# Weekly Newsletter

03.11.2023



# **Upcoming Dates**

KS2 SATS Evening on Monday: Parents only please. 6pm start.

Starting on Monday: Year 2 assessment week.

**6th November:** New Parents' Evening 1: call the office to book attendance. Do you know someone interested in joining our school in Year R 24/25?

Tuesday evening: FOES AGM: From 6:30pm. Parents...would *you* like to join the Friends of Earith School? Just turn up and learn a little more and learn about how you can get involved. All welcome.

# **Christmas Production**

19th December: 1- 3pm: Have you booked time off work?

Maximum 2 seats per family are available due to Hall capacity, in the first instance.

Please confirm your no: of guests (1 or 2) on ParentMail from Monday. There is a one week deadline to respond.

We will be in touch at some point after this date if there is any additional seating.

Young siblings e.g. toddlers/babies are welcome and not included within your 2 seat allocation.

# New Volunteer: Mrs Dowell-Edwards.

Thank you so much to Elaine who has kindly volunteered her time to support children of all ages develop their reading fluency on Monday & Tuesday afternoons. We love having you, and the children have all said how much they like to read to you, Elaine. Fabulous.

# **Redecoration: Phase 2**

Hope you like the painted Hall & skirts, courtesy of Sean @ Inside Out. We certainly do!

We've also centralised and relocated some of our school resources and in return, created a new intervention room out of – what was formerly known as – *The Maths Cupboard*!

# **Rob Hutchins Electrical**

External lighting around school complete, courtesy of Rob from *over the road*. Just in time for those winter nights drawing in and especially for after school clubs & events. Cheers, Rob – cracking job.

#### **Brendan @ AV Fanatics**

Back once again. This time, over half term to mount our new *whizzy* speakers and deliver more tech & gadgetry. Gold class have certainly enjoyed preparing for their assembly with one of our new mics. Thank You, Brendan. We really appreciate all you've done for us.

#### **School Council & Class Council**

It was a pleasure to meet with the new School Council this week in preparation for the first class discussions in PSHE. They have been busy taking notes and will get ready to feedback to me the whole school's views next week in our first, official meeting. First up on the agenda: discussions around resources for outdoor (concrete only) lunches and indoor wet lunches. Super.

#### **Breakfast Club**

Numbers have not been sustainable for a while so Breakfast Club is once again, at risk of being closed.

Next week, children can book for free to try it out in an effort to subsequently raise the numbers following this week – so if you're thinking about trying it out, now is the time! Children that attend, enjoy this start to their day.

#### **Hannah Gold**

Author Hannah Gold (Gold class!) will be in Huntingdon on the 28<sup>th</sup> November: 4-5:30pm (see flyer below). We hope you can make it Year 5/6!

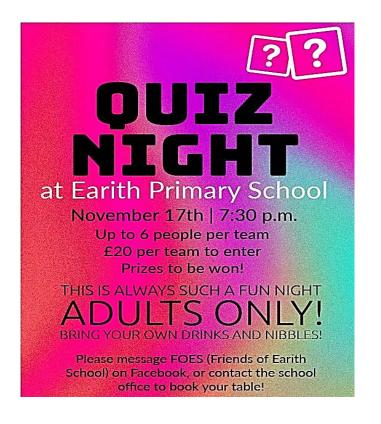
#### **FOES Christmas Bazaar**

See flyer below & save the date!

# Earith Primary School's Christmas Bazaar 14th December, 6pm - 8pm in the school hall FREE ENTRY Prizes to be won!

# **FOES Quiz Night**

See flyer below. Adults Only. Form a group; have some fun and support the school!



# **Spooky Legend**

Really proud of our children, who – despite the excitement of being able to dress up for Halloween in school – really focussed hard on their descriptive reading & writing lessons linked to all things *spooktacular*.

There was also an opportunity for us to read the classic book, 'FunnyBones' together as a whole-school during assembly, and – evidently – an opportunity for the children and screechers (play on words courtesy of Maya!) to play a tarantula prank on me...Thank You, All!

We hope you had an enjoyable & safe evening around the locality, for those of you taking part in tricks, or treats.

#### Lizzie

It is with sadness we announce the passing of our first-hatched chicken, Elizabeth (Lizzie). We are incredibly thankful for all the love & care Elizabeth received at our school and especially from our Chicken Helpers – the Watson's, Wilderspin's & Dartford's. A photo frame celebrating just some of the happy moments with Lizzie has been placed outside the school office by the celebratory boards for those of you that are able to take a look. Thank you to our helpers for arranging this lovely memento.



# Poppies on sale from Aurelia & Myles

Don't forget: Armistice Day: Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November (11am – 2 minute silence) coinciding with the end of World War 1 in 1918.



Aurelia & Myles (Head Girl & Boy) will be selling poppies at different points starting next week during break/lunchtimes. If you would like your child to purchase a poppy, we would suggest a minimum donation of 50p. The children are not given pins for attaching the poppies.

There is other Remember Day merchandise, such as keyrings, snap bracelets and bookmarks available to buy. These will be available from the school office at any time.

