



## **Newsletter 2 Spring Term**

**27 January 2017**

### **Dear Parents and Carers**

A big thank you for all your support during our OFSTED inspection this week, and a special thank you to those of you who completed the Parentview survey. As soon as the inspector's report has been published, I will be able to share his judgements with you. Unfortunately, this might take a couple of weeks as it has to be quality assured first. As usual, the children behaved impeccably and were very focussed in their learning.

### **PE Kit**

Please can I remind you of our uniform policy regarding PE kit. Children should wear shorts when taking part in gymnastics or dance inside. They should not be wearing track suit trousers or 3/4 length trousers, as these not only hinder their performance, but are also potentially a health and safety issue. Skorts and leggings are also not allowed.

Blue track suit trousers may be worn for outdoor PE when it is cold.

### **CANCELLED TRIP**

Unfortunately, we have had to cancel the Year 5/6 Music Concert trip to the Sheldonian Theatre which was due to take place today. We were left with no alternative as not enough children returned their slips by the deadline given on the letter. Mrs Yeomans in the office often spends numerous hours chasing payments and permission slips and this is something that the office can no longer afford the time to do. We are extremely disappointed about having to take this action as we felt it was a fantastic opportunity for the children to see a live classical concert at an extremely reasonable cost. Learning about the instruments of the orchestra is part of our curriculum and we hoped it would be a much more engaging way of learning. This aspect will now be covered in class in a different way. We try to think very carefully about the trips we plan and a lot of time is spent planning them. We would like to apologise to those children and parents who returned their permission slips on time.

### **Athletics**

On Wednesday a selected group of children from Year 6 attended a Sportshall Athletics Festival. It was great fun and the children enjoyed all the activities. They will all receive a certificate for their participation.

### **Staff vacancy**

We still have a vacancy for a Lunchtime Supervisor in our EYFS Unit for 2 days a week (Wednesday and Friday). The hours to be worked will be 11:45 until 1:15 and will involve supervising the Nursery children in the lunch hall and working with another adult to supervise the Reception children during the lunch break. Please ring or call in at the School Office if you are interested in the post.

## **Bingo Night – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb**

Our dedicated FoFS team are hard at work organising our Bingo night. Please get your tickets as soon as possible. It promises to be a great evening and was a brilliant success last year. It is an event for all the family so don't miss out!

## **Football Match**

This week our newly formed Year 6 football team had their first match against Kings Meadow School. It was their first time on the pitch together and it was great to see the boys and girls having a good time. They demonstrated perseverance and despite losing are looking forward to their next match with optimism!

## **School Council**

Our two Year 6 school councillors, Layla and Edward, spent an afternoon at the Bicester area BLiP Kidz meeting on Thursday. They had a great afternoon finding out about active learning and came back with lots of ideas to share with the school.

Regards

Debbie McLeod  
Headteacher

## **SCHOOL DIARY**

Fri 3 February – FoFS Bingo Night  
Tue 7 February – Safer Internet Day  
Mon 13 February-Half Term week  
Mon 20 February- Back to School  
Tue 7 March – Parents' Evening + Book Fair  
Wed 8 March – Parents' Evening + Book Fair  
Tue 28 March – 2pm Years 4/5 Performance  
Wed 29 March – 6.30pm years 4/5 Performance  
Sat 1 April- Easter Egg Hunt  
Fri 7 April – Easter Service led by years 4/5  
Mon 10 April- Start of Easter Holiday/ Mon 24 April – Back to School  
Mon 1 May – Bank Holiday  
Mon 8 May – Start of SATS week  
Mon 29 May- Half Term Week  
Mon 5 June- INSET Day  
Tue 6 June- Back to school  
23 June- Sports Day  
Thu 6 July- Year 6 Evening Performance  
Fri 7 July- FoFS Summer Event  
Tue 11 July- Class Swap Day  
Thu 13 July- Leavers' Disco  
Tue 18 July- Presentation Evening  
Fri 21 July- Leavers' Service  
Fri 21 July- End of term