

# Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Another week has flown by and I continue to be proud of the wonderful learning opportunities we offer to all of our children. This week, I had a visit from Matthew Chater from West Midlands Police. We talked about the parking issues outside school and ways he can help us with road safety. He has also offered to work with us next week during Internet Safety Week. Matthew will be working with the children in Year 6 and hosting an internet safety workshop for parents at 2.30pm on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February which I hope many of you will be able to attend.

Have a wonderful weekend

S. Bracken

### **UPPER PHASE NEWSLETTER**

Year 4 has started a new topic in numeracy this week. They are now beginning to understand the connection between different measurements and how you can use this knowledge to answer perimeter questions. In addition, Year 4 has continued to investigate their geography topic about rivers. They began working on the reasons behind flooding and the various ways in which flooding can have an impact on the landscape and businesses.

In Year 5, the children started the week by focusing on division using the short method. They then spent the week applying their understanding of division to a range of reasoning and mastery-style questions. In the afternoons, the children had creative activities such as music and art. The children produced a watercolour beach scene which showed their application of light and dark depending on the light source.

In Year 6, the children have been completing practice SATs papers this week. They are identifying the skills required in the different test questions and examining how to answer to have a complete answer. If that was not tricky enough, they have also been learning to understand algebra. Year 6 began by looking at 1 and 2-step function machines to understand how to input the numbers, then they moved on to using 'x' to write expressions which relate to concrete manipulatives.

## **Diary Dates**

#### Monday 5th February

 Year 1 Trip – Coventry Transport Museum

#### Tuesday 6th February

- Year 4 Swimming Lessons
- Cleaning out Nature Area with Miss Bird

#### Wednesday 7th February

- 10am Year 2 & 3 Production
- 3pm 3:30pm Reception
  Reading Workshop
- 3.30pm 7pm Parents Evening

## Thursday 8th February

- 2pm Year 2 & 3 Production
- 2.30pm-Internet Safety presentation from the police
- 3.30pm 7pm Parents

# **OPAL PARENTAL QUESTIONNAIRE**

Later this academic year, we are going to be launching an exciting project, OPAL - Outdoor Play and Learning - to improve the quality of our breaktimes and lunchtimes. We really want to know what you think of playtimes now. Please could you complete the OPAL questionnaire below, this will help us to evaluate our current play provision before we begin to implement OPAL.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLScQ9Gc1VrNfRKL3roMYRHxmwQpQcBA8kartxYpEl-SxMYzDHA/viewform

Thank you in advance.





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### **ECO CLUB**

The Eco Club are pleased to announce that as a school we have managed to collect 1080 Christmas cards this year. This means they will be recycled and avoid going to landfill. Thank you to everyone who brought in cards. A special mention to Joseph in 4J who managed to bring in 350, well done. Keep your eyes peeled for more Eco new in the coming weeks.

## EMOTIONAL REGULATION PARENT WORKSHOP - Tuesday 20th February 9.00am-10.00am

Tania Wagstaff from Autism Specialists will be running a workshop for parents on the subject of supporting your child to regulate their emotions. This is open to all parents, regardless of whether your child has a diagnosis of Autism, or not, as this is something that all children can find difficult at some point in their lives. Tania works very closely with the school and has a wealth of knowledge to share, so it would be great to see as many parents as possible. For parents who are unable to attend, we will make sure that any materials are shared after the workshop. The workshop will be held in Squirrels. Please come to the Squirrels' entrance at 9.00am.

### **BOOKS!**

If anyone has any books they are able to donate to our school library, especially for the older years that would be very much appreciated. Thank you in advance, Mrs Hands – Librarian.

### **GRAPES IN SCHOOL**

If you are sending grapes into school in your child's lunchbox please could you ensure they are cut in half. Thank you

## Half Term at Market Hall Museum, Warwick

We are leaping back to Tudor times at Market Hall Museum, dress up, make Tudor crafts, learn how to juggle and party like it's 1559! Check out the website: https://heritage.warwickshire.gov.uk/whats

## Arty Tots in the Museum – Dress like a Tudor King and Queen

Tuesday 13th February, 10am - 1pm

Let's go back in time to the days of old and dress like Tudor royalty. Create a design for your shield, a crown that will shine and jewellery that will sparkle. Suitable for under 5's. £3 per child. No need to book just drop in.

# Party like it's 1559!

Wednesday 14th February, 10am – 2.30pm

Find out how Tudor Lords and Ladies celebrated with huge feasts and the entertainment they had. Learn the rules of some Tudor games, make decorations for elaborate pies and try on replica Tudor clothes. Join us for a beginner's juggling workshop to see if you could entertain the Tudor Lords and Ladies.

£5 per child, includes a 30 minute juggling workshop, pre booking required

at <u>www.warwickshire.gov.uk/heritageboxoffice</u> £3 per child, to drop in (does not included juggling workshop) Juggle workshops at 10.20am, 11am, 11.40am, 12.45pm and 1.30pm



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### **WEEKLY ATTENDANCE**

NNAM - 93.9% RM-87.3% NNPM - 90% RL-88.6% 1W - 93.4% 4L-84.7% 1B - 92.5% 4J- 90% 2S - 96% 5B- 96.6% 2B - 98% 5R- 94.8% 3W - 95.5% 6T - 96.7% 3S - 88.3% 6R - 93.3%

## PE DAYS - Please ensure your child wears the correct PE uniform on the correct day.

Monday Year 1 – Dance

Year 2 - Understanding Games

Year 4 - Dance

Tuesday Year 3 – Invasion Games

Year 4 – Swimming

Year 5 - Dance

Wednesday Year 5 – OAA

Year 6 - Dance

Thursday Year 1 – Understanding Games

Year 3 - Dance

Year 6 - Invasion Games

Friday Year 2 – Dance

Please can children wear their PE kit to school on PE days (except Reception)

- Plain white T-shirt or white t-shirt with Finham Primary logo
- 2. Plain navy blue or black shorts
- 3. Plain navy blue or black joggers
- 4. Plain navy blue or black leggings
- 5. White Socks
- 6. Black trainers/pumps (that fit well)
- 7. Plain navy jumper
- 8. Navy Hoodie with Finham Primary logo

PLEASE ENSURE YOU LABEL ALL ITEMS WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME

