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Dear Parents

Achievement Assembly

The first Achievement Assembly of this academic year is on Friday 27th September. Achievement Cups for each year group will be presented for 'Rising to the Challenge'. The Achievement Assembly will start at 2:45pm in the School Hall and children from Year 3 and 4 will be talking about their class work. Refreshments will be available from 2:30pm. As usual the F.S.A. Cake Raffle will be happening, 50p per ticket.

Homework

Fox Cubs – Every night the children are expected to read, to be read to and do other activities such as work from their phonics book to support their learning needs.

Year 1 & 2 – A minimum of 10 minutes reading per night. Spellings to learn will be sent out on a Friday and an informal assessment will take place every so often. Learning Log activities to be completed every week given out on a Friday to be returned on the following Wednesday.

Year 3 & 4 – A piece of Maths homework (MyMaths) will be set on alternate Fridays and is to be completed by the following Wednesday. Alternate weeks: topic homework to be returned on Wednesdays from the list of tasks. Reading books to be read every night. Spellings to learn are on Purple Mash.

Year 5 & 6 – A MyMaths activity and an English task will be set on Fridays to be returned by the following Wednesday. Spellings to learn are on Purple Mash. A topic related project will be set for completion during half term holidays.

Applications for Fox Cubs 2020

If your child is due to start school for the Autumn Term 2020, i.e. they were born between 1st September 2015 and 31st August 2016, then applications are now being taken by Leicestershire County Council. The easiest way is to use the online form at the following website: <http://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools-colleges-and-academies/school-admissions/primary-school-places>. Applications close on 15th January 2020.

Music Lessons

Years 3 and 4's tabla drum lessons are now well underway and the children are welcome to take the instruments home to practice, if a form has been completed. Please make sure they are back in school on Monday mornings for their lesson.

Tag Rugby

On Friday afternoons we are lucky that Leicester Tigers are providing some rugby coaching with our Year 3 and 4 children and there will be a festival on Wednesday 6th November.

Annual Calendar of Events

Our 'Yellow Calendar' has now been printed, if you haven't received one or would like an additional copy please feel free to ask.

Star of the Week

Each week, the teachers from each class will nominate their Star of the Week; someone who is really rising to the challenge. As a reward these children will then have juice and cake in the afternoon.

Open Morning

To publicise the work of our school we are having an 'Open Morning' on Wednesday 6th November for prospective parents between 9:30-11.00am. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please let them know the details.

New School Dinner Menu

Starting after half term will be a new school dinner menu, further details to follow soon.

Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator

Mr Fletcher will be available to see parents on the last Tuesday of every month from 8:45am until 9:30am, just drop in. Please make an appointment to see him at other times.

Dojo Points

The children receive Dojo Points as positive feedback for their work and behaviour. Dojo Points will not be taken away. There is a secure website which records the number of points each child has earned and a class total. Different targets operate in each class but once a class has reached their target the class receives Golden Time as soon as possible after the target is reached. Golden Time lasts for 20 minutes and the children can choose what they do. As individuals the children will receive certificates for multiples of 50 Dojo Points earned and these will be presented in Achievement Assemblies.

Congratulations!

Ellis and Lucy are Head Boy and Head Girl for the Autumn Term.

Harry, Aran, Alfie and Ellis have been elected Team Leaders by the children in their teams. Emerson and Mimi have been elected onto the School Council by the children in Years 3 and 4. Connie and Ida have also been elected onto the School Council by the children in Years 1 and 2.

Amelia and Harry are our Junior Road Safety Officers for this academic year. They have already got a competition for the children – to create a banner designed to help raise awareness about road safety. This year's official Road Safety Week theme is 'Step up for Safe Streets' which gives the children plenty of scope to come up with a great design. Entry forms have been given to those children wanting to take part and are to be returned to Harry or Amelia by Monday 7th October so they can be sent off.

Jamie, Ray, Aran and Lily are our Sports Ambassadors. They have started organising football matches between the teams.

Lucy and Mason are our Eco Warriors. They have set up collection points for recycling batteries. Please put any batteries for recycling in the tub in the School Reception area or give them to your child to put in the tubs in the classrooms.

Football

School Football Team training begins on Wednesday 18th September for children in Years 5 & 6. There will be no training on Wednesday 2nd October due to parents evening. Children taking part in the Year 5 and 6 tournament on Tuesday 8th October will need to take their football kit to the leisure centre to change into after swimming. We will then walk around to the Harborough Town football pitches.

School Disco

Our School Council have decided to organise a School Disco, which will take place on Friday 1st November. Pre-School and Fox Cub children are welcome if an adult stays with them, between 5:30pm and 6:15pm. The disco will then be open to Key Stage One and Two children from 6:15pm to 7:30pm. Further details nearer the time.

Pupil Premium

If you are eligible for Pupil Premium, please apply for it as it brings benefits for the school and your child. For example, your child could benefit from: new learning activities and opportunities to widen their life experiences, one to one or small group sessions, before/after school clubs or activities, free school meals. You can apply if you receive one of these benefits:

- Income Based Job Seekers Allowance
- Income Support
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit, with an annual income less than £7,400.

To apply for Pupil Premium please collect a form from Mrs Raymakers or from: <https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/sites/default/files/field/pdf/2018/8/24/APPLICATION-FOR-FREE-SCHOOL-MEALS-Aug-2018.pdf>

Fund Raising

Do you shop online? This is an easy way to raise money for the school, just register at this website: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?char=226081>. Use easyfundraising to shop with over 3,600 retailers including Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com, eBay, Boden, and M&S. Every time you shop, you'll raise a free donation for Foxtton Primary School, it's that easy! Please help support Foxtton Primary School by shopping online.

Aldi

Aldi shoppers can now pick up Team GB stickers at stores nationwide and bring them into school. Every £30 multiple spent in one transaction is awarded a sticker. We will add the stickers to our Aldi's Kit for Schools poster – 300 stickers guarantees a sports kit and a shot at the £20,000 prize.

Children in Need Walk

On Tuesday 15th October, there is an organised five mile walk starting at the Black Horse in Foxtton at 10:00am, just turn up with a donation to Children in Need. Contact Val White for further details on 0116 2101702 or 07952516110.

Yours sincerely

P Clark