



**Fen Ditton Community Primary School**  
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*'Working together to achieve more'*

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**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February**

## School Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers

Another successful term has flown by. To continue the theme of inviting visitors to the school to inspire the children, I can report how interested the children were to hear about Ed Williams long distance swimming achievements during Monday's assembly. Ed has now swam the English Channel and from Ireland to Scotland in freezing waters while overcoming jellyfish stings. Can you imagine swimming for 11 hours without a break?!

### PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Shortly after half term we will be putting the sign up sheets out for people to select a consultation time. Please feel free to call or email the office to ask them to allocate you a time slot.

### ROBINS SET FIRE ALARM OFF

I can report that although Robin's pupils set off the fire alarm resulting in a successful evacuation of the school their pasta dishes were delicious.....

### PENGUINS DIVERSITY

Penguins have now completed their around the world topic exploring countries that are special to them. They have enjoyed many delicious foods, performed Fusion and Chinese Dragon dancing, as well as learning about the tallest buildings and mountains in the world.

### NIGHTINGALES

Nightingales have created a wonderful version of the Bayeux Tapestry with Mrs Nicholls. They have also produced sensational Newspaper Reports on natural disasters in Fen Ditton. The children have also got off to a flying start with our new 'Kung Fu Panda' spelling challenge.

### CAR PARK

Could we please remind you all that the car park is for Staff use ONLY. This applies all day. If you are collecting your child from an after school club then please park in the layby or further down the road. Parents with disabled badges are, of course, allowed to park in the disabled bay in front of the office if they need to.

### LUNCHBOXES

There have been a few lunchboxes containing sweets recently which is not allowed. Please remember that we are a healthy eating school.

### LOST PROPERTY

If you know that your child has lost an item of clothing please remember to check our lost property mountain. We intend to empty this regularly and make use of the clothing recycling bin in the car park. This can be used by anyone, at any time of the day and raises valuable funds for the school PTFA.

### WEATHER

Now that the weather has turned cold, please make sure that your children have named coats, gloves and scarves in school. Also following on from the letter that was sent home previously – don't forget that if we need to close the school the information will be on the website and on Heart Radio. If we need to close during the day then we will send you a parent mail.

### MAD MARCH HAIR DAY

Please note the change in date for the Mad March Hair Day to **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March**.

*We hope you all have a lovely half term break and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February.*

## Term Dates 2016 - 2017

### SPRING TERM 2017

Half term  
13<sup>th</sup> February - 17<sup>th</sup> February

End of Term  
Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March

### SUMMER TERM 2017

Summer Term Begins  
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April

May Day – 1<sup>st</sup> May

Half term  
29<sup>th</sup> May – 2<sup>nd</sup> June

INSET DAY 5 – School Closed  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June

End of Term  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July



## 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 13 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February	Half Term
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	First day of term
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	World Book Day
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Robins visit to Barnwell Church
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent Consultations 5-7.30pm
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Science and Maths Week
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent Drop-In
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent Consultations 3.45-6pm
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Class Assembly - Eagles
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Spring Pub Quiz 7.30pm
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Comic Relief
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Toucans to Stibbington
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	PTFA Meeting 7pm
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Mad March Hair Day
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April – Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Holiday
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Class Photos
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Class Assembly - Nightingales
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Class Assembly - Peacocks
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Half Term
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Inset Day
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Robins & Eagles residential to Grafham
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Class Assembly - Toucans

### WATER BOTTLES

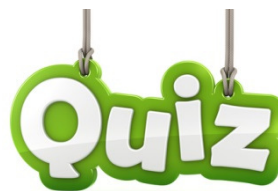
We have some Fen Ditton water bottles for sale in the office. They are £2. If you would like to purchase one then please pop in. All funds to the PTFA.

### PTFA NEWS

**Our next meeting will be at 7pm on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March.**

Things to look forward to .....

Spring Pub Quiz – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March



Mad March Hair Day – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March



### Attendance Award



Congratulations to Robins and Eagles who won last week's attendance award with a total of 97%.

### CLASS ATTENDANCE LEAGUE 2016 2017

Class	Attendance Figure	Grade
1 <sup>st</sup> : Peacocks	96%	Above National Average
1 <sup>st</sup> : Toucans	96%	Above National Average
1 <sup>st</sup> : Nightingales	96%	Above National Average
1 <sup>st</sup> : Robins	96%	Above National Average
2 <sup>nd</sup> : Eagles	95%	Above National Average
3 <sup>rd</sup> : Penguins	94%	Below National Average