



# Foxton

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Dear Parents

### Welcome

We are very pleased to welcome Mr Martin as our new Premises Officer. He has already shown how helpful he is going to be by solving the overflowing guttering problem by removing a tennis ball – how did that get in there? Mr Martin will be with us from 7.30am until 9am and between 3.30pm and 6pm.

### Reading Scheme

Thanks to Mrs Walker and Mrs Ireland our Reading Scheme books have been sorted and re-organised so they are more accessible to the children. Thanks also to Mrs Hanger and Mrs Walker replacement and new books have been ordered.

### FSA

A big thank you to our FSA who are paying for a canopy to cover the area outside our Hall Door and also have offered to pay for the new Reading Scheme books. Thank you everyone who has supported our FSA's fund raising.

### Achievement Assembly

This month's Achievement Assembly will take place Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February at 2.45pm in the School Hall. Class Cups are being presented for achievements in Writing and Spelling. Also, some children from Year 5 and 6 will be sharing what they made during their class' Technology Week. The Hall will be open from 2.30pm. There will be some cakes available made from recipes in the School Cookbook for you to try and buy.

### School Cookbook

Our School Cookbook has been printed and copies are now in school. To buy a copy either complete an order form and return with cash/cheque (payable to FSA). The Cookbook will cost £7.50. The Cookbook will also be on sale at the Achievement Assembly. Thanks go, particularly, to Sarah Turner who has co-ordinated the project.

### After School Care

Bookings are now essential for After School Care. Mrs Raymakers has a form which needs completing, even if you're a regular user of After School Care the form needs completing. Places are limited so please contact Mrs Raymakers as soon as possible.

### Bags2Schools

The next Bags2Schools collection will take place on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March. Please return your bag by 9am to the School Office. The items which can be put in the bag include: Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing, Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around), Handbags, Hats, Bags, Scarves and ties, Jewellery, Belts, Soft toys. Please note that they do not accept: Duvets, bedding, blankets and household linen, Pillows and cushions, Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats), Curtains, Towels, School uniforms, Corporate clothing and workwear, Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material.

### Parents' Evening

Our Parents' Evenings are on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March between 3.30pm – 5.30pm and on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March between 5.00pm – 7.30pm. However, Mrs Frow is only available on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March. Appointment times are available from class teachers, letters will be sent out later this week and as always; if these times are not convenient please contact the class teacher for a mutually agreeable date and time.

## **Cross Country**

Foxton was very well represented at the last Cross Country races. The children competed very well with improved places since last time. Congratulations to Theo and Freddie Parsons who finished in the top ten and now represent the Harborough District at the county competition at Belvoir Castle. Hopefully, it will have warmed up a bit for the next event on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March.

## **Author Visit**

A local author, Jane Clarke, will be visiting the school on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March to take assembly where she will present some performance poetry and talk to the children about where she gets her ideas from. Jane will also be working with the Year 5 and 6 children to inspire their writing. If you have any of Jane's books, titles include: Gilbert the Great, Stuck in the Mud, Squeaky Clean and How to Feed Your Cheeky Monkey, please bring them into school and she will happily sign them whilst she is with us. For further information visit her website: [www.jane-clarke.co.uk](http://www.jane-clarke.co.uk).

## **World Book Day**

World Book Day is on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March and we will be sending home a World Book Day £1 voucher with each child. They can take their voucher to a local bookseller and exchange it for one of these books: 'Kipper's Visitor' by Mick Inkpen, 'Supertato: Hap-pea Ever After' by Sue Hendra and Paul Linnet 'Daisy and the Trouble With Jack' by Kes Gray and Nick Sharratt, 'The Great Mouse Plot' by Roald Dahl and Quentin Blake, 'Welcome to the World of Norm' by Jonathan Meres, 'Star Wars: Adventures in Wild Space' by Cavan Scott, 'The Boy Who Could Do What He Liked' by David Baddiel, 'Harper and the Sea of Secrets' by Cerrie Burnell and Laura Ellen Anderson, 'Spot the Difference' by James Dawson, 'Kindred Spirits' by Rainbow Rowell.

Rather than dressing up as a book character this year we would like the children to take a shoe box and make it into a scene out of a book. A book token will be awarded to best effort in each class. If you haven't got an empty shoe box we have some at school, please ask Mrs Raymakers.

## **Lateness**

Thank you to the vast majority of parents who get their children to school on time. It is important to be on time as the first few minutes of the school day are often used to give out instructions or organise schoolwork for the rest of the day. Children who miss this short but vital session, have their work for the whole day affected. Late arrivals are disruptive to the whole class and often embarrassing for the child. We take the view there are no late children, only late parents. Just as a reminder, the children are expected to be in school by 8.55am, cloakroom doors open at 8.45am (Children in Year 1 and 2 are met by their teacher at 8.50am). Anyone arriving after 9am is recorded as late and a record is kept.

## **Sport Relief**

We are pleased to be able to support this year's Sport Relief, which is on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March. Our Sports Ambassadors are organising a 'Fun Run' around the school field. Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March will also be a non-uniform day with a suggested donation of £1 for Sport Relief.

## **Drumming Performance**

Our Year 3 and 4 drummers will be performing for parents and friends on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March starting at 2.30pm, please come along and see and hear how they are progressing. Advance notice: they will be also performing at De Montfort Hall on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June.

## **Events**

This is a very busy half term with a number of events including: The Black Hole Planetarium visiting the school, a Japanese experience day, a Loughborough University visit, the Small Schools Choir Concert, Tag Rugby Competitions, a Uni Hoc Tournament and a children's conference to name just a few. Look out for further details on letters sent home with the children.

## **Tesco**

A project is taking place in Foxton to repair an area of land which has been badly damaged by flooding. To support the project Tesco is providing a grant. From Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> February when you receive a token at the checkout please put it in the Foxton Project container. After Easter our Gardening Club will be visiting the site to see how it is progressing.

Yours sincerely

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**Head Teacher**