

Finedon Schools Weekly Newsletter

Friday 23rd September 2022



FLOWER FESTIVAL

Who could have imagined at the stage of planning, how fitting the theme of this year's Flower Festival at St. Mary the Virgin Church would be!

The theme was 'Celebrating the Life of Queen Elizabeth II' and following her sad death it became a tribute to her life, dedication and service. There were so many excellent exhibits created by individuals and groups in Finedon.

We were tasked with representing a 100th birthday card as citizens reaching 100 received a card from the Queen. Thanks must go to Apple Tree Club staff and pupils for lovingly creating our exhibit on behalf of the schools.



READING WITH PARENTS

Today we welcomed Year Three and Four parents into their child's classroom for an opportunity to share books with them. Thank you to everybody who attended - the children enjoyed the opportunity to show their learning environment to their parents. We look forward to welcoming Year One and Two and Year Five and Six parents next week.

SCIENCE LEARNING IN YEAR FIVE

This week, the children in Year Five took their learning outdoors during their Science lesson. They were identifying the effect of friction using different surfaces.



ATTENDANCE

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

Well done to Flamingo and Nightingale Class who also achieved over 96%.

Congratulations to **Chaffinch Class** with 99.5% attendance who are this week's attendance winners at the Junior School.

Well done to Kestrel, Kingfisher and Magpie Class who also achieved over 96%.

POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY AT THE JUNIOR SCHOOL

Congratulations to Hayden and Isla who are this year's Head Boy and Head Girl and to Clark and Alexia our Deputy Head Boy and Girl.

Staff nominate pupils who they feel are excellent role models and ambassadors for the school and a vote is taken on these nominations.

The following Year Six have also been allocated special roles of responsibility – Daniel, Maisie, Lexi-Rae, Indi, Ava, Hanna, Dempsey, Kacie, Lily, Zayne, Henryk, Rhiley, Noah, Olivia and Jenson.

Well done to you all!

SCHOOL COUNCILS

Congratulations to our School Councils who have been elected by their class members. We know you will all do a great job in representing your classes when discussing lots of important things at meetings, such as playground improvement ideas and organising fundraising for charities.

Our Infant School Council



Our Junior School Council



ECO SCHOOLS COUNCILS

Congratulations to our Eco School Councils who have been elected by their class members.

The Eco Councils will focus on helping to make the schools more environmentally friendly. They will discuss ways that we can make positive choices for the environment, such as recycling and remembering to turn off the lights and will work on promoting this in school.

They are children who are keen to make a difference to our planet and we are confident that they will be committed to this.

Our Infant Eco School Council



Our Junior Eco School Council



HARVEST FESTIVAL

We are holding our Harvest Festival at 9:30 a.m. on **Thursday 6th October** in Finedon's St Mary the Virgin Church. This year, we are collecting for the Daylight Centre in Wellingborough.

The Daylight Centre strive to help people in Wellingborough and the surrounding districts of North Northamptonshire in meeting a huge range of personal challenges, including homelessness. The Foodbank is designed to help individuals and families who are in crisis by providing those in proven need with basic food and other essential items for a short time until the crisis is resolved or until the appropriate agencies are in a position to assist.

We hope you will agree that this is a very worthwhile cause, helping people who need support in the local community.

To ensure that essential, non-perishable items are donated, the centre ask for donations, which are in-date from the following list only

- 750ml squash (in urgent need)
- Tins of custard (in urgent need)
- Tins of fruit (in urgent need)
- Long Life Milk (UHT or powered)
- Long Life cartons of fruit juice
- Pasta Sauces
- Anything tinned, for example tomatoes, beans, vegetables or soup
- Biscuits or Snack Bars
- Rice
- Tea or Coffee
- Chocolate

We would be grateful if you could send all donations to either school by Wednesday 5th October.

We look forward to welcoming families to our church celebration where all year groups from Reception to Year Six will participate in the service. St Michael's Playgroup will also attend.



TRY A SCHOOL LUNCH DAY!

On Thursday 6th October we are having a special taster day for our delicious Kingswood meals.

On a Thursday the main meal is a roast which, for many children is their favourite!! However, if they don't like a roast, they also have a vegetarian or vegan option available and of course if your child prefers a packed lunch, they can have either a roll or sandwich. Why not have a look at the menu?

Although the meal is free for all Infant children and all children entitled to a free school meal, you need to order it by midnight on **Wednesday 28th September**.

