



OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
Fringford C.E. Primary School
Headteacher Mr F Pastore

NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2020

Message from the Headteacher

It is hard to believe that we already find ourselves half way through the school year! We have had a busy year so far and this will continue as we move into the second half of the year, with lots still to look forward to.

I hope that you all enjoy a lovely half-term holiday with your friends and families and we look forward to welcoming you back next week.

Willow Dome

We now have our own willow dome and tunnel for the children to explore when the weather improves.

We are extremely grateful to FoFS who have funded the project.



House Points



2812



3376



3018

Value of the Month

This month we will be discussing the value of 'Resilience' with the children.

Resilience

Teachers will be awarding stamps and 'Values Certificates' to the children who demonstrate our values in and around the school.

"Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you."

Isaiah 41:10

Dates for your diary

February

- 17th to 21st **Spring Half-Term** – School closed
- 24th Children back to school
- 24th Class Photos
- 27th SIAMS Focus Group meeting

March

- 11th Funday School
- 13th Non-Uniform in exchange for a Mother's Day Gift
- 17th Heights & Measures – School Nurse visit - Reception and Year 6 only
- 18th Woodpecker Class trip to Chiltern Museum
- 20th Mothers Day Gift Shop
- 24th Rocksteady Music Concert 9.30am
- 26th Easter Service

April

- 1st Life Bus visit
- 2nd Life Bus visit
- 3rd FoFS Easter Egg Hunt
- 3rd Last day of term

Cold & Wet Weather

Please ensure that your child has the appropriate clothing for breaks, lunches and also travelling to and from school. This includes a suitable pair of school shoes and full school uniform.

Sports for Champions Visit

Last week we welcomed Ezekiel Ewulo, GB athlete, to Fringford. He led an inspirational assembly and helped the children with their circuits. Afterwards, everyone agreed Ezekiel was one of the best visitors we've ever had to the school.



School Clubs

At Fringford, we are very proud of the quality of our extra-curricular provision. This term we are happy to offer:

Monday	Football, Yoga, Play Active with Premier
Tuesday	Rock Steady, Happy & Whole, Play Active with Premier
Wednesday	Action & Adventure, Play Active with Premier
Thursday	Year 6s SATs booster, Multi Sports, Play Active with Premier
Friday	Gymnastics, Play Active with Premier, Oxford Music Service

Please contact the office should you have any questions or queries regarding any of our clubs.



Message from our Chair of Governors

I would like to thank FoFS for their continued fundraising on behalf of the school which has seen them make donations towards school trips and the new willow structure in the sensory garden. Without their effort the children would not be able to benefit from exciting new experiences. Also, thank you to all the parents who have supported Starling Class by baking and buying cakes which has been a huge success and the children have really entered into this with enthusiasm. So a big thank you to you all and I hope you all have an enjoyable half-term.

Big Bird Watch

Earlier in the term our resident ornithologist, Mrs Wills, organised our Big Bird Watch. I was very impressed with the number of pupils who took part. Here are some of our Starling Class birdwatchers.



Safer Internet Day

Last week, we celebrated Safer Internet Day. Digital technologies provide us with a world of possibilities at our fingertips. Never before have we enjoyed so many opportunities to learn, exchange, participate and create. Yet, the internet also opens up certain risks to its users – especially the most vulnerable ones, such as children: privacy concerns, cyberbullying, disinformation, exposure to potentially harmful content and predatory behaviours, to quote but a few. To continue this very important conversation at home we recommend you visit:

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2020>

Reading Raffle Winners

Our latest reading raffle winners are Martha, Jon and Anna.

For your child to be in with a chance of winning next time, simply make sure they read every day.



Relationship and Health Education

Earlier in the year, staff attended a briefing on the coming changes to the relationship and health curriculum which becomes statutory in September 2020. Our next steps include completing the draft policy and circulating this for parent feedback and governor approval. If you would like to join a focus group to assist in this process, please contact the school office.

Idling and Considerate Parking

A reminder to our school community to park considerately in the village, avoiding parking on the green if possible. The ground is very soft and churned up as a result of all this wet weather we've been having.

Also, we recognise it is cold, but please switch your car engines off whilst you are dropping off or collecting. Thank you.

