

Friday 11th January 2019

Weekly Newsletter

I would like to welcome you back and hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas break and wish everyone a Happy New Year! The children have obviously had great fun and have quickly settled back to work. We welcome Jessica to Year 1, Miss Rebecca Davies, our new Reception Teacher and our new Early Years Practitioner, Miss Pia Tucker begins next week. Sadly next week is Mrs Aldridge's last week and our new swimming teacher, Miss Alex Lawrence will be in school on Monday to meet the children.

Snow and School Closure:

The weather forecasters do talk of possible snow towards the end of January. Should it snow to such an extent that the school would shut, which is very unlikely but possible, the decision will be put on the school website, a message will be sent via ParentMail and a notification will also be posted on our Facebook page. Please check for this as a headline in the section named '**Parents**' then '**Diary Dates**'. **If there is no message, then the school is open.** On the subject of cold weather please do remember that your child always needs a coat with them.

Clubs:

Invoices for clubs will be applied to ParentMail accounts towards the end of next week to allow for any changes that might need to be made.

Fosse Association:

The next meeting is on Friday 18th January in the music room and I hope those able to attend can help plan for the future and enjoy a cup of coffee/tea. All are very welcome.

A new 'Learning Muscle':

Last year we practised Courage (to try new things), Resilience, and Reflection. Last term the theme was Kindness and although the children are naturally kind to each other it was a good opportunity for acts of kindness to be noticed and celebrated. We have started this term with Responsibility as the focus and the children have already been discussing what this means to them and how they can be responsible people. With this in mind we would like children from years 3 to 6 to take themselves into school in the morning and hang up their own belongings. We appreciate that children below Year 3 may need help on the days when they have a lot of bags to carry. Happily, now that we have a 'welly shed' there is more space in the conservatory.

Uniform and Responsibility: I know it is a cause of great frustration to parents and teachers when items of clothing go missing. This cannot be vanishing into thin air so I can only think that some children must have uniform belonging to others. Please would you check regularly that your child has their own named clothing, and if you find unnamed clothes send these to the school office.

Art Project: Can I commend to you the phonics meetings for parents on 17th January for Kindergarten to Year 2, on 24th January Reading with your child for parents of Y2-6, both at 8.00-8.45am, and an Internet

Safety, and Creative Art Project Parent information evening with Dr Buchalter on 31st January which is also time for a social gathering over a glass of wine.

Music lessons:

Unusually the instrumental teachers have some spaces available for singing / flute / guitar / drums / violin / cello from Year 3 upwards and for piano Year 2 upwards. If you are interested in your child having lessons please do contact Mrs Ashworth via rashworth@fossebankschool.co.uk.

Wednesday 16th January sees our first sporting fixture of the year with netball against St James' Tunbridge Wells. An email has been sent if your daughter has a place on the team and the list is on the board in the conservatory.

Thursday 17th November is our Read Write Inc session for parents from 8.00am – 8.45am followed by the Y5 Class assembly at 9.00am.

Please be aware there is no Holiday Club available for the February half term so you will need to make alternative arrangements if required. The school will be having a new door security system fitted in this week. Please can we remind parents that children should be dropped off in the morning via the conservatory and the front door should only be used for late arrivals (after 8.50am) or early collections. Please remember to sign your child in at the office if they arrive late.

Finally, just a polite reminder that, unless dropping off at the roundabout, parents need to park in the main school car park for drop off / pick-ups so that we can ensure the safety of children at all times. Your help with this would be much appreciated.

Best wishes

Alison Cordingley
Headmistress

Diary Dates for the future

Wednesday 23 rd January	U11/10 Tag Rugby v Beechwood (away)	2.00pm – 4.30pm
Wednesday 23 rd January	U11/10 netball (home) St. James	2.30pm – 4.00pm
Thursday 24 th January	Reading with your child - parents of Y2-6 invited	8.00am – 8.45am
Thursday 24 th January	Assembly – Y4 (parents invited)	9.00am
Friday 25 th January	Celebration Assembly – Y2	1.20pm
Tuesday 29 th January	Young voices concert (Y4-6)	11.00am – 10.00pm
Wednesday 30 th January	U11/10 Tag rugby v Solefield (Away)	2.00pm – 4.30pm
Thursday 31 st January	U9/8 Netball v St Micheals (away)	2.00pm – 4.30pm
Thursday 31 st January	Internet safety and Dr Buchalter parents info evening	6.30pm – 8.00
Friday 1 st February	Celebration assembly – Y3	1.20pm
Wednesday 6 th February	U11/10 Tag Rugby v Hilden Oaks (away)	2.00pm – 4.30pm
Thursday 7 th February	E-safety assembly (Safer internet day 5/2/19)	9.00am
Friday 8 th February	Celebration assembly – Y6	1.20pm



