

# Finedon Schools Weekly Newsletter

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023



## WORLD BOOK DAY

To celebrate World Book Day, Infant children wore their pyjamas to school to signify the importance of engaging in a bedtime story. They brought their favourite bedtime story to school and everybody enjoyed exploring them!



Thank you to all of the parents and carers who came to school to read with their child - we hope you enjoyed spending time in your child's classroom. It was lovely to see so many attending.



Throughout World Book Day, children undertook a range of activities focused on promoting a love of reading. Examples included testing book knowledge in a quiz, taking part in BBC live lessons and engaging in podcasts which involved authors inspiring the children to write.

We were delighted that Andy Shepherd, author of 'The Boy who Grew Dragons' responded to our Tweet! She also wrote a personalised letter to Year 3 and sent a congratulatory video on their engagement in the project!



## Stories in a Jar Competition

Well done to everybody who entered the 'story in a jar' competition. There were some excellent, creative entries, making it tricky to choose the winners!

Well done to Mercedes in reception, Jordan in Year One and Charlotte in Year Two who each won a book!



## 10 Minute Story Sharing

Did you know that reading together and sharing stories for ten minutes a day contributes to a child's future success? By clicking on the link below, you can explore a 'pick and mix' of thirteen different book readings to help you find new ways to love reading and new stories to share.

<https://www.worldbookday.com/10-minute-story-shares/>





## ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to **Peacock Class** with 99.6% attendance who are this week's attendance winners at the Infant School.

Well done to Flamingo, Puffin and Toucan Classes who also achieved over 96%.

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

Well done to Chaffinch, Kingfisher and Woodpecker Class who also achieved over 96%.

## YEAR FIVE DANCE WORKSHOPS

Today, Year 5 children enjoyed participating in a dance workshop led by Huxlow Academy students. We would like to say a huge thank you to the GCSE dance students who spent time choreographing a range of routines for the children to learn. They were really encouraging towards our pupils and it was great to work in collaboration with the school!



We had some lovely comments from the children following the workshop!

I enjoyed it because it inspired me to create my own dance.

I'd like to listen to the song when I go home.

The students were very engaging and helpful.

I liked being able to create our own part of the dance and expressing ourselves.

I liked it when they performed their routine – including the lifts.

They showed that you really have to trust your partner and your team to support you.

## YEAR SIX GEOGRAPHY FIELDWORK

As part of their geography unit, this week, Year 6 completed fieldwork to answer the enquiry question 'How is population impacting the environment?'. They conducted a traffic survey in two contrasting parts of the village – one in an area of high traffic and one in a less populated location. To further investigate the key question, they completed a questionnaire assessing litter and pollution in the different areas. Year 6 were lucky enough to encounter members of the public who gave their opinions on the local environment.





## CLUBS AT THE INFANT SCHOOL

There are a range of new clubs underway at the Infant School, including Art Club, Eco Club and Wellbeing Club. We are grateful to the school staff who are running these.

Children enjoying their first Art Club session this week.



## PARENT SURVEYS

Thank you to everybody who completed our parent surveys at the parent/teacher consultation appointments. We really value your feedback.

If you did not get the opportunity to complete a survey, they are remaining open until Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March - please scan the relevant school's QR code to complete the survey.



Parent Survey 2023 - FMJS



## YEAR THREE MUSIC SESSIONS

Today was the deadline for registering interest in the strings follow-on project. However, if your child is still interested in continuing, please return your form or contact the school office **on Monday**.

A reminder that there will be an end-of-project performance to parents/carers on the morning of Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March. Times to follow.



## 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>
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 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
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	End of Project Strings Performance for Year Three





# EASTER

FUNDRAISER FOR 1ST FINEDON  
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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