

Friday 21st March 2019

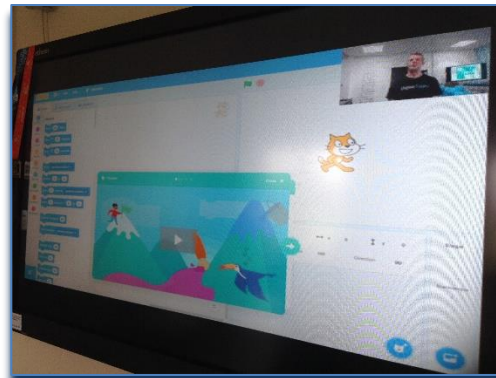
Weekly Newsletter

Last April as many of you will know, Mrs Palmer joined the Early Years Team as Nursery Manager. Asked to come here initially to update our provision for our two to four year olds, she has been unstoppable in her dedication to the children, working very long hours to make sure all is perfect and ready for the little ones. Mrs Palmer also set up Holiday Club with particular responsibility for the youngest children, but also arranging activities for the older children too. I am sad to say that Mrs Palmer, having set up a now thriving Early Years department will be leaving us in July. That is a long time away but I am letting you know as I shall be advertising for a new person today. This will give me long enough to find a worthy replacement. I would like to take this opportunity to thank her for making a difference at Fosse Bank.

Monday 18th March was our Kindergarten, Reception Year 1 and Year 2 swimming gala. Everyone swam fantastically well and a special mention needs to be given to the children from Kindergarten who took part for the first time. In first place was Scotney, followed by Hever, Penshurst and Chartwell. Well done to everyone involved.

Tuesday 19th March Benjamin and Darcey from Y3 and Amrit and Fletcher from Y4 attended a 'Maths is Fun Event' at Stocks Green Primary. Benjamin writes, 'Mr Hall was a funny man who played maths tricks on the people who came. He was very good at maths and very cheeky. We played lots of games including who wants to be a millionaire [maths version] and we had jigsaws'. Darcey said, 'the hardest question was the one where the car was on a number and you had to guess the number but the numbers were upside down. It was a great experience'.

On **Wednesday 20th March** Years 3 and 4 have spent the morning working with Barclay's Digital Eagles in a live session of 'playground Code'. The children created their own language programs on Scratch using elements such as Scratch Translate and learned how to debug their programs.



Wednesday also saw our U11/10 Netball team play the last match of the season against Russell House. They played two matches against some tough and well drilled opposition. Emily O and Lydia were brilliant in defence, Minty showed great dedication to the team, even playing with an injury, and despite Emily R falling in the warm up, she bravely battled on at centre. Both matches were lost but everyone on the team showed how much they have improved through the season and Mr Tipler was very proud of their positive attitude.

Thursday 21st March was Reception's first assembly! They have been learning about The Gruffalo and learnt the whole story off by heart for their assembly. Using Pie Corbett's 'talk for write' they used a storyboard and actions to memorise each line. Miss Davies said she could not be prouder because they all did their best and had fun in the process.



On Thursday our U9/8 rugby team travelled to Leigh Primary School to take part in a joint training/game session with Leigh and Hilden Oaks. The team played against both schools, and showed excellent skills in both attack and defence. No one player stood out, as all of the boys performed brilliantly. A brilliant end to a really good season of rugby.

On **Friday 22nd April** the Y5 class has the opportunity to visit the Science Museum to enrich their learning this term on the topic of Earth and Space. They also had the chance to watch an IMAX film entitled 'Beautiful Planet'.



Next week is the last of the term and there is a lot going on:

Clubs – it has now been decided there will be no clubs next week with the exception of Orchestra and Recorder club as they need to practise for the concert.

Sports Assembly – This assembly on Wednesday starts at 1.20pm and all badges and certificates will be issued to children. Please would you log into ParentMail and clear any outstanding invoices for swimming badges.

Inter-house Tag Rugby – Straight after the Sports Assembly, on Wednesday afternoon is the inter-house tag rugby competition for Years 3-6. Do come along and support the children if you can. Please note that children will need their own rugby boots in order to take part.

Parents Evening – this is taking place on Wednesday from 4.00pm – 8.00pm. If you have not already booked a space to see your child's teacher please log into ParentMail and visit the Parent's Evening section.

Inter-house Cross Country – Thursday afternoon Reception to Year 6 will be taking part in this competition. Once again do come along if you would like to cheer the children on. It starts at 2.00pm with Year 5 and 6 setting off first, followed by 3 and 4 at 2.20pm, Year 2 at 2.45pm and finally Year 1 and Reception at 3.00pm.