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11 th - 15 th February	Open Week	
Wednesday 13 th February	U11/10 Netball v Hilden Grange (away)	2.00pm – 4.30pm
Thursday 14 th February	House meetings	9.00am
Thursday 14 th February	U9/8 Tag Rugby v Hilden Grange (away)	2.00pm – 4.30pm
Thursday 14 th February	U9/8 Netball v Hilden Grange (home)	2.30pm – 4.00pm
Friday 15 th February	Term 3 ends	
18 th – 22 nd February	Half Term (no Holiday club available)	
Monday 25 th February	Term 4 starts	
Tuesday 26 th February	Hilden Grange Cross-Country Trophy (Y3 / Y4)	2.30pm – 4.00pm
Wednesday 27 th February	U10/11 Rugby v Radnor (home)	2.30pm – 4.00pm
Thursday 28 th February	House meetings	9.00am
Thursday 28 th February	U8/9 Netball v The Mead (away)	2.00pm – 4.30pm
Thursday 28 th February	U9/8 Tag Rugby v Hilden Oaks (home)	2.30pm – 4.00pm
Friday 1 st March	Celebration assembly	1.20pm
Tuesday 5 th March	Shrove Tuesday (suggested Farmers Market pancake event for EY)	
Tuesday 5 th March	Bring Books to life workshop	2.00pm – 3.45pm
Thursday 7 th March	Y3 class assembly (parents invited)	9.00am
Thursday 7 th March	U9/8 Netball v Russell House (home)	2.30pm – 4.00pm
Thursday 7 th March	U9/8 Tag Rugby v The Mead (home)	2.30pm – 4.00pm
Friday 8 th March	Celebration assembly – Y4	9.00am
Wednesday 13 th March	Tag rugby v Somerhill (home)	2.00pm – 4.30pm
Thursday 14 th March	House meetings	9.00am
Thursday 14 th March	U8/9 Netball v Hilden Oaks (away)	2.00pm – 4.30pm
Friday 15 th March	Celebration assembly – Y5	1.20pm
Friday 15 th March	Comic Relief	
Friday 15 th March	Y3 trip to Buckingham Palace	9.00am – 3.30pm
Friday 15 th March	Fosse Association Quiz Night	7.30pm
Friday 20 th March	U11/10 Netball v Russell House (away)	2.00pm – 4.30pm
Friday 20 th March	U11/10 Tag Rugby v Hilden Oaks (home)	2.30pm – 4.00pm
Thursday 21 st March	Reception Class assembly (parents invited)	9.00am
Thursday 21 st March	U9/8 Tag Rugby v Hilden Oaks (home)	2.30pm – 4.00pm
Friday 22 nd March	Y5 Trip to the Science Museum	
Friday 22 nd March	Celebration assembly	1.20pm
Monday 25 th March	Fairtrade fortnight starts	
Wednesday 27 th March	Sports Assembly	1.20pm – 2.20pm
Thursday 28 th March	Easter Service at the church	9.00am
Friday 29 th March	Celebration assembly	
Friday 29 th March	Term 4 ends	
Friday 29 th March	Fosse Association – Easter Activities	
1 st – 18 th April	Fosse Holiday club	
23 rd April	Inset day (staff training)	
24 th April	Term 5 starts	
Friday 3 rd May	Y3/4 Living Lands at Detling	9.00am – 3.30pm
Tuesday 7 th May	Y1 Chiddingstone Castle Literacy Festival	9.00am – 3.30pm
Wednesday 8 th May	Y2 Habitat trip to Igham Mote	9.00am – 3.30pm
20 th – 24 th May	Y5/6 French trip	
10 th – 14 th June	Inca assessment week	



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Wednesday 12 th June	Y2 Homefront trip to Igtham Mote	9.00am – 3.30pm
Friday 21 st June	Y2-5 Kidenza Concert	1.00pm – 3.30pm
Friday 28 th June	Campover and Summer Fair (Fossetival)	
Friday 1 st November	Fosse Association – Disco and Treasure Hunt	
Saturday 24 th November	Fosse Association – Christmas Market	