



Newsletter 22nd March 2024

Hi all,

I was very proud of a group of our Y5/6 children this week, who made the decision to tell a trusted adult in school when they had seen and heard some inappropriate material on their social media sites used outside of school. It is good to know that the work we do in school around internet safety is having a positive impact on the lives of the majority of our children. Parents play a key role in this, and it's important that as we allow our children to have more access to technology, particularly with phones and social media sites, we help them to understand the responsibility they have to keep themselves and others safe. Mrs Andrews does a lot of work on this in her Computing lessons and also regularly posts information for parents on our X (formerly Twitter) site @BurghclerePri. The NSPCC also offers lots of advice for parents <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/> Please do take the time to read the information, and to talk with your children about this important subject.

We had two exciting workshops in school this week! Both were very well received by the children, and staff, and inspired some fantastic work. We shared some of the Shakespeare work in our celebration assembly. This included dioramas made by Oak, a drama performance by Y1's in Acorn, and a magical spell by Robin class, all inspired by their A Midsummer Night's Dream workshop. Falcon class created spells based on the opening scene of Macbeth. They have presented these on A3 posters beautifully and recorded these around the cauldron on the campfire- we watched Lettie perform hers brilliantly! Mrs Field will be sharing these using an exciting new app called Book Creator that Falcon class have been using as part of their current JDO project.

Next week we have our Share and Celebrate session on Monday after school- a chance for parents/carers to see all the great work the children have been doing! We hope many of you will be able to join us for our Easter Service at the church on Wednesday.

Have a lovely weekend.

Beulah

Mrs Beulah Letchford, Headteacher

Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to the following children who received a **Golden Rules** certificate this week; Justin, Zach, Enid, Frankie, Daisy, Molly.

Congratulations to the following children who received a **School Values** certificate this week; Barney, Marley, Albie, Izzy O, all of the Y1 Super 6! Harry H, Carter.

Sports News

Indoor Athletics Success!

Our Y5/6 athletes qualified earlier in the year for the Basingstoke and Deane schools indoor athletics finals. On Tuesday they travelled to Basingstoke to compete against 8 other schools. Despite only having 11/12 athletes, they gave it their all in their individual sprints, throwing and jumping events, and the team relays. They scored a fantastic amount of points and came fifth overall. However they were the best small school in the finals and therefore won the small schools trophy! This is now proudly standing on the trophy stand by reception. A fantastic achievement! Well done Ben, Caleb, Harry H, Harry T, Pip, Toby, Eleanor, Teegan, Daisy, Alexa, Lara (who stepped in at the last minute!) and Amelia and Mimi who were part of the first team that qualified but couldn't make the finals. We are proud of you all!



KAPLA Workshop

FOBS kindly organised a KAPLA workshop with kaplaclubs.co.uk Kapla is construction with wooden bricks on a huge scale. The hall was completely taken over, and each of the classes had the opportunity to create part of the final piece throughout the day. The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience:

Dougie- *I liked how the Falcons balanced their bricks on the bridge the Robins made.*

Florence- *I liked making the chicken and showing Mummy.*

Eleanor D- *It was very clever and I would not have known how to do that myself!*

Seb- *Best thing ever!*

Thank you so much FOBS for this wonderful creative experience that enthused every child!





Breakfast Club

The children are really enjoying coming in early to eat their breakfast, chat around the table and have a wake and shake before the start of their school day. We only have a few spaces left each day, so please speak to Miss Pummell if you would like to book a place for your child. We are open at 8am every day.



Pallets

We have some pallets needing a new home! There are 8 normal sized and 2 large ones. Please contact Miss Pummell if you could take some off our hands.

Gardening Club

Do we have anyone interested in running our gardening club this year? If so, please talk to Miss Pummell or Mrs Letchford about how you can get involved! We are also looking for some new gardening tools (rake, spade, trowels, gloves etc) and compost and vegetable seeds. If you are willing to donate some of the above, we would love to hear from you!

Outside Area

Our chickens need a new home! Their coup needs some TLC to make is safe and habitable so our chickens can return. If anyone can help we'd love to hear from you.

We are also looking for a garden table for children to use- if you are replacing your garden furniture this year and have a wooden table you no longer need, we'd happily make use of it!

Dates for the Diary

Each newsletter we will publish the dates of events happening during the term. Please be aware these may change and therefore it is important to check them each week. We will highlight changes in red when they first appear. Not every event is relevant to every parent. Look out for further information or letters with more detailed information for the events relevant to you.

Monday 25 th March	Easter Raffle tickets @ drop off this week (FOBS) Y6 Bikeability Art Competition entries in: 'Animals' Share & Celebrate after school 4.00pm KS1 Football Festival - selected children
Tuesday 26 th March	Y6 Bikeability 3.30pm Y5/6 Rugby - selected children
Wednesday 27 th March	10.30am Easter Service @ Burghclere Church - families welcome
Thursday 28 th March	End of Spring Term Band Cake Sale
Monday 15 th April	INSET Day
Tuesday 16 th April	First Day of Summer Term

Monday 22 nd April	Art Competition entries in: 'Spring Time'
Tuesday 7 th May	Y3/4 Kwik Cricket - selected children
Thursday 9 th May	9.00am Parent Liaison Group meeting Tri-Golf @ St. Barts - selected children
Monday 13 th May	Year 6 SATS - all week
Tuesday 14 th May	Girls Kwik Cricket - selected children
Monday 20 th May	Art competition entries in: 'Nature' 7.00pm Newbury Spring Festival @ the Corn Exchange - Band
Friday 24 th May	End of Term
Monday 3 rd June	First Day of Term
Thursday 20 th June	Parent Liaison Group meeting
Monday 24 th June	Art Competition entries in: 'Water'
Tuesday 25 th June	Y5/6 Kwik Cricket - selected children Travelling Book Fair - under barn each day until Monday after school
Tuesday 2 nd July	Girls Dodgeball - selected children
Thursday 3 rd July	Y5/6 Dodgeball - selected children
Tuesday 23 rd July	2.00pm Y6 Leavers assembly End of Term