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Dear Parents

Achievement Assembly

This month's Achievement Assembly will take place on Friday, 27th January at 2.45pm. Refreshments will be available from 2:25pm and don't forget the cake raffle: 50p a ticket. The Achievement Cups will be awarded for 'kindness, consideration and helpfulness'.

Class Newsletters

Each class has a newsletter for this term. The children should have all taken home a copy. The newsletters are available on the school's website under the 'Classes' tab. Viewing the newsletters online makes it easier to access the Internet links.

Head Boys

Congratulations to William Sibley and Ben Orton who have been chosen as our Head Boys for this term.

Cross Country

The next race will be on Thursday, 9th February and there is another scheduled for Thursday, 9th March. Let's hope the weather is kind and the events are able to take place.

New Teacher in Year 5 and 6

As part of her PGCE training, Miss Rotherham has joined our Year 5 and 6 Class and will be working with us for the next six weeks.

Sainsbury's Active Kids 2017

Sainsbury's will again be giving out their Active Kids Vouchers and we will be collecting them. In Sainsbury's Locals one voucher will be given for every £5 which is spent. At Sainsbury's Supermarkets one voucher is given for every £10 which is spent. Vouchers can be collected from 25th January – 3rd May 2016. Please bring them into school – a collection box is in the School Reception area.

Football Team

School Football Team Practice begins on Tuesday, 31st January straight after school until 4.15pm. Please complete and return the slip below if you wish for your child to take part. The Regional Small Schools Final is scheduled for Saturday, 18th March.

Year 3 and 4 Castleton Trip

On Wednesday, 1st March, straight after school, there will be an information meeting for parents and children about this year's Castleton Residential. Details about the menu, accommodation and programme will be given out. Please do not worry if you are unable to attend as I will make sure that you receive an information pack. In the meantime, if you have any questions please feel free to ask.

After School Football Team Practice

Name: Class:

I give permission for the child named above to take part in Tuesday after school football.

Signed: Date:

Signed by the person with legal responsibility

Espresso

At school we use a website called Espresso from Discovery Education. Home access is available by going to the following website: <https://online.espresso.co.uk/espresso/login/Authn/UserPassword> There is a link on our School Website. Log in using the username: **student19685** and password: **foxtan**

E-safety Update

Accompanying this newsletter is guidance for parents regarding child internet safety at home from our internet service provider. The following website will also give you lots of up-to-date information: <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>.

Winter Weather

If we have to close the school because staff have not been able to get to work, we will notify parents via text message, the school website and reports on BBC Radio Leicester (both through broadcasts and their website). When the weather is cold and wet the children must bring a warm, waterproof coat to school with them. Unless the weather is very, very wet, children will be outside at break and lunch time.

P.E.

The children in all classes have P.E. outside in any weather; please ensure they have appropriate kit that will keep them warm and dry if it's raining.

Extreme Reading Competition

We have agreed to take part in a competition run by Premier Education. The children are asked to have a photo taken of themselves reading whilst playing their favourite sport, watching a sporting fixture or volunteering at a sporting event. There is a limit of one photo per child. We could take the photographs in school, however, it would be much better if they were taken outside school and brought in. If you would like to e-mail the photos to school, we can print them off. All photographs will be put on a display in the School Hall. The school with the highest percentage of pupils taking part will win £350 worth of PE provision. The best photo out of all of the schools will also win an individual prize. Winners to be announced on Thursday 9th February so get snapping!

School Council Trip

On Thursday 26th January, our School Council has been invited to Fleckney C of E Primary School to have a look around, discuss what they do and share ideas with members of their School Council. I am looking forward to hearing about what they find out.

Eco-Warriors

William and Freddie have organised two competitions. The children in Fox Cubs and Years 1 and 2 are to colour in a picture of a lightbulb while children in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 are to design a poster to encourage waste to be sorted into recycling or rubbish. The closing date for entries is Monday 30th January.

Poppy Appeal

We have been notified that we raised £76.83 for the British Legion. They thank us very much and say that without our help they would be unable to continue their vital welfare and benevolent work.

Half Term

Half Term is the week beginning Monday, 13th February. It is still a few weeks away but just a reminder that school is closed to the children on Monday, 20th February (the Monday after half term). We will be receiving training entitled 'From Dependence to Independence' during the day.

Roofing Work

They are very close to finishing the work to replace the school roof. I'm sure you are looking forward to scaffolding being taken away – I know we are!

Reading Challenge

Mrs Frow has introduced a Reading Challenge to the children to encourage reading at home. The number of pages in books complete by the children in each class are added together and converted into kilometres to reach their target location. The Fox Cubs have already read their way to London and are now en route to Lisbon ... Who will be next to reach their first destination?

Yours sincerely

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