

Finedon Schools Weekly Newsletter

Friday 17th March 2023

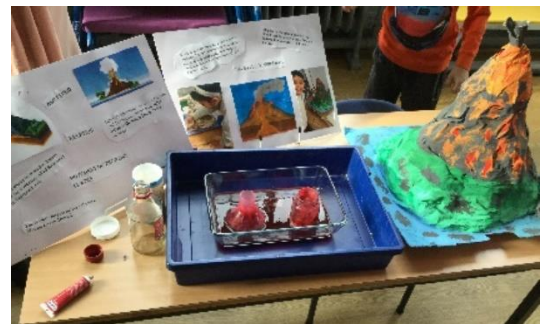


SCIENCE FAIRS

Congratulations to all the children that took part in our Science Fairs this week. The Junior School Fair was on Tuesday and the Infant School's was today. We were extremely impressed with the projects from all the children that exhibited. They confidently articulated their learning to visitors, including our Ofsted Inspector at the Juniors!

Exhibits included blowing up balloons by mixing vinegar with baking soda to produce a chemical reaction, creating lava lamps, creating an erupting volcano, a model of the water cycle and learning about the science behind the fabric used in football shirts!

A huge thank you to all the children who participated and their families who supported them to work on the projects and to everybody who visited the fairs.



ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to **Flamingo Class** with 97.3% attendance who are this week's attendance winners at the Infant School.

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

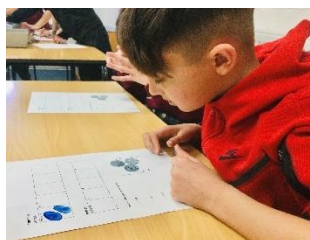
Congratulations to **Magpie Class** with 99.2% attendance who are this week's attendance winners at the Junior School.

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

BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK

There have been a range of science learning activities taking place across the school this week to celebrate British Science Week.

These included testing different materials to see whether they were conductors or insulators, being fingerprint detectives, inflating balloons, making raisins 'dance' and learning about the water cycle.



LEARNING IN RECEPTION

On Monday afternoon, Reception had a visit from the police as part of their learning about people who help us. The children asked lots of questions about their role and how they keep us safe in the community. We even had the opportunity to see a police car!

Our thanks go to Sergeant Godfrey and PC Handy.



CHOIR PERFORMANCE

On Wednesday afternoon, the Choir sang at the Over 60's Club. They sang a range of songs beautifully, including ones from the musicals 'The Wizard of Oz' and 'Matilda'. It was wonderful to see how much the older generation of our community enjoyed being entertained by the youngest members of it – there were even tears from some of the club members.

The choir were very excited to receive Easter eggs from the club in appreciation of their performance.

and a donation was also given to the school, which we really appreciated.

Our thanks to Mrs Needle and Mrs Hakes who work really hard with the choir to produce such polished performances.



KINGSWOOD CATERING

The menu for next term is now live on Kingswood's [website](#). Don't forget to order your child's meals for the first week of term five, by **midnight on Wednesday 12th April**.



CLASS PHOTOS

The school photographer will be in school on **Wednesday 22nd March** to take this year's class photos.



YEAR THREE MUSIC SESSIONS

A reminder that there will be an end-of-project performance which all parents/carers of children in Year 3 are invited to attend. It is at **9:15 a.m. on Thursday 23rd March**.



EASTER CHURCH SERVICE

Our Easter Church Service will be held at 9:30 on Thursday 30th March. Junior school children will lead the service and the infants will be joining in with the singing. The choir will also perform. We are especially looking forward to it, as it will be the first service that Father Stephen will close with prayers.

All family members are invited to attend.



MOBILE PHONES

Thank you to those parents who completed the [MS Form](#) regarding bringing mobile phones to school. Please note that this form must be completed for any Year 5 or 6 child who brings a phone to school.

PARKING AT THE INFANT SCHOOL

We have received phone calls from upset residents who have had their driveways blocked this week.

Please park considerately in Orchard Road and High Street when dropping off or collecting your child from the Infant School or Apple Tree Club.

Please also do not block the Infant School gates at any point during the school day as staff work across both sites and often attend meetings in our other Trust Schools in Irthlingborough. The site needs to be accessed throughout the school day.



RED NOSE DAY

Children came to school today wearing red to raise money for Comic Relief.

School Councillors at the Infant School organised a range of fun activities at lunchtime. Lots of children designed their own red nose and happily created them whilst listening to music.



School Council members at the Junior School played 'pin the red nose on the clown' with their classes and a 'tell a joke' competition was held at lunchtime.

Examples of some of the jokes below:

How do you get an astronaut's baby to stop crying?

You rocket!

What's a cat's favourite colour?

Purr-ple

Why couldn't the pony sing Happy Birthday?

Because she was a little hoarse

The Infant School raised £83.00 and the Junior School raised £121.00.



