Dear Parents/ Carers,

It has been a lovely first week back in school, despite the rain! We were delighted with how all children have settled back into the new term with lots of exciting new topics being taught - please do look at your child's curriculum forecasts on our website to see further details.

One highlight this week was our Year Five children participating in Bikeability training over 4 days and receiving excellent feedback with regard to their behaviour and the respect they showed in learning these vital road safety skills. Another highlight was the Year Four Anglo-Saxon day, led by an external specialist, where the children were able to get hands-on with weapons, shields and artefacts to launch their new history topic.

We had an external visitor in school this week from North Northamptonshire Council to review our Reception provision and she was highly complimentary about our learning environments, teaching and the behaviour and engagement of the children as they work towards their Early Learning Goals. We received some very positive feedback from this visit which confirmed that children here are getting a great start to their learning journey.

Thank you to everyone who has supported the School Council's mufti day today by bringing in a donation and / or contributing cakes to the bake sale which took place in glorious sunshine! We will announce the final total raised next week and we are welcoming a representative from the air ambulance into school in a couple of weeks to learn how our fundraising will be spent and a bit more about the work of the Air Ambulance.

NEWS ALERT: Lots of cakes leftover! These will be on-sale Monday after school again for 20p and 50p – all money will be added to the Air Ambulance total.

Reading winners

Congratulations to Beech class who were our KS2 class reading champions this week and were awarded extra playtime. Our randomly selected individual winners of a book prize this week were Fletcher and Jan who read five times at home and had their planners signed by an adult. Please continue to support good reading habits at home – leading up to and beyond World Book Day next week!

Year Six secondary school allocations

Our Year Six children found out today which secondary school they have been allocated for September and we believe nearly all are very happy with their allocation. This year sees the majority of our Y6 children being allocated Wollaston Academy (41 children), with Wrenn Academy second (12 children), Weavers Academy third (6 children). Single figures were also allocated to other schools: Bishop Stopford, Northampton School, Northampton School for Boys, Northampton School for Girls and Kingsthorpe Community College.

If any Y6 parents / carers would like to discuss this further – please contact us and we will support in any way we can.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend. Miss Lally

Diary dates for this term

Friday 1st March – Mufti Day
Thursday 7th March – World Book Day
Friday 22nd March 3.45pm – Junior choir concert
Tuesday 26th March – Y1 trip to Woburn
Wednesday 27th March – PTA Easter egg raffle

Thursday 28th March – End of term A reminder that details of school events can be found on our website, <u>here</u>.

Letters home this week

Curriculum overviews – individual year groups
Easter experience volunteer request – Y3 only
Helper request for Woburn Safari trip – Y1 only
Request for help at the cake stall – School Councilors only
Mufti day for Air Ambulance reminder
Secondary school allocations – Y6 only
Anglo-Saxon day reminder – Y4 only
Kingswood order reminder
Please find the latest edition of Families Northants magazine here.

Attachments

Top tips- Bullying