

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2018

## Weekly Newsletter

Thank you for the loan of your children last Saturday afternoon for Open Day which was very busy with visitors who particularly loved seeing the children excited about their maths. This week, advertised as Open Week, has also been busy. Today we had five families visiting and two little girls were so keen that they stayed for lunch and cried when they had to leave the playground. As one parent said, “she seems to have made the decision”.

Harvest Festival has taken place this week and we have been overwhelmed by the generosity of your donations. These have been gifted to the Bridge Trust / Nourish Food Bank and will be distributed to those people who really need help. Children met Mr John Hedley from the Bridge Trust in assembly today who gave them a better understanding of the challenges faced by homeless people. Thank you to everyone who made a donation – it is greatly appreciated.

On **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September** we held our French Café in aid of the Macmillan Coffee morning. Year 6 were on hand to provide tea / coffee and pastries to parents and friends and did a sterling job! All the Fosse children received hot chocolate and pain au chocolat in return for a donation of £1. In total we raised **£162.45**.

On Wednesday the U11 football team played against Radnor House; they played with great gusto but unfortunately the other team won on this occasion. Better luck next time!

On Thursday The Under 11/Under 10 team played Hilden Grange played at football and won 3-1. Congratulations to the whole team and Charlie Bagwell in particular as Man of the Match. The Under 9/Under 8 team also won their match 4-3 against Hilden Grange and Eric Lindgreen was Man of the Match. A fantastic result and the team showed such good camaraderie and manners that parents of the opposing team told me how gentlemanly our boys were! I was very proud of all the players.



The School Photographer will be with us on **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October** for individual school portraits. Full winter uniform is required (but not hats) and if the weather is kind we will be outside. If not we will be in the Music Room! We will start with Little Fosse and Kindergarten and all parents of our youngest children who are not normally in school on Tuesday morning are welcome to come and stay with their children until their slot. We will then work our way up through the school year by year. Sibling groups will also have their pictures taken.

Parents Evening for Reception to Year 6 is taking place on **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October**. The booking system is live on ParentMail and if you have not booked already please do so by Monday to ensure you do not miss out on this opportunity to see your child's teacher. If you have any problems accessing the system please speak with Miss Greener in the School Office. Please note that Construction and Football clubs are cancelled but all other clubs remain unchanged – Phoenix club will be available if necessary. Please email the team at [phoenix@fossebankschool.co.uk](mailto:phoenix@fossebankschool.co.uk) if you wish to make a booking.

The booking form for October Holiday Club is now live on ParentMail. Please choose the days you would like and ensure you complete the form by **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October** in order to provide us enough time to make the necessary staff arrangements. A payment will then be applied to your ParentMail account in due course. In order to see the forms and payments section of ParentMail you do need to have connected your account. If you need another registration link to be sent, please contact Miss Greener in the School Office.

With Grandparents Day landing on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October this year we have decided to hold our own celebration tea and cake session on the afternoon of **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October** from 2.30pm – 3.30pm. Grandparents (or an adult family member) are welcome to join us for some refreshments and then tour of the school with their grandchild. Please would you complete the form under the Meetings & Events section of ParentMail so we know how many people to expect and ensure we have enough cake!

Just a reminder that the Year 3-6 swimming gala is taking place on **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October** from 2.00pm – 4.00pm, with all children participating. It promises to be an exciting competition and spectators and siblings are most welcome to attend. Siblings remaining in afternoon lessons on this day may join Phoenix Club free of charge until 4.20pm – please remember to register for this in advance of the day by emailing [phoenix@fossebankschool.co.uk](mailto:phoenix@fossebankschool.co.uk). Children will require two swimming towels on the day (one to keep warm and the other with which to dry themselves) and they will be transported to the event. We are asking parents to collect their children from Tonbridge pool however if your child is due to attend Phoenix Club and needs transporting back to school, please make the School Office aware and we can ensure they are brought back via the school minibus.

A lost property shout-out for Year 5! They have a missing blazer (which disappeared after football on Tuesday), a blazer, a jumper and a shoe! Please would you check your children's uniform over the weekend and see if you have anything that resembles this list, and return it to the school office if you have. Thank you.

Can I commend Wealden Times to you this week in particular, with a lovely portrait of a Fosse Bank princess.

Finally, as you are aware, the school building and the marquee often plays host to weddings and events throughout the year when we are not using it. Now that Fosse Bank is open fifty weeks per year the Governors and I have made the decision to give notice. Weddings etc. will not be held at Fosse after the current academic year.

Best wishes

Alison Cordingley  
Headmistress

## Diary Dates

Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> October	Y3 swim at Tonbridge pool (Y6 at Fosse) pre-gala
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	Recital by individual musicians – 4.00pm to 5.00pm
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	U10/U11 Football v Hilden Oaks (home) – 2.30pm
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Y6 Class Assembly (parents invited) – 9.00am
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Kent Test results sent by email to parents
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	U8/U9 Netball v Beechwood (home) – 2.30pm
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Y3-6 Swimming Gala at Tonbridge School pool – 2.00pm – 4.00pm
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Term 1 ends
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> October	Foss Holiday Club
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> October	School reopens