

# Finedon Schools Weekly Newsletter

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2023



## MESSAGE FROM MRS LLOYD-WILLIAMS

Welcome back to term four! I hope you all had a lovely half term – it was certainly great to see some spring weather!

The children have all come back to school rested and have settled brilliantly into the term's learning. We look forward to meeting with parents and carers next week to give an update on pupil progress and share their next steps in learning with ideas for how you can support them further at home.

I was honoured to be invited to attend the service of Licensing of the Reverend Stephen Mills on Sunday and to offer words of welcome on behalf of the school.

I am delighted that Finedon now have a vicar in post and really look forward to welcoming him into school to meet the staff and children.



## ART AND DESIGN

This week in KS1, we started our new unit in art and design which explores painting and mixing media.

We began by recapping our knowledge of the primary colours and then explored what happens when they are mixed together. We used watered down paints to drip onto paper, then tipped it to mix up the colours.

## ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to **Nightingale Class** with 97.5% attendance who are this week's attendance winners at the Infant School.

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

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

Well done to Woodpecker Class who also achieved over 96%.

The final chance to visit the Book Fair is on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February from 3:05 – 3:45 p.m.

## CHOCOLATE BINGO

Thank you to everybody who attended the Chocolate Bingo evening organised by FoFS. It raised a very impressive total of £476.00 which will support the enhancement of learning for pupils.

FoFS have agreed to subsidise the cost of the educational visits that will take place over the course of the remainder of the academic year for each year group.

Thanks to our team of FoFS volunteers who invest so much of their time to make the events a great success.

## STAFF NEWS

Today, we have said goodbye to Miss Best, a midday supervisor at the Junior School. We thank her for her hard work and wish her well.

We have successfully recruited a new midday supervisor this week and hope that she will be able to begin her role very soon.



## WORLD BOOK DAY

A reminder that parents are invited to come into school to read with their child on World Book Day **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**, from the beginning of the school day until 9:30 am. If you have children at both schools, please choose which school to read at, making sure that you let the class teacher know your plans. If you have children in the same school, you can either split your time between two classes or choose one class to read in. Again, please let class teachers know your intention.

## JUNIOR SCHOOL VALUE

Do take a look at this home school value [sheet](#) on our school website with ideas for you to explore the value of trust at home with your child.



## BOOK FAIR

Over the half term break, Infant School children were invited to complete a name the book/character competition.

We were delighted to receive so many entries. The names of all entrants were placed into a random name generator, with a child from each class winning a £5 voucher to spend at our Scholastic Book Fair. Congratulations to Scarlett, Olivia, Jacob, Isobel and Elise who were the winners.

## YEAR THREE MUSIC SESSIONS

Year Three are over halfway through their First Access project! If your child would like to continue their learning with NMPAT next term, don't forget to register by 3rd March – full details can be found in the letter emailed out this week!

There will be an end-of-project performance to parents/carers on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March. Further details to follow.



## HAVE WE GOT YOUR UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION?

Please ensure that you log into the Arbor parent portal and check and amend any contact details. It is important that information is kept up to date so that we can contact you in an emergency.



## NAMING UNIFORM

In each classroom we have lots of school sweatshirts that we are unable to return to their owner because they do not have a name in. Please ensure that your child's name is on all school sweatshirts and cardigans. If the item originally belonged to somebody else, please cross out the previous owner's name to save any confusion.



## 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@ift.org.uk">caroline.jewell@ift.org.uk</a>
Miss Lucy Sadler	<a href="mailto:lucy.sadler@ift.org.uk">lucy.sadler@ift.org.uk</a>
Mrs Sarah Rae	<a href="mailto:sarah.rae@ift.org.uk">sarah.rae@ift.org.uk</a>
Mrs Caralyn Cox (for Apple Tree Club)	<a href="mailto:caralyn.cox@ift.org.uk">caralyn.cox@ift.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
w/c 27 <sup>th</sup> February	Learning Review Meetings
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February – Monday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Book Fair at the Infant School
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	World Book Day
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> March – 3.15pm – 4.00pm	Science Fair at the Junior School
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	Wonderful Women present room at the Junior School
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Wonderful Women present room at the Infant School
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March – 3.05pm – 4.00pm	Science Fair at the Infant School
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> March 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.	Left to their own devices online training for parents – book <a href="#">here</a>
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	School Photo Day – Class Photos

## 2<sup>ND</sup> FINEDON ST. MARY'S BROWNIES

2<sup>nd</sup> Finedon St. Mary's Brownies have recently restarted their pack, following Covid. They meet on a Monday evening at the Junior School. If you are interested in your daughter joining, please register using the information in the poster below.



**For girls aged 7 to 10**

**Brownies**

**Brownies offers girls** exciting opportunities to take on new challenges, make brilliant friends and discover the world around them.

*'I had never climbed before. I was scared of heights. But I climbed and rang the bell all by myself and felt really proud of myself.'*

**Poonam, aged 10**

Find out more about Brownies at [girlguiding.org.uk/brownies](https://girlguiding.org.uk/brownies). Register your daughter at [girlguiding.org.uk/joinus](https://girlguiding.org.uk/joinus) or call **0800 169 5901**.

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# Guides **EASTER**

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GUIDES EDUCATIONAL SWISS TRIP

# **EGG HUNT**

Sunday 9th April

12 noon Till 4pm (last hunt 3pm)

Finedon Dolben Cricket Club

All welcome. Win Chocolate Eggs

**£2.50 PER CHILD**

Tea, coffee cake Easter Egg Raffle



**TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE  
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