

Dear parents and carers,

Friday 30 September 2022, forthcoming events for the week commencing Monday 3 October 2022			
Monday	3.10.22	8am-9am 11.45am 3.30pm-6pm 6.45pm-9.15pm	Breakfast club Guitar and ukulele lessons After school club Brackley Sea Cadets in the hall
Tuesday	4.10.22	8am-9am 10am-midday 1.30pm 3.30pm-6pm 6.30pm-7.30pm	Breakfast club Funkeys music lessons Brass instrument music lessons After school club SNYE Year 5 and 6 Youth Club
Wednesday	5.10.22	8am-9am 3.30pm-6pm 4pm-8pm	Breakfast club After school club Sensei Lee's Karate Club
Thursday	6.10.22	8am-9am 9am-10am 3.30pm-4.30pm 3.30pm-6pm	Breakfast club Year 4 string lessons begin Young Voices Choir practice with Mrs Meadows and Mrs Verey After school club
Friday	7.10.22	8am-9am Lunchtime 1.30pm 3.30pm-4.30pm 3.30pm-6pm	Breakfast club Hotshots lunchtime basketball club for year 3-6 String instrument music lessons After school football club with Brackley Town After school club

Ecosia – what is it?

This week our whole school assemblies have focused on the global environment. As part of our assembly on Monday we discussed how planting trees is really important across the world and looked a project in Brazil who are using the help of indigenous tribes to replant an entire forest (73,000 acres of trees) of the course of the next decade. I then explained to the children they can help; they may have may come home talking about something called Ecosia. It's a search engine, like Google, but unlike Google it uses the profits it makes from its search to plant trees around the world. Each time you search for something you buy a tree that can be planted somewhere in the world as part of one of their projects. The children were fascinated and I explained that we would be changing our default search engine in school from Google to Ecosia so we can see how many trees we can help to plant. Today we looked in detail at some of the projects that Ecosia is helping focussing on two projects in particular. Again, the children were fascinated that a simple and small change in habits, not using Google but using Ecosia instead, can have a such a massive impact around the world. They were so blown away by the projects that they are helping they spontaneously broke into applause for themselves at the end of assembly, something that has never happened in any of my assemblies before. You can find out more about Ecosia here and I would strongly suggest that this becomes your default search engine when using the internet. The children are very keen to get as many trees planted as possible. You can start your tree planting by using this page www.ecosia.org or to find out where your trees are being planted visit this page <https://blog.ecosia.org/tag/where-does-ecosia-plant-trees/>

PUPIL PREMIUM FUNDING – ARE YOU ELIGIBLE?

You will be aware that for every student who qualifies for pupil premium funding the school receives extra funds which must be spent to support that student's education. The more parents check to see if they are eligible, the more potential funding we get. Each eligible child could be bringing in as much as £1385 each, some children might qualify for more, up to £2410 each. This extra funding makes such a difference in school but we, as a school, can't

apply for it, we need you as parents to check to see if you're eligible using the link on the second page of this newsletter. Below I have listed who might be eligible and what we can use their funding on but the best to check is to use the online form. Please check and thank you!

If you are eligible then you could be entitled to receive this additional financial support for your child's education

As part of this, we will provide:

- Help towards costs for peripatetic clubs for your child (music or sports)
- Help with costs for wraparound care at breakfast club/after school club
- Educational school trips and visits paid for (plus a contribution towards all residential trips)
- The remaining funds will go towards supporting your child's academic progress within school

Pupil premium payments are available to pupils in receipt of, or whose parents are in receipt of, one or more of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on – paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

Please use the online form below to apply

<https://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/councilservices/children-families-education/schools-and-education/Pages/pupil-premium.aspx>

A plea for help from Ms Williams

Reception are setting up a Nature Kitchen in their outside area and would be really grateful for any donations of old (but safe) kitchen equipment that you no longer need:

Pots, pans, ladles, slotted spoons, wooden spoons, baking trays, cake tins, sieves etc.


Please drop any items you wish to donate into the school office and we'll make sure they find their way to our reception children.

Thank you!

Good luck, Mrs De Frates!

I know that you will join me in wishing Mrs De Frates all the very best of luck for this weekend's London Marathon. We have help Mrs De Frates raise a significant amount of money for her cause and I know that she is very grateful. We'll be watching out on the TV for you Mrs De Frates, good luck!

Cont below

Upcoming Diary Dates	Thought for the day...
<p>17&18.10.22 – Year 5 Bikeability lessons</p> <p>21.10.22 – Term 1 ends</p> <p>31.10.22 – INSET DAY – school closed</p> <p>01.11.22 – Term 2 begins</p> <p>08.11.22 – Flu vaccine day</p> <p>14,15&16.11.22 – Parents Evening</p> <p>28.11.22 – Book Fair in the hall</p> <p>07.12.22 – Reception and KS1 Nativity performance at 9.30am and 2.30pm</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">- Dorothy Height</p>
FOSS Updates	
No updates this week	
SPS Achievements this week	
<p>Ready Respectful Safe – going above and beyond our high expectations</p> <p>Pre-School – Nell has shown a very caring attitude to her friends. She has modelled brilliant turn taking skills and offered her toy to someone who appeared a little sad. Well done, Nell.</p> <p>Reception – Max- For giving lots of compliments to other children in the class and Janaya- For helping other children and sharing resources</p> <p>Year 1 and 2 – Fraser - Fraser is always ready to learn and works very hard with every challenge set. He is always respectful and an excellent role model to other children. Well done Fraser for always being your best self</p> <p>Year 3 and 4 – Betty is always ready to learn, is respectful and kind to others and this week has been more confident in contributing to class discussion and Adam - Adam is a respectful and kind member of our class. He is always ready to learn and puts 100% effort into everything he does. Well done, Keep it up!</p> <p>Year 5 – Georgina - demonstrating consistency, conscientiousness and courtesy in abundance</p> <p>Year 6 – Alfie - Always quietly getting on with the job at hand. It is a pleasure to have you in the class</p>	

With best wishes,
Matt Green
Head Teacher