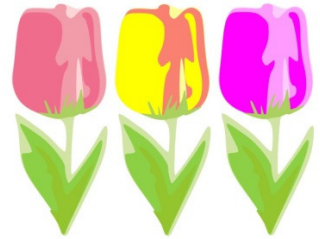




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Thursday 2nd March

School Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you for your support towards World Book Day. The children had a wonderful day dressing up as book characters and enjoying a range of activities to celebrate books throughout the day. During assembly teachers shared about their favourite childhood books.

START OF THE SCHOOL DAY

We have begun to notice a number of children who are arriving at school extremely early unsupervised in the playground. Although we do promote independent travelling for our older pupils and it is better for them to be on our playground rather than on the busy road outside, could I remind you that there is no member of staff on duty until 9.00am. We know how much some pupils enjoy being here, but could you make sure they are not arriving before 8.50am and remind them that there are no ball sports at this time of the day.

RED NOSE DAY

Just a reminder that we will be supporting Red Nose Day and raising money for all the great causes. There will be a non-uniform wear red day and we do have some red noses on sale at the school office.

NEW VISION AND VALUES

During the spring term we have re-evaluated the school's vision and the values that will drive this. The staff and the pupils have been thinking about the most important values that will support their learning and about managing their feelings and behaviour with each other. As part of this process we would like to hear what your views are on what you consider to be the most important school values. Please could you take a moment to tell us by completing the short survey below:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/C2GQ356>

PARENT DROP IN

Don't forget the parent drop in session on Tuesday 14 March from 1.30-3.25pm. Tina Sutton will be here to help with advice about any problems or queries you may have.

TOUCANS

Toucans are excited to have launched our Secret Garden topic. We are also learning about different artists as part of our Colour Chaos topic including Piet Mondrian and Wassily Kandinsky. In PE we are currently exploring Space using gymnastics. Soon the children will be learning about Children Through History. If you are walking through the school please look out for our Transport display from last half term.

ROBINS

This week we are celebrating World Book Day by exploring a different book each day. We are looking forward to seeing all of our parents at the showcase tomorrow (2.45pm) where we will be serving pancakes! This term we are continuing our Italy topic. We are currently exploring landmarks in the hope of moving onto the art of Italy very soon. Michelangelo and Leonardo da Vinci here we come!

PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Don't forget to sign up for parent's evening. The boards are in the playground or school foyer. If you are unable to get into school to book an appointment then please call the office. Monday 6th March will be the last day to sign up.

DEAL ADVISORY GROUP

Would you like to be involved in an advisory group that meets 4 times a year about the emotional health and wellbeing of children in primary schools? The focus of the study is on finding out about the best ways that schools can spot early signs of children's emotional health difficulties. If you are interested there is a poster giving more details displayed on the window noticeboard.

Term Dates 2016 - 2017

SPRING TERM 2017

End of Term
Friday 31st March

SUMMER TERM 2017

Summer Term Begins
Tuesday 18th April

May Day – 1st May

Half term
29th May – 2nd June

INSET DAY 5 – School Closed
Monday 5th June

End of Term
Friday 21st July

SCHOOL TIMINGS

Just to remind everyone that school starts at 9.05am and finishes at 3.25pm. If you are going to be late please contact the office.



MEAL COSTS

Years 3 - 6

£2.25 per day

£11.25 per week

£67.75 per half term

Please pay via Agora – any questions, do speak to the office.

Spring and Summer Term 2016/2017 Diary Dates



Monday 6 th March	Robins visit to Barnwell Church
Thursday 9 th March	Parent Consultations 5-7.30pm
Tuesday 14 th March	Parent Drop-In
Tuesday 14 th March	Parent Consultations 3.45-6pm
Friday 17 th March	Class Assembly - Eagles
Friday 17 th March	Spring Pub Quiz 7.30pm
Friday 24 th March	Comic Relief
Tuesday 28 th March	Toucans to Stibbington
Wednesday 29 th March	PTFA Meeting 7pm
Friday 31 st March	Mad March Hair Day
Monday 3 rd April – Monday 17 th April	Easter Holiday
Tuesday 18 th April	Term Starts
Thursday 4 th May	Class Photos
Friday 19 th May	Class Assembly – Nightingales
Friday 26 th May	Class Assembly – Peacocks
Monday 29 th May– Friday 2 nd June	Half Term
Monday 5 th June	Inset Day
Tuesday 6 th June	Term Starts
Monday 19 th – Wednesday 21 st June	Robins & Eagles residential to Grafham
Friday 30 th June	Class Assembly – Toucans
Friday 7 th July	Class Assembly – Penguins
Saturday 15 th July	PTFA Fayre

WATER BOTTLES

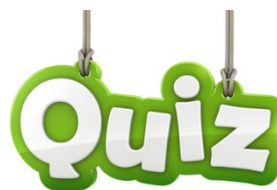
We have some Fen Ditton water bottles for sale in the office. They are £2. If you would like to purchase one then please pop in. All funds to the PTFA.

PTFA NEWS

Our next meeting will be at 7pm on Wednesday 29th March.

Things to look forward to

Spring Pub Quiz – Friday 17th March



Mad March Hair Day – Friday 31st March



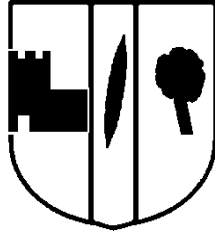
Attendance Award



Congratulations to Eagles who won last week's attendance award with a total of 98%.

CLASS ATTENDANCE LEAGUE 2016 2017

Class	Attendance Figure	Grade
1 st : Robins	96%	Above National Average
1 st : Toucans	96%	Above National Average
2 nd : Peacocks	95.9%	Above National Average
3 rd : Nightingales	95.6%	Above National Average
3 rd : Eagles	95.6%	Above National Average
4 th : Penguins	94%	Below National Average



Fen Ditton C. P. School

Temporary Lunchtime Supervisors

Fen Ditton Primary School is seeking to appoint reliable Midday Supervisors to assist in the supervision of pupils during the lunch break. Initially for a term but could, for the right candidate, be made permanent.

The role will include:

- opportunities to run group games and activities outdoors
- supporting children in the dining hall
- supporting in the social and emotional development and well-being of our children

Pay is £7.66 an hour; six hours a week (12:15 – 13:25 daily with a 20 minute meeting at 1:25 every second week, usually on a Monday).

Part-time hours are available but for a minimum of 3 days a week.

Fen Ditton Primary School Primary is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. A DBS check will be undertaken for the successful applicant.

For an application form, job description or further details, please contact the school office on 01223 292342