



09/10/2020

Half term is fast approaching

It seems that time flies when you're having fun! We are already at the end of the 5th week back to school and there are only 2 more before half term. This has been a challenging but enjoyable start to the year with the children displaying some brilliant learning attitudes and behaviours. We are all learning through the current situation and adaptations need to be made along the way to ensure we are at our most efficient. Thank you again for your support and understanding through difficult circumstances.

Parents consultations

Thank you to those parents who have already participated in parent consultations and who have them booked for next week. If you have not made an appointment, please do speak to your class teacher as we very much want to discuss how your children have managed with the return to school, and how to move forward.

Pupil Meals

We are pleased to announce that, from Monday 19th October, the school kitchen will resume the provision of hot meals to the whole school. Children will be served in their own class bubbles and strict hygiene procedures will remain in place. Bookings should be made via School Gateway, and there is a charge of £2.30 per lunch for children in KS2 unless they are eligible for Free School Meals. Please book before 9.00am on the day to ensure a meal is ordered for your child. If you miss this deadline, please phone the school office as soon as possible and Mrs Lowden can add your booking for you.

Barn Owls

Barn Owls have had another exciting week. In English we have started a new unit based around Robert Falcon Scott and his journey to the South Pole. In Science we have been doing lots of experiments - this week we tested different materials to find out which was the best thermal insulator. We have been working on our foot work and different ways of travelling in PE, and have been experimenting with different percussive instruments in Music.

Uniform supplier

Last week Mr Hill met with representatives of School Wear Direct who have a new base and shop in Okehampton. We very much hope in the coming weeks our uniform will be stocked there, with some exciting new options for coats. Look out for more information soon.





Music and Rhythm

Mrs Joliffe has been teaching the children singing and rhythm in her regular Friday lessons. The children learn how to warm up their voices and to join in with beats and rhythms by singing both loudly and gently. Snowy Owls used Bamboo Tamboos today to produce some great rhythmic sounds.



FoBS AGM

Please see the attached information for FoBS AGM. FoBS do a fantastic job raising funds for projects within the school, and purchased our brilliant play equipment for us recently. School budgets don't always have the capacity to provide for the little extras which add to the amazing experiences and enrichment offered to the children, and we feel very fortunate that FoBs work so hard to help fund these. All families with children in the school are automatically members of FoBS, and if you can spare some time to help out, please attend the AGM if you can – the more the merrier!

Diary Dates

October

Week beginning 12th - parent consultations

Week beginning 26th – Half term

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Attendance

96.0%