

17 September 2021

Dear Parents,

This week the school feels a lot more settled into once familiar routines. Today has been strange as there are strains of Christmas carols coming from classrooms where children are preparing Christmas cards for production! The cards I have seen so far have been beautifully executed.

This morning the Fosse Association held the AGM and it was good to see so many people, and in particular, so many willing parents with novel ideas. I know the FA will be sending out information about plans for this year. These activities are so good for the children and for the community as well as for raising money.

Please do look out for Fosse Association information about using sites that donate to Fosse Bank when you shop online. Amazon Smile is flooded with my orders both for school and personal purchases. It is effortless and raises a lot of money.

On 24th September there will be a MacMillan Coffee morning to be held in the gazebo/conservatoire/music room for parents. This will begin as soon as the children are in school, so about 8.45 am. This charity obviously missed out on many events last year so it would be good to support them. The children will be offered drinks and pain au chocolate at break time for a suggested donation of 50p-£1.00 (an opportunity to use that change that you have had since March 2020?) We will have a MacMillan collection box available at drop off for these donations.

The children will celebrate Harvest on 5th October. The local foodbank has asked for our help and a list of suggested items is attached. If any donations could be brought to school on 4th or 5th, the children will display them for the celebration on Tuesday.

A number of parents attended a workshop with Mrs Bailey about Zones of Requirement this week and attached is a link to a recording should you wish to find out more about this scheme. It has already made an impact on many of the children.



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We have had a few children off school with colds this week. Thank you for getting them tested, it is comforting for staff, pupils and parents to know that these are just colds. You do not have to have your child tested, you know your children and their colds, but testing can be a useful precaution. Where there is a positive case we will continue to let parents of children in that pod know, so you can be vigilant.

Aware that the car park is quite crowded at times, we will shortly be returning to the 'kiss and drop' turning circle in front of the school as an alternative to parking.

Like many firms, Horncastles are low on some school uniform stocks, caps and navy sports tops in particular, so do not worry if your child is not yet fully Fosse attired.

Thank you for all your good wishes as I hobble about. Just a sprain and your children have been exceedingly kind and helpful to me this week.

I hope you all have a good weekend,

Best wishes,

Alison Cordingley.

Miss Alison Cordingley
Headmistress



Mrs Baumhauer's tortoise enjoying our grounds

Year 5 trip to Kent Police Open Day



Last week we Year 5 children were lucky to attend the Schools Kent Police Open Day in Maidstone. Throughout the day, we talked with various Police departments about the law, the work they do, consequences involved in law and other aspects of policing.

We asked lots of questions and learned about finding and gathering evidence, training police dogs, data investigations, border police, firearms. We even had a custody tour and were shut in cells!

The Police Dogs were very smart and some of them could sniff out SIM cards and others were trained to attack criminals. Police dogs are one year old when they start their training and between seven and nine years old when they retire. We met Oakley and Piper.

We could not believe ways in which people hide things to bring into the country. Border Control police showed us all the modern day object criminals could use to hide cigarettes, such as in cool boxes, tubes, planks of wood and bread!



It was a brilliant day. By Year 5

Flu Vaccination – 3.11.21

Information was emailed today regarding the school Immunisation Service coming into school to vaccinate children in Years R-6. Please ensure online consent is completed before 29.10.21 if you would like your child to receive the nasal spray. If do not wish your child to be vaccinated your child, please still complete the online consent giving your reason for their research.

News from The Fosse Association

This morning's AGM was well attended and very successful in setting out our plan for the next year. Minutes of the meeting will be circulated soon.

A very big thank you to Russell Long & Melanie Chang for volunteering to join the FA committee. I'm sure with their help, 2021/22 will be a fantastic year for parents, staff & especially the children.

We have a number of exciting events planned for this term. Some old favourites like the Pumpkin Treat Trail and coffee morning and also some new ideas for a Christmas Car-Boot decorating competition.

We welcome more volunteers, so if you would like to get involved in any way, please let one of the FA committee or your Class Rep know.

Some of the FA committee will be at next Friday's MacMillan coffee morning, and we look forward to chatting face to face again.

Reminder - Deadline for the Calendar Cover competition is **8th October**.

Best wishes,
the FA Committee