SCHOOL FRUIT AT THE JUNIORS

If you would like to purchase your child's fruit snack through school, the charge is £3.50 for term five. Please pay using the Arbor Parent Portal by **Friday 24th March**.



If you would like to use your Pupil Premium voucher to pay for it, please contact the School Office.

DO YOU NEED CHILDCARE AT EASTER?

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

Please note, Apple Tree Club will be closed on Friday 7th and Monday 10th of April.

You are able to book 8:00am - 5:00pm for £23.50 which includes breakfast or 8:50am - 5:45pm 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.



LEFT TO THEIR OWN DEVICES

We have seven places remaining on our 'Left to their Own Devices' online course taking place on **Tuesday 21st March from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.**

To book your place, please complete the [MS Form](#). We are really keen to fill all the places!

The course will look at supporting parents to help their children to navigate the online world in a safe way and it will be run by the charity Hope for Families. All participants will receive a booklet to accompany the training.

SEN

During Miss Pettitt's maternity leave, our SENDCo is Mrs Turner. She can be contacted via email on laura.turner@iflt.org.uk and is generally at the Infant School on a Wednesday morning and the Junior School on a Thursday.

WONDERFUL WOMEN

Thank you to FoFS who organised the 'Wonderful Women' present room fundraiser. The children really enjoyed selecting a gift from a range of beautifully presented items in 'the shop'. We hope you enjoy receiving the gift.

A huge thank you to everybody who bought gifts - we will let you know how much was raised in the newsletter next week.



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
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)

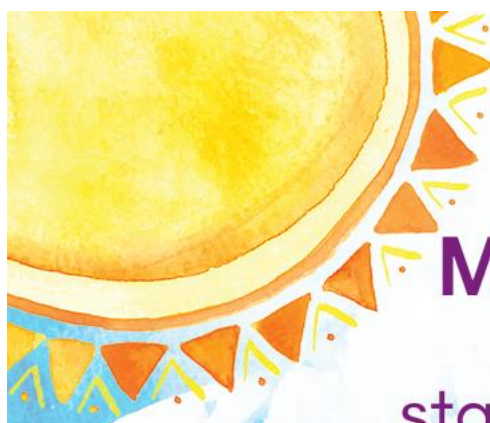
If you are worried about a child outside of school time you can call the local Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub for advice (anonymously if needs be) on 0300 126 7000 or 0300 126 1000.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please see **below** key dates for you to be aware of. **any new dates added are in red.**

Date	What's on
Tuesday 21 st March 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.	Left to their own devices online training for parents – book here
Wednesday 22 nd March	School Photo Day – Class Photos
Thursday 23 rd March 9:15 a.m.	End of Project Strings Performance for Year Three
Friday 24 th March	Deadline for ordering school fruit for the Junior School
Wednesday 12 th April Midnight	Deadline for ordering your child's school meals for the first week of term 6.
Thursday 30 th March 9:30 a.m.	Easter Church Service
Friday 31 st March	Term four ends
Monday 17 th April	Term five begins
Monday 17 th April	Swimming lessons for Year Four begin
2 nd – 5 th May	Bikeability for Year Five
5 th – 8 th June	Bikeability for Year Six



NEW zumbini.[®] **Music & Movement class**

starts 9.30am Monday 17th April
Mission Cottage, 46 Well Street
Finedon NN9 5JP

**Special Offer: £2 off
1st term "FIS423"**

4 week block: 17th & 24th April,
15th & 22nd May 2023

zumbinisophie@gmail.com



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SATURDAY 1st APRIL 2023

10am-4pm

SUNDAY 2nd APRIL 2023

10am-4pm

Finedon Community Centre

71 Wellingborough Road, Finedon NN9 5LG

Entry £4 per person per day

Or £14 for family of 4 & £2 for additional child

All children must be accompanied by an adult

+ Lego Displays + Lego Building & Competitions +
+ Refreshments + Raffle +



Come along and build one of the 1400+ kits we have available, or design your own model in the free build section. Please DO NOT bring any Lego with you.




We provide the Bricks you provide the imagination

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Reg. Charity no. 291383

Finedon
Community Centre

Organised by the 2nd
Desborough (URC) Scout Group



First Football

Saturdays
Huxlow Academy
(Irthlingborough NN9 5TY)
2-4 Year Olds - 9.00-9.50am
4-6 Year Olds - 10.00-11.00am
in association with Finedon Volta Juniors FC

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Guides

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
SEE FDCC FACEBOOK



Huxlow Academy
presents

FAME JR.

28th, 29th and 30th March

6:30pm

Adults - £5.50

Concessions - £5.00

Raffle and Refreshments

Tickets available to purchase on WisePay
or email
financeclerk@huxlow.northants.sch.uk

Huxlow Academy
Thriving Through Excellence

Credits Conceived and Developed by David De Silva Book by José Fernandez
Lyrics by Jacques Levy Music by Steve Margoshes