

"Growing and Learning Together with God"

Spring Term 2 Value : Love and Agape



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Dear Parents and Carers,



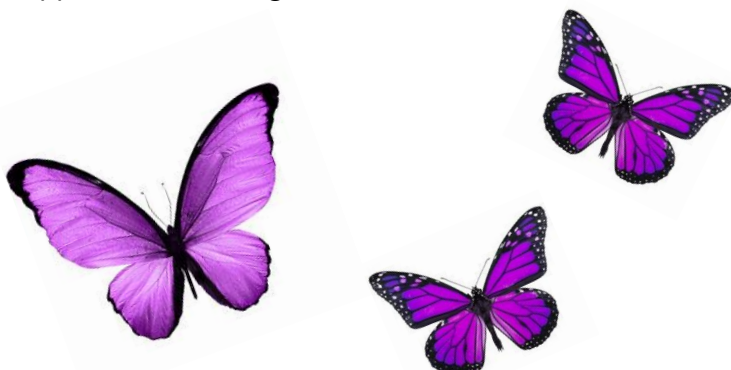
Message from Mr Hart

It has been a wonderful week in school, and it was fantastic to welcome parents into our Sharks sharing assembly on Monday to experience the learning that has taken place. My thanks go to Mrs Montgomery and the team for their hard work and to the children for their enthusiastic presentation.

This week I met with our Primary Leadership Team to discuss Ukraine and next week's Red Nose Day event on Friday 18th March. Our meetings are always filled with wonderful ideas as we look to support our wider communities.

It is hard to ignore the events that are taking place in Ukraine at the moment and we are ensuring that we deal sensitively with any questions or worries children may have. We, like other schools nationally, will be taking part in a 'Day for Ukraine' on Wednesday 16th March to help raise funds for Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) for humanitarian aid. More details about this can be found elsewhere in the newsletter.

On Wednesday, I met with our Safeguarding Governors to discuss our processes and procedures to support children and families. They also spoke to staff and were impressed with our systems. My thanks go to them for their support and challenge.



Class Activities



Tiddlers & Minnows

The Tiddlers and Minnows had a great start to the week by starting their new Music Unit. The children had great fun singing along to some of their favourite Nursery Rhymes, 'Old MacDonald had a Farm', and the 'Wheels on the Bus' and are excited to be introduced to glockenspiels next week.



They also had great fun during their messy art sessions this week; the children loved dipping their feet in some paint and walking along paper.

In Maths, the Minnows have been exploring the composition of the number 9; they understand that smaller numbers can be added together to make the number 9.

The Tiddlers have worked hard on recalling numbers to 5 and examining the shape of puzzle pieces; they are able to identify if a line is straight or curved.

In Topic, the children have been learning about transport that can go on roads. They have compared pictures of new and old cars and seeing if there are any similarities or differences. A very busy week indeed!

Sticklebacks

This week the Sticklebacks children have been on a 'science materials hunt' around their area to think about the different materials objects are made from.

They also stuffed their cushions which are now ready to be sewn and finished!

In IT the children looked at doing a task which was not easy - a marble run - which made them frustrated so that they continued with it in order to master it. They thought about their feelings and the perseverance involved.

Seahorses

This week the Seahorses have been reading the story of 'Jack and the Baked Beanstalk' and developing their inference skills when reading a text.



The Year 3s have begun to look at money in Maths while the Year 2s have looked at tally charts and pictograms.

In PE the children have been developing their throwing skills and, in Science, they have been trying to answer the question 'What is inside a seed?'



Class Activities (continued)

Stingrays

Stingrays have started a new book in English this week, 'The Ways of the Wolf', though they did need to really use their *inspired minds* to predict what the book would be about when they were just given the blurb. Once the title had been shared they were all very enthusiastic to discover that they are working towards producing a non-chronological report about wolves. They also took part in a debate to decide whether wolves should be treated as friends or foes and it was fantastic to hear all the children contributing with *confidence and self belief*.



In PE they showed great *endurance* when working to develop their cardio-fitness as part of their health and fitness unit.

Sharks

It was lovely to welcome so many parents into school on Tuesday afternoon for Shark's sharing assembly, where they shared this term's learning about Ancient Greeks through drama, role-play and reading.

Sharks continued their creative application of History in this week's PE, choreographing dances to re-tell some more Greek myths.



