or the morning of the fair, that would be fantastic!

Just a couple of important points, could you please provide a list of ingredients with your donations - this is to help us identify and advise on any potential allergens and strictly no nuts please.

Our Rainbow Raffle will be drawn at the end of the fair with prizes distributed on receipt of the winning ticket so don't forget to bring these with you!

Email: Finedon.fofs@iflt.org.uk

Facebook: @finedon.fofs



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
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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:

New dates added since the last newsletter are in red.

Date	What's on
Tuesday 12th July	Y2 Irchester Country Park visit
Friday 15 th July after school	FoFS Summer Fair – Choir and Dance clubs will be performing
Tuesday 19 th July	Y6 Production - first evening performance
Wednesday 20th July 4:15 – 5:45	Y2 Leavers Party
Wednesday 20 th July	Y6 Production - second evening performance
Thursday 21 st July 9:30	KS2 Church Service Parents invited

Thursday 21st July 3:15 - 6:16	Y6 Bowling
Friday 22 nd July	Term Six ends

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Families are encouraged to sign up to this year's Summer Reading Challenge at their local library or online.

Children can join the 'Gadgeteers' to discover the amazing science and innovation behind the world around them.

The libraries are teaming up with the Science Museum Group for a very special science-themed challenge that will inspire pupils to imagine and create.

Click [here](#) for more information.



NORTH NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Discover fun and games this summer!

This summer, make sure you've downloaded the **DiscoverNN** app to find fun and games for you and the family in North Northamptonshire.

Holding an event in North Northamptonshire? Get on board and add it to the DiscoverNN app where over 2000, so far, have downloaded the app.

discovernn.co.uk

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Please note that there will not be a newsletter next week due to the summer fair taking place on Friday 15th July.

The final newsletter of the year will be issued on the last day of term.



Friends of Finedon Schools



SUMMER FAIR



**15th July 2022
3.20pm – 5.00pm**



Come join us for our Summer Extravaganza!

**We have performances from the school choir and dance troupe
A bouncy castle and various fun & games stalls**

Can you beat our keeper?

Hungry? Check out our BBQ with vegan and gluten free options

**Our summer raffle will be drawn at the end of the fair
We can't wait to see you there!**

This is a cash only event so please bring your change

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