



Fen Ditton C. P. School

Fen Ditton Community Primary School Newsletter

"The Fen Ditton Four"

Respect, Kindness, Courage, Resilience

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Head teacher: Mr M Askew

News



Can I say a big thank you to the parents/carers who have changed their morning routines and are leaving their cars at home, using bicycles and scooters or are parking in the Fen Ditton High Road area and walking the last part to school (Park and Stride). As you are fully aware the works on the cycle way outside of the school is continuing and is due to be complete next Easter. This is all out of my hands, with the highways agency in charge of this process. However, they are in constant communication with the school to ensure the safeguarding of our community is taken into consideration. The next phase, once they have completed the work on the far side of the school, will be widening the pavement on the school side. Last week they erected a fence on our field in preparation for this next phase of the cycle way development. They are going to put a temporary crossing in at the Horningsea end of the school as they will be closing the footpath coming from that direction. Pedestrians and cyclists will be expected to cross over to the far side of the school footpath, walk down to use the Pelican Crossing by Fen Ditton High Road and then walk back up to the school entrance. Please can you take the time to prepare and encourage your children to use this safe route rather than taking a chance crossing a very busy and often fast paced road?



Two weeks ago a mobile library, now a digger visiting the playground to deliver the fencing.

I have received some very good feedback from parents who have stayed for an E-Safety Workshop after their child's class assembly. They left the session with lots of tips and some reflective thoughts on how well they are supporting their children and keeping them safe on line.

Finally, can I please remind parents/carers that you are responsible for your children on the playground before the school bell rings at 09:05? Your children should also not be on the field at any time first thing in the morning or using the playground equipment.

Thank you as ever for your support.

Mr Askew

Achievements



We are all very proud of the school football team who represented the school at a competition with 9 other schools on Thursday. They came an impressive fourth overall missing out on a medal by one place. They played 9 matches, won 5, drew 2 and lost only 2 games. We may be being a little biased, but we do feel that our team played the most attractive passing game compared with other school's more direct style. Well done to Jack,

Andrew, Oscar, Sophia, Eva, Olivia, Shyann, Ethan, Joe and Rome, who also won the individual award for displaying the best teamwork on his side.

Attendance Cup

Pelican's class were last week's winners of the attendance cup and this week it was **Swans** with 98.46%.

House Points Cup – overall

Rank	House	Points
1 st	Darwin	537
2 nd	Blackburn	442
3 rd	Franklin	370
4 th	Hawking	313

New Caterers

Our new caterers, Cater link, will be starting on the 15th October. You should all have received a new menu as well as a version being sent home via Parent mail.

Non School Uniform Day Friday 19th October- £1 per Child

We are having a Non school uniform day to help raise money for the PTFA, who have recently donated £7000 to help fund new playground equipment for the school. The theme is: come dressed in your house colours. After school we will be having a book sale, second hand uniform sale and a refreshment stall (cake donations welcome).

Children in Need - 16th November

Just to let you know we will be selling Pudsey pin badges and light up keyrings from the 5th November

Harvest Festival Donations

We would just like to say a huge thank you for all the harvest donations we have received for Jimmy's Night Shelter.

New Office Hours

Please be aware that the office will be closing every day at 4.00pm.

TERM TIME HOLIDAYS

Can we please remind parents that term time holidays are not allowed, anyone taking their child/children out of school during term time is potentially liable to pay a fine.

Events coming soon

Dates for your Diary	
Friday 12 th October	Swans Class Assembly 9.15am Followed by an E-safety Workshop for parents
Tuesday 16 th October	New parents for Reception Class September 2019 to look around 11am
Wednesday 17 th October	Parents evening 3.45pm-6pm
Thursday 18 th October	New parents for Reception Class September 2019 to look around 2pm
Thursday 18 th October	Parents evening 5pm-7.30pm
Friday 19 th October	Non school Uniform Day(come dressed in your house colour)
Monday 22- Friday 26 th October	Half Term
Tuesday 30 th October	Nightingales class parents evening 3.45pm-6.05pm
Thursday 1 st November	Nightingales class parents evening 5pm-7.30pm
Tuesday 6 th November	Flu vaccinations Yr R- Yr 5
Friday 16 th November	Children in Need- details to follow
Monday 29 th November	School starts
Friday 9 th November	Nightingales Class Assembly 9.15am followed by an E-safety workshop for parents
Friday 16 th November	Children In Need
Thursday 22 nd November	Christmas shopping Event. 7pm-9pm. £2 entry fee includes a raffle ticket- details to follow
Friday 23 rd November	Pelicans Class Assembly 9.15am Followed by an E-safety workshop for parents
Thursday 6 th December	PTFA Winter Disco
Wednesday 19 th December	Christmas Carol Service, with PTFA run refreshments/Tombola afterwards

Term Dates 2018 - 2019		
AUTUMN TERM 2018	SPRING TERM 2019	SUMMER TERM 2019
School Ends – Friday 19 October Half Term - 22 October - 26 October School Starts – Monday 29 October Autumn Term Ends – Wednesday 19 December	Training Day 2 – Thursday 3 Jan 2019 Training Day 3 – Friday 4 Jan 2019 Spring Term Starts – Monday 7 Jan 2019 School Ends – Friday 15 Feb 2019 Half Term - 18 February - 22 Feb 2019 School Starts – Monday 25 Feb 2019 Spring Term Ends – Friday 5 April 2019	Training Day 4 – Tuesday 23 April 2019 Summer Term Starts – Wednesday 24 April 2019 May Bank Holiday – Monday 6 May 2019 School Ends – Thursday 23 May 2019 Training Day 5 – Friday 24 May 2019 Half Term 27 May – 31 May 2019 School Starts – Monday 3 June 2019 Summer Term Ends – Wednesday 24 July 2019
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