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*'Working together to achieve more'*

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Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January

## School Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers

### OLYMPIANS VISIT FEN DITTON

We are always looking for ways to widen pupil's experiences and provide activities which inspire them. Last Friday, Helen Richardson-Walsh, MBE, returned to our school to talk further about how the Great British Hockey Team achieved Gold.



**Helen Richardson-Walsh MBE,  
GB Hockey Gold medallist.**

Helen spoke in the assembly and then answered the pupil's questions before visiting each class.

Just before Christmas Louis Rolfe delivered an assembly about his journey to Paralympic Gold for Track Cycling. As some of you know, Louis was a Fen Ditton student and it was a pleasure to hear about his achievements. Since his visit, like Helen, he was awarded an MBE for services to his sport in the New Year's honours list.

### PEACOCKS NEWS

This term we have been learning about explorers. So far we have investigated Robert Falcon Scott and Christopher Columbus. We have also been making Galleons in design and technology lessons.

### CLASS ASSEMBLY

Tomorrow is Peacock's class assembly. It starts at 9.15am, see you there!

### 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.

### KNIGHTS AND CARS

If you have any old toy cars and/or knights that your children don't play with anymore, would you please donate them to the school? They would be very gratefully received by the lunchtime team.

### CHANGE TO SICKNESS PROCEDURES

To bring our procedures in line with Government and NHS guidelines, from now on all cases of sickness will need 48 hours clear before your child returns to school. This also applies to diarrhoea.

### 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**

**£60.75 per half term**

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

## Spring and Summer Term 2016/2017 Diary Dates



Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> January	Class Assembly – Peacocks
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	SAT's Parent Meetings 3pm & 6pm
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February	Class Assembly – Penguins Followed by a guided reading workshop for parents.
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	Mad March Hair Day
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	PTFA Meeting 7pm
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 19 <sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Residential to Grafham

### 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

Thank you to all the parents/carers who supported our events running up to Christmas. The Pub Quiz raised £107, the Christmas Disco raised £165 and the Winter Warmer £319.

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

Things to look forward to .....

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

Mad March Hair Day – Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March

### Attendance Award



Congratulations to Peacocks who won last weeks attendance award with a total of 97%.

### CLASS ATTENDANCE LEAGUE 2016 2017

Class	Attendance Figure	Grade
1 <sup>st</sup> : Nightingales	99%	Above National Average
2 <sup>nd</sup> : Penguins	97%	Above National Average
2 <sup>nd</sup> : Eagles	97%	Above National Average
3 <sup>rd</sup> : Peacocks	96%	Above National Average
3 <sup>rd</sup> : Toucans	96%	Above National Average
4 <sup>th</sup> : Robins	92%	Below National Average