In Maths they have been applying their ability to multiply and divide by 10, 100 and 1000 to convert between different units of metric measure.

'Child of the Week'

Tiddlers & Minnows

James N and Penny C

Sticklebacks

Elizabeth C and Grace M

Seahorses

Leo S and Lily-Rose S

Stingrays

Caspian H-E and Eviana M

Sharks

Lorelei S and Jamie Mc



Super Sentence Writers :

Minnows

No Super Sentence Writers this week

Sticklebacks

George W and Naomi S

Family Group Points :

Griffin

Whole School Attendance : **93.53%**

Year 5 and 6 Sportshall Athletics

Our athletes had a fantastic morning at the Sportshall Athletics in Bicester on Thursday morning. It was wonderful to see the children really enjoying themselves, demonstrating determination, encouragement, and support for each other.

Well done Team Fritwell!



DEC Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal – Wednesday 16th March



The Department for Education has asked that all schools take part in a Day for Ukraine next **Wednesday the 16th**.

It is being organised by *First News* in partnership with the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC), to raise funds for their appeal.

Pupils are asked to wear **blue** and **yellow** and **bring in £1.00 in cash**, if you can, unless you have already donated elsewhere towards this cause.

During the day the children will write prayers for Ukraine and we will be lighting a candle in school worship.

Red Nose Day – Friday 18th March

Next **Friday the 18th** we will also be celebrating and raising money for Comic Relief, to support all the wonderful organisations who do so much for communities around the UK and worldwide. It will be a *non-uniform day* for the children and they may wear red clothes/something red in their hair/a red nose. We do ask that **each child bring in a £1 coin – in cash** – to contribute towards this worthy cause.



As always, we appreciate all the support we receive from our parents and carers. Thank you.

Friends of Fritwell School

FoFS would be very grateful if you are able to add a bottle or an Easter egg to your shopping lists over the coming weeks to donate towards the Easter Egg Hunt and Tombola stall. Bottles may be anything – soft drinks, alcohol, shower gel, etc.

They are also looking for teddies in good and clean condition for the Children's Tombola.

A bin will be put out by the school gate on Monday 14th and all donations can be placed in it.

FoFS is extremely grateful for your support.

On the subject of the Easter Egg Hunt, don't forget to buy your tickets! Check out the poster for the details of how to purchase them.

Enjoy the weekend.

Kind regards,

Jon Hart

Headteacher



Mondays a.m.

Tuesdays – 3.30 to 4.30pm

Wednesdays – 3.30 to 4.15pm

Wednesday Lunchtimes

Thursdays a.m.

Thursdays – 3.30 to 4.15pm

Music for Schools Music Lessons

Football Club (Adam Bradley)

Sewing Circle Club

Boys Football Club

iRock

MultiSports Club (Premier)

Years 2 - 6

Years 4 - 6

Years 5 – 6

Years 1 - 3

Thursdays – 3.30 to 4.30pm

Friday – 1.00pm

Friday – 1.15pm

Tuesday 15th March

Wednesday 16th March

Wednesday 16th March

Wednesday 16th March

Thursday 17th March

Friday 18th March

Mon 21st to Thurs 24th March

Wednesday 23rd March

Thursday 24th March

Friday 25th March

Tuesday 29th March

Thursday 31st March

Saturday 2nd April

Thursday 7th April

Friday 8th April

Monday 25th April

Thursday 26th May

Tuesday 5th July

Tuesday 12th July

Girls Football Club

Years 4 - 6

Stingrays plus extras – Swimming

Seahorses – Forest School

Parent/Teacher Evening

DEC Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal – blue & yellow - £1 CASH

Parent/Teacher Evening

Boys Football Match vs Langford Village – home

Girls Football Match vs Longfields – away

Red Nose Day – non-school uniform - £1 CASH

Year 5 Bikeability Training

NCMP Weights & Heights – Reception and Year 6

Girls Football Match vs Bure Park – away

School Disco

Stingrays Sharing Assembly 2.45pm

Girls Football Match vs Chesterton

FoFS Easter Egg Hunt

iRock Concert 9.30am

Start of Easter holidays

Back to School

Sticklebacks Sharing Assembly 2.45pm

Seahorses Sharing Assembly 2.45pm

Tiddlers & Minnows Sharing Assembly 2.45pm