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Newsletter 2

Head Teacher's News

It is hard to believe that this is only the second week back, as the children have settled into the routines of school so well. There has been a real buzz around the school this week, as the children have got stuck into their learning in class.

On Thursday evening, we welcomed parents to our Phonics Information Session. This was an opportunity for us to share details of the new phonics scheme we are implementing in school as well as to provide tips and support for parents. The Powerpoint from the evening can be found under the Parents/Parent Workshops tab on the website or you can go straight there by clicking [here](#). In addition, Twinkl Phonics have their own [Youtube channel](#) which is designed to help parents to support their child's learning at home. I strongly recommend having a look. Ensuring that you are using the same language with the children at home and that you are pronouncing the sounds correctly is vital to ensure that reading time at home is as valuable as possible. Our one big piece of advice is to read a little, but often and to make sure that every reading session include questions and discussions about the content of what the children are reading. This is the best way of making children passionate about reading. We are keen to provide as many opportunities for parents to work with us to make sure you are fully up to speed and immersed in children's learning. We will be announcing dates for Maths and English Workshops and Open Mornings soon, so please do put them in your diaries and try to attend.

Request from Miss Macleod – In order to make the Retreat as comfortable as possible for everyone who uses it, whether for Nurture sessions or interventions, if you have a spare mirror, bean bag or lava lamp at home that you would be happy to donate to the school, please may you bring it in FAO Miss Macleod!

Thursday is our first Computing Curriculum enrichment session at Code Ninjas with Year 4. I am really looking forward to seeing the children enjoying the activities that have been prepared for them.

I hope you all have a fabulous weekend. Please remember that the school will be closed for the Queen's funeral on Monday, so we look forward to seeing you on Tuesday.

Sam Browne

'It is like a mustard seed, which is the smallest of all seeds on earth. Yet when planted it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds can perch in its shade.'

Mark 4: 31-32

Nurture. Grow. Shine



Star of the Week

Sofia for being the kindest friend and caring for others

Amelia for completing all of her learning with a big smile on her face – Mrs Gippert and Mrs Stevens are very proud of you!

Tiammi for fantastic effort in her work and increasing independence

Callum for brilliant work in class this week.

CHESS CLUB

A number of children have spoken about the possibility of running a lunchtime chess club at school. This sounds like a great idea, but we would need your help! Are you an enthusiastic chess player or do you know of a grandparent or family/friend who may be interested in running a lunchtime chess club for us? Days are flexible and we would arrange for all materials and DBS check. If you can think of anyone suitable, please either speak to Mr Browne or the school office.

Diary Dates

Date	Occasion	Location	Who?
September 2022			
Weds 21 st – 7:00pm	Full Governing Body Meeting	School	Governors
Thurs 22 nd	Year 4 Code Ninjas Visit	Bucks New Uni	Year 4
Thurs 22 nd – 7:30pm	PTA Meeting	The Crown	Everyone
Mon 26 th	School Photos	School Hall	All children and siblings
Tues 27 th	Boys District Cup Football	Princes Risborough School	Selected Team
October 2022			
Thurs 6 th	Year 5 Code Ninjas Visit	Bucks New Uni	Year 5
Weds 12 th	Flu Vaccinations	Retreat Room	Children
Thurs 13 th	Year 3 Code Ninjas Visit	Bucks New Uni	Year 3
Thurs 20 th	Year 2 Code Ninjas Visit	Bucks New Uni	Year 2
Fri 21 st	Break Up for Half Term	School	Everyone
Mon 31 st	Start Back after Half Term	School	Everyone
November 2022			
Thurs 3 rd	Year 6 Code Ninjas Visit	Bucks New Uni	Year 6