# **Caterlink Survey**

Parents, can you support your child to answer the questionnaire about their lunch experience? <a href="https://www.surveymonk.org/">https://www.surveymonk.org/</a> ey.co.uk/r/G9VWNSR

# **Gold Class Possible School Trip**

We appreciate that many of you will be saving/considering the payment for Hilltop in July so may not wish for further expense, hence the survey. *Possible* school trip if you are interested: please feedback:

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# **Learning Highlights of the Week**

# **Highlight Jeffers:**

It has been lovely to welcome the children back after the half term break. Tuesday saw everyone enjoying the spooky reading legend, the children strutted down our classroom catwalk showing off and describing their costumes. We enjoyed listening to and discussing spooky stories, in particular *Winnie the Witch*.

# **Highlight Shireen:**



During the Spooky Reading and Writing Legend, Shireen Class developed their use of adjectives to describe characters. In the morning, we enjoyed a class catwalk and generated a collective word cloud of adjectives for each others' costumes. In the afternoon, we listened to *Grobblechops* and *There's a Witch in my Book* as well as chorally reciting a spooky poem *Keys to the Castle -* we particularly liked shouting BOO to the ghost and SCAT to the rat!

# **Highlight: Riddell**

This week in Riddell Class we have been investigating features of non-fiction texts as we have started our new class book, *Charles Darwin's on the Origin of Species*. We have also started learning about the importance of the River Nile, practising our passing techniques in football, and learning how to sing like a Viking!

As well as all this, we enjoyed dressing up and reading spooky stories on our Halloween themed reading legend, and enjoyed creating hauntingly good descriptions of settings.



# **Highlight: Gold**

Our spooky Halloween writing was definitely a highlight for Gold Class. Creating atmosphere through the careful choice of words and phrases, and some excellent cliff-hangers, really set the ghostly tone!





# ★ Curriculum ★



# This week's Curriculum Champions are:

Jeffers Class: Isabelle, Abe, Jessica

Shireen Class: Oscar, Percy,

**Paddy** 

Riddell Class: Oliver H, Oliver S,

Megan

Gold Class: Freddie, Eleanor,

Maya

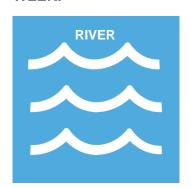


Winning class for week ending 20.10.2023

Riddell Class: 99.41%

Whole School: 97.64%

HOUSE WINNER THIS WEEK:



Community News and
Events this week: - click
HERE



Please see Sid the Cygnet on his website page – click HERE

Reading Blog **HERE** 

Celebration Awards Assemblies - click **HERE** 











# New in green; Emphasizing/Revisions in yellow

#### Autumn 2

w/c 6th November: Year 2 Assessments 6th November: KS2 SATS Info Evening 6th November: New Parents' Evening 1:

7th November: FOES AGM

13th November: wear odd socks – start of Anti Bullying Week

16th November: New Parents' Evening 2

17th November: Children In Need: Big Bear Coin Drop (assembly time)

17th November: FOES Bake Sale: Shireen

17th November: FOES Parents' Quiz Night: 19:30hrs 27th November: Flu Vaccinations – whole school

8th December: FOES Bake Sale: Jeffers 13th December: Reception Vision Screening

14th December: Christmas Legend14th December: FOES Christmas Fayre

19th December: Christmas Songs/Class Performances

20th December: Award Assembly, Special Guest (fingers crossed), Lunch, Movie, Games,

**FOES Best Dressed** 

20th December: Redecoration: Phase 3

#### Spring 1

12th January: Riddell Class Assembly

19th January: Disco TBC

w/c 22<sup>nd</sup> January: Year 6 Assessments w/c 29<sup>th</sup> January: Year 3 4 5 Assessments 6<sup>th</sup> February: Safer Internet Day 2024

#### Spring 2

w/c 26th February: Year 1 & 2 Assessments

w/c 4th March: Year 6 Assessments

7th March: World Book Day Legend (dress as any character you like!) Book Club Event TBC

8th March: Year 1 & 2 Class Assembly

11th March: Queen Mother Handwriting Competition

12th March: DT Day: British Science Week

15th March: Big Red Nose Coin Drop (assembly) 15th March: Science Day: British Science Week

19th March: Parents Evening 3 20th Match: Parents Evening 4

23rd Maths: World Maths Day (Saturday) - celebrating 22nd March in school

26th March: PM Egg Rolling Competition

27th March: PM: Egg Decorating

28th March: Assembly & FOES Egg Hunt TBC

#### Summer 1

22<sup>nd</sup> April: Pool Opens TBC

26<sup>th</sup> April: Year R Class Assembly

w/c 13th May: KS2 SATS Week (Year 6)

17<sup>th</sup> May: FOES Disco: **TBC** 20<sup>th</sup> May: Healthy Week

w/c 20th May: Year 2 Assessments

24th May: Sports Day

#### Summer 2

w/c 10<sup>th</sup> June: Phonics Screening Check & Assessments (Year 1)

w/c 3<sup>rd</sup> June: Year 3, 4, 5 Assessments

Between 3<sup>rd</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> June: Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check

21st June: World Music Day

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> July: Bikeability (Year 5 & 6)

4th July: Sid the Cygnet's 4th Birthday: Geography Fieldwork & FOES Sponsored Walk: TBC

8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> July: Hilltop Residential (Year 5 & 6)

15<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup> July: Transition Week: **TBC** 17<sup>th</sup> July: EOY Reports released

19th July: Head's Award, Badges, FOES Best Dressed Summer Theme, Leavers Assembly

19th July: Year 6 Enterprise funded lunch: TBC

19th July: Year 6 Pool Party PM: TBC