Easter Church Service – Y2-6 will visit Hildenborough Church on Thursday morning for an Easter Service. They will leave at 9.00am and will be back in school just after 10.00am.

Easter Activities – once again the Fosse Association are kindly hosting another afternoon of fun on the last day of term. Children take part in their house groups in a series of activities involving an egg hunt, Easter themed crafts, outdoor games and afternoon tea of cakes and squash. If you are able to offer any help please let your class rep know. Parents are asked if they can donate homemade or shop bought cakes and these can be left in the conservatory at drop off on 29th March 2019.

There are still some Holiday Club payments outstanding and the deadline for clearing these is **Thursday 28th March**. Please do remember that you let the School Office know when you planning to use Childcare Vouchers or payments from a Government Gateway (Tax Free Childcare) account to clear these invoices. There are also invoices applied for trips and we would draw your attention to these and to check your child's account.

The deadline for club bookings has now closed and we will be advising next week who has been allocated which club. Exciting news is our new cheerleading coach, Poppy, has gained a placed in the World Championships and because of this her club will start a week later on 8th May. All other clubs will start w/c 29th April.

Year 3 are having their violin lesson on Monday afternoon not Friday just next, so please can everyone remember to bring in their instruments.

Best wishes

Alison Cordingley
Headmistress

Diary Dates for the future

1 st – 18 th April	Fosse Holiday club	
23 rd April	Inset day (staff training)	
24 th April	Summer Term starts	
Friday 26 th April	Sackville Cross County Competition	2.00pm – 4.00pm
Wednesday 1 st May	U10/11 Girls cricket v The Mead (Home)	2.30pm – 4.00pm
Thursday 2 nd May	Y3/4 Living Lands at Detling	9.00am – 3.30pm
Friday 3 rd May	Fosse Association Meeting	9.00am – 9.30am
Friday 3 rd May	Y6 Bikeability	9.00am – 3.30pm
Tuesday 7 th May	Y6 Bikeability	9.00am – 3.30pm
Wednesday 8 th May	Y6 Bikeability	9.00am – 3.30pm
Wednesday 8 th May	Y2 Habitat trip to Ightham Mote	9.00am – 3.30pm
Wednesday 15 th May	U11/10 Boys Cricket v Beechwood (away)	2.00pm – 4.00pm
Thursday 16 th May	Poetry Recital	9.00am – 10.00am
Thursday 16 th May	U8/9 Girls Cricket v Russell House (home)	2.30pm – 4.00pm
20 th – 24 th May	Y5/6 French trip	
27 th – 31 st May	Half term	
Thursday 23 rd May	Girls Cricket v The Mead (away)	2.00pm – 4.00pm
Wednesday 5 th June	U11/10 Girls Cricket v Russell House (away)	2.00pm – 4.00pm
10 th – 14 th June	Inca assessment week	
Tuesday 11 th June	Individual music concert	9.00am – 10.00am
Wednesday 12 th June	Y2 Homefront trip to Igtham Mote	9.00am – 3.30pm
Thursday 13 th June	U9/8 Boys Cricket v Hilden Grange (away)	2.00pm – 4.00pm
Wednesday 19 th June	Class and Sports Team photos	
Friday 21 st June	Y2-5 Kidenza Concert	1.00pm – 3.30pm
Wednesday 26 th June	Sports Day	9.30am – 3.00pm
Wednesday 26 th June	U11/10 Boys Cricket v Hilden Grange (home)	2.30pm – 4.00pm
Thursday 27 th June	U9/8 Girls Cricket v Beechwood (home)	2.30pm – 4.00pm
Friday 28 th June	Campover and Summer Fair 'Fossetival)	
Monday 1 st July	School production dress rehearsal	9.00am – 12.00pm
Tuesday 2 nd July	School production – matinee performance	2.00pm – 3.30pm
Wednesday 3 rd July	School production – evening performance	6.30pm – 8.00pm
Thursday 4 th July	Reserve Sports Day (if other day rained off)	
Wednesday 10 th July	School Disco	3.00pm – 6.30pm
Thursday 11 th July	Prize-giving	2.00pm – 3.30pm
Friday 12 th July	Leavers assembly (parents invited)	9.00am – 10.00am
Friday 12 th July	End of Summer Term	
Friday 1 st November	Fosse Association – Disco and Treasure Hunt	
Saturday 24 th November	Fosse Association – Christmas Market	