



Newsletter

16th May 2025

Message from the Headteacher

Dear all,

A HUGE well done to all our Y6 children who sat their SATs this week. These are national assessments in reading, grammar, punctuation and spelling, and maths. The children were relaxed and focussed thanks to the hard work of Mrs Field and the team, and thoroughly deserved their film and donuts afternoon today!

This week in assemblies we have been thinking about our Golden Rule 'Be Safe'. We talked about how we can be safe in school, and our Junior Road Safety Officers gave a presentation on the importance of wearing seat belts when travelling in cars and buses. They have organised a poster competition for the children to produce an A4 poster giving this road safety message- we look forward to seeing the final entries!

Our School Council have also been busy. Not only have been deciding on how the new Chill-out area should look, but they have also been organising a fund raiser for our partner school in Uganda, Kowoko. Dodie told us they would love a maths geometry set for one of the classes. These cost £70 and so school council are holding a football penalty shoot-out fundraiser on Friday at lunchtime! Children can attempt to get 10 balls past the goalkeeper for a pound a go! They can enter as many times as they like and there will be prizes for the winners!

Next week is Science week! Today, Mr Joseph spoke to the children about his career as an engineer- and they were fascinated to learn about his work developing submarines! A huge thank you Mr Joseph for the amazing presentation you put together- it really inspired the children! Dr Thompson will be talking to the children on Tuesday. If you know anyone who uses science in their job please encourage them to come and talk to us at 2:45 on Monday, Wednesday or Thursday! We will be holding science exhibition on Friday and all are welcome to attend- we will send out further details next week.

Finally congratulations to Grace whose My Wild Life photo competition entry has made it into the top ten! She now needs the most likes to win- you can cast your votes on the following page: <https://www.facebook.com/thebasegreenham>

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Mrs Beulah Letchford

Headteacher

Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to the following children who received a **School Values** certificate in celebration assembly today; Eve L, Josh, Zach.

Congratulations to the following children who received a **Golden Rules** certificate in celebration assembly today; Jade, Jackson, Nina.

Key Notices

Acorn Cake Sale

Acorn cake sale raised a fabulous £133.50! Miss Rist is looking forwards to buying some new blocks and other resources for the children to use in their learning.

Term Dates Next Year

Term dates for next year have been published on the [website](#)
Please plan any holidays you may take for the school holiday periods so that your child doesn't miss important time at school.

FOBS Cheque Presentation

Tesco presented the school with a cheque for £5000 to be spent on our new relaxing chill-out area for the children, which has been designed by the school council. Thanks to all the FOBS committee who worked hard on putting the bid together!



Thank you!

A big thank you to Eve's parents who transported a huge amount of bark to the school and spread it on the Acorn outside area and by the Friendship bench- it looks great!

Chill-out Zone

This area is for children to sit, read, talk, regulate, play board games etc in a relaxing and calm space. Before and after school, please ensure children are using it in the same way. Thank you for your support.

School Uniform

In the hot weather, children discard their jumpers and cardigans all over the playground! We can only return those that are named. The rest are left out for collection but if unclaimed will be donated to FOBS. Some children have been wearing items which are not school uniform, particularly for PE. Please ensure your child has the correct school uniform to wear. FOBS have lots of second hand pieces at only £1:00 per item!

Big Emotions Parent Workshop

Miss Burton has organised a workshop for parents led by the Primary Behaviour Service. It's open to all parents and will be talking about how we can support our children when they have 'big emotions. It's on Wednesday from 5:30pm-7:00pm.

Dates for the Diary

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| Monday 19 th May- Friday 23 rd May | Science Curriculum Week Science Exhibition for parents on Friday from 3:00pm |
| Tuesday 20 th May | Y5/6 Girls Cricket Festival - selected children only |
| Thursday 22 nd May | Y5/6 Rugby in Kingsclere - 3.30pm - selected children only |
| Thursday 22 nd May | KS2 AWE Workshops |
| Wednesday 21 st May | PBS Parent Workshop - 5.30pm-7.00pm see email for details |
| Friday 23 rd May | Penalty shootout (during school) fundraiser for Uganda |
| Monday 26 th May - Friday 30 th May | Half Term |
| Friday 6 th June | Class Photos - full school uniform please |
| Saturday 7 th June | KS2 Quad Kids event- selected children only |
| Tuesday 24 th June - Monday 30 th June | Book Fair after school |
| Friday 20 th June | FOBS non uniform day - bring a prize for the fete: bottle tombola/teddy tombola/lucky dip |
| Monday 23 rd June | Y5/6 Quad Kids - selected children only |
| Tuesday 24 th June | KS1 Quad Kids - selected children only |
| Wednesday 25 th June | Robin Class trip to Ramsbury Estate |
| Friday 27 th June | Sports Day |

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| Saturday 28 th June | Newbury Netball Tournament- selected children only |
| Friday 4 th July | RESERVE Sports Day |
| Saturday 5 th July | FOBS Summer Fair |
| Thursday 17 th July | Falcon Class play to parents - approx. 1.30pm & 6.00pm (tbc) |
| Monday 21 st July | Year 6 Leavers' Party after school |
| Tuesday 22 nd July | Last day of term |