Every child that has a meal on Thursday 6th October through Kingswood Catering will be entered into a prize draw to win an amazing cookbook to help them create healthy meals and a £10 Tesco voucher for them to buy ingredients for their first delicious dish.

Click here to book your tasty lunch!! [Homepage | Kingswood Catering](#)



CLUBS AT THE JUNIOR SCHOOL

There are still places in the following clubs.

Club	Day
Y3/4 Hotshots	Monday lunchtime – please ask the school office for a form
Y5/6 Hotshots	Wednesday lunchtime – please ask the school office for a form
Girls Football Club	Thursday after school – book your place here
Y3/4 Boys Football Club	Friday after school – book your place here

PLANET LEAGUE RETURNS!

Please see the flyer at the end of the newsletter to sign up to Planet League for free. Follow the link to planetleague.co.uk and select Northampton Town as your chosen team to represent. You can then select the county which the school is in and then the school itself.

All goals scored by completing the activities will not only help the NTFC Community Trust in their quest to become Planet League champions but also reduce everyone's carbon footprint and increase sustainability.

Families can earn weekly prizes from Planet League for completing certain challenges which have previously been in the form of Amazon vouchers.

The Community Trust will also be giving out weekly prizes to the highest scoring family in Northamptonshire ranging from kit, tickets, player visits and also visits from Clarence the Dragon!

PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS

Today we held a curriculum information session for parents of children in Years Three and Four, which we hope you found useful.

In the coming fortnight there are sessions for other year groups – see below for links to book your place.

Date & Time	Session
Tuesday 27 th September 2:45 p.m.	Y5&6 Curriculum Information Sessions for Parents/Carers – book your place here
Wednesday 28 th September 1:45 p.m.	Y1/2 Supporting your Child in Reading Workshop – book your place here
Thursday 6 th October 2:15 p.m. & 5:00 p.m.	Supporting your Child's Phonics and Early Reading Workshop for YR Parents/Carers - book your place here

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS SEPTEMBER 2023

The online admissions process for places in Reception, Year 3 (the Juniors) and Year 7 (Secondary School) opened today, **Friday 9th September 2022**. Applications for secondary school need to be made by **Monday 31st October**

2022. Applications for Reception and the Juniors need to be made by **Sunday 15th January 2023.**



APPLY FOR A SCHOOL PLACE
Is your child's 4th birthday on or before 31 August 2023?

It's time to apply for a Reception place

APPLICATION DEADLINE:
midnight on Sunday 15 January 2023

www.northnorthants.gov.uk/admissions



Is your child currently in Year 6?

APPLY FOR YEAR 7 AT SECONDARY SCHOOL

APPLICATION DEADLINE:
midnight on Monday 31 October 2022

www.northnorthants.gov.uk/admissions

IS YOUR CHILD STARTING SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2023?

If you know of anybody with a child who is due to start school in September 2023, we are holding some open sessions on Tuesday 11th October at 9:15 a.m., Thursday 10th November at 9:15 a.m. and Thursday 22nd November at 5:00 p.m. Places can be booked [here](#).



FINEDON INFANT SCHOOL

PROSPECTIVE PARENT TOURS

Orchard Road, Finedon, Northants, NN9 5JG
(E) head@finedonmulso.northants-ecl.gov.uk
(T) 01933 680467

Is your child starting school in September 2023?

Choosing your child's school is one of the most important decisions you will make.

Finedon Infant School are hosting a series of tours for prospective parents and carers to look around our school throughout the Autumn term.

Tours will take place on:

- Tuesday 11th October at 9:15 a.m.
- Thursday 10th November at 9:15 a.m.
- Tuesday 22nd November at 5:00 p.m.

To book your school tour please complete a booking form or call our school office;

[Click here to book your place](#)

(T) 01933 680467

We look forward to meeting you.

We are proud to be part of the:



Learning for Life Education Trust
Stronger together

For more information please visit our website;
www.finedon.northants.sch.uk

FOFS UPDATE

We're pleased to announce that our first event of the new school year is going to be a 'Doughnut Friday' to be held at pick-up time in each school playground on **Friday 30th September.**

All items are priced at 50p, and we will have gluten free options as well as vegan cookies to cater for any dietary needs.



PRICE LIST

Iced / Ring doughnut	50p
Gluten Free doughnut	50p
Vegan cookies	50p



Can't wait to see you there!

JOB VACANCY



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.

You should be able to demonstrate commitment to our positive school ethos and dedication to giving all children great learning experiences.

Interviews will be held on receipt of successful application.

