Newsletter - Winter Term 4 Week 1

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Message from the Headteacher



Dear Parents and Carers

We have had a very pancake focused week ranging from some lovely messy play with pancake ingredients to flipping and eating pancakes with a whole range of imaginative fillings. There was some very impressive pancake themed artwork as well.

Thank you to those of you who responded to our consultation about the academisation. The responses were overwhelmingly in favour of converting and there have been some interesting observations and comments, which I will share shortly in a report.

Just to remind you, we are having a parents' evening on March 12th from 3.30 to 6.00pm to review your child's progress. You will shortly receive a letter from your class teacher inviting you to make a ten minute time slot with them. If you require longer, please arrange another time with them outside of this evening.

You should also have received a reminder of how to check if the school is closed in the event of severe weather. We will post all information on the website, OCC website and with local radio stations (BBC Radio Oxford and Jack FM.) For those signed up to Eezeetrip, we will also notify you through this.

Have a great weekend

Best wishes

Lucy

Student of the Week

Orange: Kian	Purple: Joshua
Blue: Leo and Sol	Red: Yasser
Yellow: Monzir and Trey	Green: Alliyah
Bronze: Patty	Silver: Jano
Gold: Mariana	Copper: Hayley
Platinum: Tyler	Titanium: Zohaib

Dates for the diary

12th March 2020 - Parents' Evening 3.30pm to 6pm Thursday 5th March - World Book day

Green Class

This week, Green class have started on a new story for the term ahead - Funny Bones. The students worked together to build a skeleton using clues such as the position of the thumbs on the hands. Everyone is enjoying looking after the fish as part of the Fishkeeper Fry programme which we were lucky enough to be selected for. This week we have welcomed 6 Harlequin rasboras into the aquarium. We also have 4 Zebra danios and 5 Wagtail platties. Students have been learning how to look after the fish, including changing the water and cleaning the filter, to keep the water healthy for them. The budding fishkeepers have come up with some wonderfully creative names for the fish, including HailStorm, Crocodino and Bob! We also celebrated Pancake day on Tuesday by making goldfish-shaped (and coloured) pancakes!













Gold Class

Gold Class thoroughly enjoyed Shrove Tuesday and celebrated with lots of pancake flipping fun! Here are some photos of the madness! We are also happy to be joined by a new student, Mariana. We have made her feel really welcome by being really kind, thoughtful and helpful.













FoMP News

We have been very kindly donated two bears made in fabric roses (hand made in Mabel Prichard colours) by a very talented MP lunchtime supervisor.

FoMP will be selling raffle tickets at both primary and secondary sites parents/carers evening on 12th March. If you'd like to be in with a chance to win one but unable to come and buy some tickets, please send in money (25p a ticket or £1 strip) in an envelope clearly marked "Bear Raffle" with the pupils home diary either 12th or 13th March.

The raffle will be drawn (one at primary and one at secondary) on Friday 13th March just before home time. Good luck

Next FoMP meeting is Tuesday 3rd March at the Community-Tea Cafe (just along from Primary site) come along and join us for a chat and coffee/tea.

OASIS OXFORDSHIRE AUTISTIC SOCIETY Information & Support

<u>Oasis</u>

OASIS will be at FoMP on 10th March. This will be at the community-tea cafè, just along from the primary site. If you fancy coming along to see a bit more about what we offer and to meet some of their committee, someone will be there from 9am. We look forward to meeting you!

OASIS is a friendly charity run by parents for parents/carers who are bringing up children/young adults with Autistic Spectrum Disorder or related conditions such as Global Developmental Delay or Sensory Processing Disorder in Oxfordshire.

We aim to create a supportive community through informal coffee and chat groups, evening meetings with professional speakers, subsidised courses and family play days during school holidays.

We welcome families who have an ASD diagnosis for their child and also those going through the assessment process.

Kindest regards, Jemma Webb, OASIS, Parent Volunteer/Committee Member

World Book Day Reminder

A reminder that we will be celebrating world book day on Thursday 5th March. All students are invited to dress as their favourite book characters and there will be a range of exciting book related activities throughout the day.

