Weekly Newsletter

06.10.2023



Upcoming Dates:

Monday: FOES Sponsored Dance: come to school in your PE kit, children.

Tuesday: World Mental Health Day. What will you do to support yours? Teachers will agree with the children to do a little something that works... both ways!

Friday: FOES Riddell Bake Sale after school in Hall – donations of cakes Thursday night and Friday morning from Riddell class if at all possible.

17 & 19th October: Parents' Evening – look out for bookable slots on Parent Mail next week.

Secondary School applications: Year 6 into 7

Reminder: Deadline is 31st October.

School Council 23/24 applications

Reminder of timeline: LINK

Macmillan Coffee Morning Afternoon

£173.41 raised for Macmillan Cancer Support.
Thank you to Caterlink, whose cooks from various kitchens & schools, all pitched in to make a different cake/cakes to provide at Earith's Coffee Afternoon.
What wonderful comradery – thank you, Caterlink.
Thank You to Zoe (our cook) and Carolyn; our parents, staff and children for supporting this worthwhile cause.





Scuba Diving Instructor Visit: Mr Orchard: KS2

Mr Orchard spoke about the many jobs he has had throughout his life and how, with knowledge, resilience and the right mind set, you can achieve your goals – despite a disability. Terry's passion is for scuba diving – he is now a scuba diving instructor, too! See more HERE

Where's Elizabeth (AKA Lizzie)?

Thankfully, in safe hands! Elizabeth has been a little under the weather; had a trip to the vets and is being nursed back to good health by the Dartford family. On behalf of the school community, thank you to the Dartfords and to all our chicken helpers (Becs, Loraine & Co) who – as usual – go above and beyond to ensure our chickens are well loved, fed and cared for generally. We all appreciate you so much.





Illness

It's that time of year: refresh yourselves with whether your child is too ill to attend school: LINK

Measles:

Measles cases are rising across the country, with over 102,000 children starting primary school in England being at risk of catching the disease. We are asking education settings to share key messages from the NHS about MMR / measles and how to get vaccinated.

The <u>Back to school MMR Guidance</u> from the NHS includes information to share, as well as example social media posts which can be found here: <u>NHS Vaccine Poster</u> and <u>NHS MMR Poster</u>.

Measles is highly infectious and if left unvaccinated nine out of ten children in a classroom can catch the disease if just one child is infectious. Please share these resources with colleagues, parents, and where suitable, community organisations to increase awareness and encourage parents to get their children vaccinated.



Learning Highlights of the Week

Highlight Jeffers:

This week Jeffers Class have been inspired by the book Kind by Alison Green. The children have identified different ways we can show kindness and it has been lovely to see them noticing when others have been kind to them.

Highlight Shireen:

Shireen class has enjoyed listening to a variety of songs in music this week. They have been listening carefully to hear the rhythm in the songs, and then clapping along to the pulse.

Highlight: Riddell



In Riddell Class this week, we have learned how to use the scale of a map to work out the distance between two locations; discovered how life changed for Britons in the Iron Age; used Roman Numerals to represent numbers; and creatively retold the escape scene from the bad guys. All of this topped off by a visit from Terry the Scuba Diver in what has been an incredibly fun and busy week!

Highlight: Gold

The highlight of the week has been the children's determination to solve complex mathematical problems. Not only have they been reflective in their approach, they have worked together to support and challenge each other. Well done, Gold Class.

Also practising our TT Rockstars tables.



Curriculum *



This week's Curriculum **Champions are:**









Elsie L

Riddell Class: Joshua, Amelia,

Lucas

Gold Class: Alfie, Aurelia, Aysha



Attendance Matters



Winning class for week ending 29.09.2023

Shireen Class: 100%

Whole School: 98.49%

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 1

9th October: FOES Sponsored Dance (PM in School): Parents, friends & family can support

by sponsoring children – forms to be released by FOES in advance.

10th October World Mental Health Day 13th October: FOES Bake Sale: Riddell

17th October: Parents Evening 1: 15:30 – 18:30 approx.: booking info to follow in due course

18th October: Hilltop Information Evening

19th October: Parents Evening 2: 15:30 – 18:30 approx.: booking info to follow in due course

20th October: Redecoration in school: phase 2 begins

Autumn 2

31st October: Spooky Legend (children may wear Halloween costumes to school)

31st October: Halloween Lunch 1st November: School Photographs

2nd November: Reception and Year 6 Heights and weights

3rd November: Gold Class Assembly 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 22nd January: Year 6 Assessments w/c 29th January: Year 3 4 5 Assessments 6th 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

22nd April: Pool Opens **TBC**

26th April: Year R Class Assembly w/c 13th May: KS2 SATS Week (Year 6)

17th May: FOES Disco: **TBC** 20th May: Healthy Week

w/c 20th May: Year 2 Assessments

24th May: Sports Day

Summer 2

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

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

Between 3rd – 14th June: Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check

21st June: World Music Day

1st & 2nd July: Bikeability (Year 5 & 6)

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

8th – 10th July: Hilltop Residential (Year 5 & 6)

15th -19th July: Transition Week: **TBC**

17th 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