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School Newsletter



September Update

We have had a very positive start to the school year. The children have settled into their new classes and I am already seeing evidence of good progress from the pupils. Children have been collecting certificates and stickers for a range of achievements across the curriculum. We have welcomed Cambridge United coaches back to support the Active Science programme in Year 5 and Norwich City continue to enhance our sports provision during lunch times. Dance Education have launched their dance modules in Years 3 and 4 and will work with every year group between now and July. Third Space Learning tutors are supporting our Year 6 mathematicians alongside A Level maths students from The Perse. This year, we will have weekly teaching input from Mr Ashley Dyer, a teacher employed by Cambridge United Football Club and sponsored by Premier League Primary Stars initiative. Mr Dyer will be supporting the PE curriculum across the school. He will also support teaching and learning in core subject areas, promoting and supporting active learning styles.



School Music

Our school orchestra meets every Friday afternoon and they are looking for new members. The aim of these sessions are to provide ensemble and performance opportunities for children having 1:1 tuition already. If you would like your child to join our orchestra then please speak to a member of staff on the school gate or email the office at your convenience. If you are looking for music tuition please contact Cambridge-shire Music to make a booking.

<https://www.cambridgeshiremusic.org.uk/pages/discover-music/tuition>

Last week, the school choir began their rehearsals for the Trinity College Choral

Evensong, where they will be performing the Even You Song. The performance will be held in the Trinity College Chapel on 2nd November 2019, timed to coincide with the fiftieth anniversary of the first moon landings.

Demand for places in the KS2 school choir are high and we are now running a waiting list for children in Years 3,4,5 and 6. If you child has not informed an adult that they would like to be on the waiting list then we would encourage them to do so ASAP.

Teaching and Learning Partnership

We hope you found the curriculum year group meetings informative and that you were provided with a clear picture of the teaching and learning that will be taking place in your child's class this year. If you were unable to attend, you should have received subject overviews via your child's book bag. These are also available on the school website via Curriculum' which is under the 'School Information' tab.

Annual Panto Trip

The time has already come for us to start preparing for our annual whole school trip to the Panto. This year, we are booked to see Cinderella on **Tuesday 10th December** costing £17.50 per child. Tickets can now be purchased via Sims Pay. The deadline for payment will be **Friday 15th November**.



Security

Please can I ask that you try and avoid leaving bicycles and scooters in the bike sheds overnight or at weekends? If you are unable to take them home on a given occasion, please let a member of staff know, as we are happy to store them inside the building overnight on those odd occasions.



KEY DATES

Tues 15th—Thurs 17th October
Parent Consultations

Mon 21st—Fri 25th October
Autumn Half Term

Mon 28th October
Autumn Term 2 Begins

Tues 29th October
Dragonfly visit to Zool-ogy Museum

Wed 30th October
Individual Photographs

Class Assemblies

Dragonfly Class



Dragonfly Class Assembly will take place on **Tues 15th October**

Firefly Class



Firefly Class Assembly will take place on **Thur 28th November**

Please note the change of date!





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Headteacher Award

At the start of every academic year, the Headteacher Award is presented to those children who have returned to school with a determination to achieve and excel. The learning behaviour of our pupils is strong. On this occasion, the following children have been nominated:



- Ladybirds - Harry M
- Butterflies - Joseph M
- Bumblebees - Milosz W
- Grasshoppers - Kornel K
- Beetles - Eileen G
- Fireflies - Oliwia M
- Dragonflies - Sinead O

Class Photographs

The photographer will be in school on **Wednesday 30th October** to take individual portrait photographs. Please make sure that your child is in school and in uniform. There will be an opportunity to purchase the school photograph, but without obligation.



Library Development

During the summer term, we installed a display screen in our library, This screen advertises new books and provides the children with ideas regarding authors and genres. We have a word of the week

for vocabulary development, as well as key facts relating to any given week in history. Please spend a moment to stop and look next time you are in school.



We have just purchased a lot of new stock for our school library that we will be sharing with the children over the next few weeks. However, we are looking to continually update our library stock and therefore ask that if you and your child discover a great book please complete a recommendation ticket in the library and we will add it to our purchase list.

ALDI Kits For School

If you shop at Aldi, you may already be aware of their 'Kit for School' promotion, linked with the 2020 Olympics. The Year 6 children are keen to collect the promotional stickers in the attempt to win a sports kit for the school. Therefore, if you use this supermarket we would appreciate any stickers that you are given, so we can fill the Tokyo 2020 poster and enter the sports kit draw.



Just Ask

Please remember that I am always available for questions or queries. If you miss me on the school gate, do not hesitate to email the school office to book a telephone or face to face appointment. I look forward to another year of working with you and your children.

S Harper

Harvest Assembly



Our Harvest Assembly is due to take place on **Tuesday 1st October** 2019. The assembly is an opportunity for the children to donate non perishable foods to those less fortunate. This year, our chosen charity is The Red Hen Project. This charity supports families in a variety of ways across North Cambridge and works closely with our school. Please bring your donations on the morning of the 1st October. Thank you!



THE RED HEN PROJECT



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