

Newsletter No 36

23rd June 2023

Thank you

We would like to say a big thank you to everyone who donated to 'Scotty's Little Soldiers' this week. As a predominantly military community we feel it is important for us to support charities that are making a difference to the lives of military families across the UK. During assembly this week, our Chair of Governor's, Chris Chapman spoke to the children about his journey in the army and about the opportunities it gave him throughout his career, to give the children more insights into what it is our armed forces do. As a school we would like to extend our gratitude and appreciation to the serving community we work alongside.



ARMED FORCES DAY

It's been another exciting week in school, especially in year 5 where they were visited by the circus! The children had a wonderful time learning a range of circus skills and attempting a range of activities that were completely new to them.





Values - Appreciation

This week I spoke with the children about how our value of appreciation linked to our British Values. Here is one of their ideas:

'I think it links to **Tolerance and Mutual Respect** as you can't appreciate people without showing them respect.'

Safeguarding Update - WhatsApp

WhatsApp has a 16+ age restriction and therefore should not be used by children of primary age. There are a range of other similar messaging apps popular amongst teenagers but none of these are appropriate. Some apps can be used in "secret" mode so children can be communicating with strangers without anyone knowing. Please be responsible for monitoring your child's internet use at all times.

End of the Day

If you collect your children at the end of the day, please can you ensure that you arrive in good time. We have had a number of children collected after 3.10pm which has an impact on staff who have meetings or clubs at the end of the day.

Diary Dates - Advanced Notice

Please note the following up-coming diary dates:

- Monday 3rd July School Closed for Inset Day
- Tuesday 25th July Last Day of Term Early Finish

On the last day of term, the children finish at 1.10pm. There is no after school club on this day. Walk-home permission is as usual.

Term 6 Reading Challenge!

Reading at home is really important for children of all ages, therefore, we launched our Zouch reading challenge again. This began on **Monday 12th June** and will finish on **Friday 21st July**. The children will earn one tick per day for any home reads. Please note that if your child reads more than once in a day, it will still be just one tick ①. At the end of the challenge, if your child reads 15 times, they will be awarded a bronze certificate, 20 reads is a silver certificate and 25 or more is gold certificate! Good luck!



PE and Forest School Days:

Please ensure that children have the correct kit in school for their PE, Forest School and Swimming sessions.

We advise children bring their PE kit in on a Monday and take home on a Friday.

Class	PE	Forest School
Nursery	Daily Activity	Friday
YR (Robins and	Monday	Monday
Wrens)		
Y1 (Skylarks and	Thursday	
Nightingales)		
Y2 (Woodpeckers	Thursday	Tuesday
and Kingfishers)		
Y3 (Eagles and	Wednesday	Wednesday
Merlins)	Friday	
Y4 (Ospreys and	Wednesday	
Kestrels*)	Monday	
Y5 (Peregrines	Friday	Friday
and	Wednesday	
Sparrowhawks)		
Y6 (Tawny and	Tuesday	Thursday
Snowy Owls)	Friday	

Leaving Zouch Academy

If you are due to move away from the area and your child will be leaving Zouch Academy, please complete our leavers form available at the school office, as soon as possible.

This will enable us to collate your child's books and class work for their new school, it also informs us of the school we need to contact to forward on your child's information.

Breakfast Club Drop Off

We have been made aware some children are not being signed in to Breakfast Club by their adults.

Our numbers are very high for Breakfast Club and we do not always have capacity for extra children. Every child attending Breakfast Club **MUST** be signed in at the KS1 door by an adult. This is a safeguarding requirement.

Future dates for your diary:

Tuesday 27th June – Skylarks visit to Tidworth Library Summer School Disco! KS1 5.00-5.45pm KS2 6.00-6.45pm

Wednesday 28th June - Virtual Book Fair

Monday 3rd July – Teacher Training Day, School Closed to pupils

Tuesday 4th July – Osprey Recorder Concert to Parents at 2.30pm KS2 Hall

Tuesday 4th July - Virtual Book Fair

Wednesday 5th July - Sports Day

Tuesday 11th July – Kestrel Recorder Concert to Parents at 2.30pm KS2 Hall

Thursday 13th July – Reception trip to The Watercress Line

Tuesday 18th July – Year 4 Jungle Johnathan

Thursday 20th July – Year 3 Dance Performance 9.15AM

Thursday 20th July – Year 6 Leavers Performance 2PM Year 6 Leavers Disco 5PM

Friday 21st July - Year 6 Leavers Assembly 2PM

Tuesday 25th July – End of Summer Term, Finish at 13.10pm