



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



Reception have been learning about responsibility as part of their personal development lessons. They have learnt that being responsible means taking care of something.

They have discussed different ways that they could help being responsible at home and at school such as tidying up and helping out with jobs etc.

As part of their learning they planted cress seeds which they will be responsible for watering and taking care of.

Year 1



DT - Making bean and tzatziki dips.
We enjoyed making dips and learning about the importance of the nutrients in fruit and vegetables, which help keep us fit and healthy.



22.10.24 Science trip to Iver Environment Centre.
We enjoyed exploring Iver's pond and woodland habitats discovering aquatic and terrestrial invertebrates.



Happy Diwali

This week our children have been learning about the Hindu and Sikh festival of Diwali. Miss Rudki taught the children the story of Rama and Sita and was helped out with some great acting from the children. She explained the rituals and activities that happen around this time and how, like most religious events, it is a time to share celebrating with family and friends.

We wish all our families who are celebrating a very happy Diwali.



Halloween Swap Shop

Thank you to everyone who took part in the Halloween Swap Shop last week, including the children who found new costumes, the parents who came to help and a special thank you to Liz for organising the event. As always we are extremely grateful for all the support we receive from Friends of Fulmer!

The message below is from Liz.

The Halloween swap shop was a great success last Friday, thank you to the parents that took the time to come in and run the shop.

We raised £160 for Friends of Fulmer (School PTA) but more importantly 50 costumes were recycled and the children loved the experience of shopping independently with their class mates. We had lots of feedback that the children are already wearing their costumes (even refusing to take them off at bed time!).

If any parents have any other fundraising ideas do get in touch with Friends of Fulmer - many hands make light work!



THE HALLOWEEN SWAP SHOP



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 18th October 2024

Best Listeners:-

Year R – A C

Year 1 – D S

Year 2 – S R

Stars of the Week:-

Year R – K T

Year 1 – A A

Year 2 – D K

Friday 25th October 2024

Best Listeners:-

Year R – F M

Year 1 – S S

Year 2 – M B

Stars of the Week:-

Year R – A S

Year 1 – E D

Year 2 – A S

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.

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 you can pay by cash or card.

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 18.10.2024: Reception at 93%

Week ending 25.10.2024: Reception at 100%

Well done Reception!

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.

School Travel Action Group

Apologies that the meeting planned was unable to go ahead. We will advise another date as soon as possible.

Parking

Thank you to everyone who is parking considerately at the beginning and end of the school day. We are still able to use the spaces in the front car park of the Black Horse **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 Black Horse for their support in allowing us to use the front car park.

When parking please refrain from parking on the yellow zig zag lines in front of the school. This keeps the school gate clear and is important for the safety of our children and families when arriving and leaving school. 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.

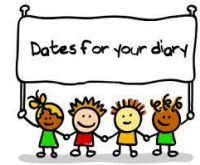
Thank you to Mrs Matthews

Mrs Matthews has been busy keeping the front of the school looking colourful and tidy. This week the children have noticed some pumpkin additions to the flower bed at the front of the school.

Thank you Mrs Matthews all your efforts are greatly appreciated!



Diary Dates



Event	Date
Friday 25th October	School closes for half term at 3pm
Monday 4th November	School open
Monday 4th November	Pumpkin Party (Friends of Fulmer)
Friday 15th November	Tempest Individual Photographs (details to follow)
Thursday 28th November	Year 2 trip to Ufton Court (see book bag)
Friday 29th November	Happy City Day
Wednesday 4th December	Christmas Lunch
Friday 6th December	Year 2 Assembly (details to follow)
Tuesday 17th December	Nativity 10am (details to follow)
Wednesday 18th December	Nativity 1.45pm (details to follow)
Friday 20th December	School closes at 1pm for Christmas Holidays
Monday 6th January	School open

Have a lovely half term.

Best wishes

Mrs Julie Matton
Headteacher

