



Dear Parents and Carers

We have had a lovely few weeks in school. We have been focusing on our school value of respect and the children have been demonstrating their excellent listening and collaborative working skills. The photographs that follow show some of the children's learning.

Reception



The reception children have enjoyed activities around the story Lines that Wiggle.

We have been naming all of the different kinds of lines we have seen around the school and enjoyed mark making different lines that we have displayed in the library.



Year 1



YEAR 1 ENJOYING GYMNASTICS

Year 2



Year 2 enjoyed looking at organic shapes in Art and were inspired by the artist Ellsworth Kelly.



Harvest Festival – Thank You

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Harvest Assembly last week. The children were fantastic and had done so well to learn the songs and poems. Thank you also to Friends of Fulmer for providing the tea, coffee and cakes before the assembly. A fantastic £140.00 was raised.

A huge thank you to everyone who donated food. The School Council helped to sort through the donations and packed them up ready for Francesca from St James and Fulmer Church to take to the Trussell Trust.



School Champions

At the end of every week staff review the effort and performance of children in each class and make two special awards: the 'Star of the Week' award and the 'Best Listener' award. Certificates are then presented in our Friday assembly and children congratulated. The award-winning champions this week are:

Friday 4th October 2024

Best Listeners:-

Year R – Not awarded

Year 1 – Not awarded

Year 2 – Not awarded

Stars of the Week:-

Year R – Whole Class

Year 1 – Whole Class

Year 2 – Whole Class

Friday 11th October 2024

Best Listeners:-

Year R – A C

Year 1 – T W

Year 2 – E S

Stars of the Week:-

Year R – S M

Year 1 – M M

Year 2 – E P

Achievements Outside of School

We love to hear about the children's achievements outside of school and to celebrate these in our Friday Celebration Assembly. If your child receives a certificate or award for something they do outside of school, please do send it into school and we will celebrate it during our Friday Celebration Assembly. Last week we celebrated S and L in Year 2 who won their first rugby tournament. We saw a super video clip of them demonstrating their teamwork skills. Well done S and L!

We also need to give a special mention to S B in Year 1. S has cut her hair and donated it to The Little Princess Trust Charity. This was a wonderfully kind thing to do and she has raised £275 as well. S has a JustGiving page and if you would like to know more, please ask S's Mum in the playground. We are all very proud of S's thoughtfulness!

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is open every day from 7:45am. There is no need to book, you can just turn up on the day. Each session costs £7.00 and payment by card is preferred as we do not have change.

When dropping your child off at breakfast club, please remember to walk them to the hall and wait with them until they are marked in by an adult.

Breakfast club have been developing their menu in response to feedback from the children. There are now eggs and beans available. Children can choose from a selection of:

- Cereals
- Fruit
- Toast
- Eggs
- Beans
- Pancakes
- Milk
- Water
- Hot chocolate

Attendance at School

We all know how important it is for children to attend school regularly. To help with this, please avoid booking any holidays in term time because we need children learning in school every day. We have a school target of 96% and ask you to help us achieve it. 90% attendance may sound quite good, but it actually means your child is missing the equivalent of: -

- One half day each week
- Nearly four weeks every school year
- Over one year in a school career

Best classes for attendance are:

Week ending 04.10.2024: Year 2 at 99%

Week ending 11.10.2024: Year 1 at 98%%

Well done Year 2 and Year 1!

Absence from School

If your child is absent from school, please advise the school office by telephone or email by 9:30am on each day they are absent. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Parking

We have been advised by The Black Horse that due to changes in their opening hours, parents will no longer be able to use the rear car park to park when dropping or collecting children from school. Parents are able to use the spaces at the front of the car park, **except for the first 5**. The Black Horse have also requested that parents are patient while deliveries are received on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

We remain very grateful to The Back Horse for the support they showed to the school by previously allowing us to use the rear car park and in continuing to allow us to use the front car park.

This change to our available parking will obviously impact the traffic using Alderbourne Lane. If you do need to drive past the school, please ensure you are cautious and considerate. Please also continue to respect our neighbours by ensuring driveways are left clear and roads are not blocked.

Thank you for your support in helping to make the journey to school safe for everyone.

Diary Dates



Date	Event
Wednesday 16 th October	Yr 1 Footsteps Training (see emails)
Friday 18 th October	Black History Workshops (details to follow)
Monday 21 st October	Parent Consultations 3.10pm to 5.30pm
Tuesday 22 nd October	Year 1 Trip to Iver Environment Centre (see emails)
Wednesday 23 rd October	Yr 1 Footsteps Training (see emails)
Wednesday 23 rd October	Parent Consultations 4pm to 6.30pm
Friday 25 th October	School closes for half term at 3pm
Monday 4 th November	School open
Monday 4 th November	FOF Pumpkin Party 3pm to 4.30pm
Friday 15 th November	Tempest Individual Photographs
Thursday 28 th November	Yr 2 Trip to Ufton Court (details to follow)
Friday 29 th November	Happy City Day (details to follow)
Friday 6 th December	Year 2 Assembly 9.15am (details to follow)
Friday 20 th December	School closes at 1pm for Christmas holidays

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Mrs Julie Matton
Headteacher

