



Newsletter 6 Autumn Term

24 November 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was a real privilege to take our Tag Rugby team to the area finals last week. The children played with real determination and won 2 of their 9 games, missing out on 5 of the other games by 1 try only. The school games' value was Respect and it was lovely to see all children from across the North Oxfordshire area being so polite and demonstrating great sportsmanship, never questioning the referee's decision and shaking hands with all players, managers and officials. I gave the children the task of choosing our player who had shown the most respect and Django La Porte was a worthy winner. Thank you to all parents who transported the children and to the children themselves for being brilliant ambassadors for our school.

Tag Rugby Finals – Report by Amna Khan:

"On the 16th November we went to the rugby finals. We played 9 matches while we were there. In my opinion the team played well and we came 8th out of 46 teams!"

Swimming Gala – Report by Izzie Carter and Emily Palmer:

"On Wednesday the 15th November some of the Year 6 children attended the Year 6 Swimming Gala at the Bicester Leisure Centre. Eight schools competed although some brought more than one team. Our Fritwell boys came 4th and the girls came 5th, with some excellent wins in all strokes. Overall it was a great competition and a lot of fun. Special thanks to Mrs Weaver and Mrs Scott for transporting and organising this for us."

Cross Country Finals

On Monday the 20th November the NOSSP Cross Country Finals for Year 5/6 and Year 1/2 took place at Sibford School. The weather may have been damp and cold but the runners from Fritwell School were on fire! The Year 1/2 boys won their team event, with the Year 5/6 girls coming second and the Year 5/6 boys third. Brilliant running by all the children, but a special well done to Harry Townsend in Year 2, who came first overall in his event.

Telephone System

You will be glad to know that our telephone system is back and working properly. You will therefore now be able to leave a message on the absence line if your child is off school. When you have to leave a message of this sort, please do speak clearly and explain the reason for your child's absence, as we have various codes to use for absence in the registers. Please ensure that all messages are left before 9:00 a.m.

Katherine House Raffle

We are presently selling raffle tickets for the Katherine House Hospice, at £1 per ticket. There are some excellent prizes to be won and the money raised will go towards this worthy cause. The closing date for the raffle is 15 December 2017 so please see the office if you would like to purchase any tickets.

Alchester Running Club & Bicester Athletic Club

On Sunday the 10th December there are a series of children's fun runs being held by the above clubs, to raise money for The Hummingbird Cancer & Support Centre. The distances are 1km for Year 6 and under, and 3km for Years 7 to 10. If you would like your child to keep active and help to raise funds for cancer, then please complete the attached form and send it to them before the 4th December. Other Headteachers in our partnership have reported what a good event this is!

Secondhand School Uniform

Cadell Beckett (Euan's mum) is holding a lot of secondhand uniform in assorted sizes, to be purchased for a small donation. If you are needing any, please contact her direct on 07710 271790 or cadelld@icloud.com

Community Tea Party

On Thursday 14th December the Stingrays class will be running the annual Community Tea Party. Older residents from the local area are invited for tea and cake and entertainment from the children. If you know of any elderly people in the village, who are not already attending, please give their name and contact details to the office.

Christmas Parties

On the afternoon of Friday 15th December the classes will be having their Christmas parties. Can I ask whether there is anyone who would be willing to be our special visitor? Please contact the office for more details.

Poppy Day

Thank you to all those who brought in a pound (or more!) to purchase items for Poppy Day; we have been advised that Fritwell School raised £141.88!

Reminder

Can I please ask you **again** not to send your child into school with a rucksack - there simply isn't space in our cloakrooms? Their size causes coats and book bags to fall off pegs onto the cloakroom floor, making the area untidy and a trip hazard. PE kit should be sent in a drawstring bag or similar. Thank you.

Regards

Debbie McLeod *Headteacher*



SCHOOL DIARY Wed 29 November – Year 1/2 MultiSkills Festival Thurs 30 November - Sharks trip to Natural History Museum, Tring Fri 1 December – School Decorating Day and Christmas Jumpers/Hats Sat 2 December- FoFS ChristmasCraft Fayre- Fritwell Primary 2-5 Tue 5 Dec- Advent Workshop Wed 6 Dec- School Disco Thu 7 Dec- Nativity Play EYFS – am Fri 8 Dec-Secret Present Room Tue 12 Dec- 1.45 Lower School Nativity Wed 13 Dec – 1.45 Lower School Nativity Thu 14 Dec – Community Tea Party Fri 15 Dec - pm Christmas Parties Mon 18 Dec- Christmas Lunch Tue 19 Dec – am Carol Service-Tue 19 Dec- End of Term Thu 4 Jan- Back to School