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



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
Tuesday 27 th September 2:45 p.m.	Y5&6 Curriculum Information Sessions for Parents/Carers
Wednesday 28 th September 1:45 p.m.	Y1/2 Supporting your Child in Reading Workshop
Friday 30 th September	Y5 swimming lessons begin
Thursday 6 th October 9:30 a.m.	Harvest Festival at St. Mary's
Thursday 6 th October 2:15 p.m. & 5:00 p.m.	Supporting your Child's Phonics and Early Reading Workshop for YR Parents/Carers
Tuesday 11 th October 9:15 a.m.	New intake 2023 open session – more information to follow.
Wednesday 12 th October	School Photograph Day
Tuesday 18 th October	Y5 NSPCC workshop
Wednesday 19 th October	Y6 NSPCC workshop
Friday 21 st October	Term one ends
Tuesday 1 st November	Pupils return to school for term two
Thursday 3 rd November 2:15 p.m. & 5:00 p.m.	Supporting your Child's Early Mathematics Skills Workshop for YR Parents/Carers – more information to follow.
Week beginning 8th November	Parent/Teacher/Pupil Learning Review Meetings – more information to follow.

Thursday 10 th November 9:15 a.m.	New intake 2023 open session – more information to follow.
Friday 18 th November	Children in Need
Tuesday 22 nd November 5:00 p.m.	New intake 2023 open session
Friday 9 th December	Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 16 th December	Term two ends
Thursday 5 th January	Pupils return to school for term three

GO GREEN FOR YOUR TEAM

THE PLANET LEAGUE CUP

The Planet League Cup kicks off on 10 October with over 70 professional football clubs and hundreds of schools taking part. Sign up, take action and help your team and school win the trophy!

HOW TO PLAY



Sign up and play for your club and school



Take green actions to score goals for your club & school



Every goal helps you climb the league table



Win amazing prizes for the impact you have

OVER 50 WAYS TO SCORE



CLEAN PITCH



LEG POWER



BUG STADIUM

KICK-OFF: 10/10/22, FOR 5 WEEKS



**SIGN UP FREE TODAY
AT PLANETLEAGUE.CO.UK**



NMPAT Community Sings

Workshop day, with Adam Hollingshurst, culminating in a performance of music from film and television

Date: Sunday 25th September

Time: 10.00am - 4.00pm

Performance at 5.00pm

Venue: NMPAT, NN1 4AZ

Cost: £20 in advance

£25 on the day*

Register now:

<https://bit.ly/CommunitySings>



Everyone welcome - there is no need to read music

"If you cannot teach me to fly, teach me to sing"
- J. M. Barrie

*Discounts are available - please see the link below for more information

Find out more and register online:
www.nmpat.co.uk/communitychoir

PLAY LEARN LOVE

Development Centre

FOR AGES: 4-6 YEARS
SATURDAYS: 9-10AM

FOOTBALL COACHING

"NEVAEH HAS BEEN ATTENDING FROM THE START AND SHE ABSOLUTELY LOVES COMING. THE COACHES ARE SUPPORTIVE AND HAVE HAD A MASSIVE IMPACT ON HER LEARNING. SHE'S GOT THE FOOTBALL BUG!" - NEVAEH'S DAD

CHILDREN WILL HAVE FUN AND ENJOY THEIR FIRST START IN FOOTBALL...

PLAY LEARN LOVE

IMAGINATIVE FUN FOOTBALL GAMES

FUNDAMENTAL FOOTBALL AND LIFE SKILLS INCLUDING THE ABC'S

SOCIALISE AND BUILD CONFIDENCE TO DEVELOP A LOVE FOR FOOTBALL AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

HELD AT
FINEDON RECREATIONAL GROUND
WELLINGBOROUGH ROAD, FINEDON, NN9 5JS

TERM DATES
10TH SEPTEMBER - 22ND OCTOBER 2022

#PLAYLEARNLOVE

TO BOOK VISIT
www.pro-goals.co.uk

FIRST SESSION FREE
FOR NEW PLAYERS

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT
information@pro-goals.co.uk

Pro Goals Football Coaching

Finedon Youth Choir

Rehearsals at The Mission Room,
Well Street, Finedon NN9 5JP

Term-time Wednesdays 3:30pm to 4:15pm
Open to ages 6 - 11



Sign up to join the
brand new
Finedon Youth Choir!



Fun singing and
musical games!



Plus an excellent
musical education
from professionals



Register your interest ASAP by emailing:
musicatfinedon@gmail.com
to receive further details and exciting news!