

NEWSLETTER

DIARY



Wednesday 16h November

Open morning for prospective Reception parents

Friday 18th November

Children in Need—wear odd socks and or wacky clothes/hair

Friday 25th November

Coffee morning—come and meet other parent/carers and the safe-guarding team

29th November

Panto performance in school

8th December

Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day

12th December—14th December

Reception, Y1 and Y2 Christmas performances

16th December

Last day of term

A message from the

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PRINCIPAL



Dear Parents/Carers,

This half term we are focusing on the first of our 5 values that make up the acronym GREAT. The G stands for Growth and children are being asked to think about how they can be the best version of themselves at all times.

We started this with an assembly to launch our Jigsaw PSHE theme of Celebrating Differences as we found out that we are all unique and that makes us all special. We also learnt some interesting facts about different animals that make them unique. We will be exploring how we treat each other during Anti-bullying week this month and the School Council have been tasked with deciding



what we do to mark this, along with Children in Need. On Friday 18th November children may wear their own clothes to include odd socks and/or wacky hair/clothes. This is to celebrate how it is great that we are all unique and different.

Our KS2 children have elected our Pupil Ambassadors and their first job has been to lead the Y6 pupils in the Remebrance Service at the War Memorial today to lay our poppy wreath. Well done to Lilly, Morgan and Vlada who laid the wreath for us. The whole of Year 6 represented our school extremely well.

Naomi Brown

Principal



Quick reminders

Money

All clubs and dinners must be paid for in advance. We have some cases where debts are accumulating. which we cannot allow to happen. If you are experiencing difficulty with School Money please speak to a member of our office team. We can provide a barcode that can be used for paying at a Paypoint outlet if that is easier.

Where dinner debts are not paid you will be asked to provide a packed lunch until the debt is paid. Where clubs are not paid the place will be withdrawn.

Uniform

For Year 1—6 the school tie is part of the uniform. Please ensure your child is wearing this every day and they have a shirt, not a polo shirt.

On PE days children need to wear their school jumper over their PE jumper.







Safeguarding



Anti-bullying week

Anti-Bullying Week 2022 will take place from 14 to 18 November and the theme this year is Reach Out. Anti-Bullying Week will remind everyone, whether it's in school, at home, in the community or online, to reach out and show each other the support we need.

During the week the children will be having lessons and assemblies so that they are fully understanding what bullying is and how we can prevent it. The children are taught the acronym STOP (Several Times O ,Purpose) to describe bullying.

We then discuss with the children what they should do and talk to. Parents can support by visiting this page: https:// www.kidscape.org.uk/resourcesand-campaigns/friendship-fridayanti-bullying-week-2022/forparents-and-carers/ and talking to children about this.



Rewards

Attendance

This half term we will be holding an attendance raffle. For each week that your child is in school every day they will have a raffle ticket entered into a draw to win a prize.

In order to have their raffle ticket children must be in school every day and be on time. Don't forget that children need to be in class by 8.55am.



We have a new attendance display in the hall. Each class has a vehicle to race along the racetrack to 100% Each week the vehicle will be moved to the percentage attendance the class achieved the previous week. The children have enjoyed finding out the results each Monday.

Behaviour

At the end of term, children who have followed all of the rules, all of the time will receive their bronze behaviour certificate. Children have also been collecting their Dojo points this term and when they receive 50 points they choose a prize from the treasure box—it's brilliant to see children already being awarded prizes.



Sporting News

October has been a busy month in regard to sporting events at Great Heath.

Firstly, on 5th October, 20 Boys from Year 6 represented the school at the mini-soccer competition held at Great Heath. The boys were split into 2 teams and played 4 games each. Both teams did not quite make the semi-finals but played brilliantly and with spirit.

On Tuesday 11th October 18 Year 4 boys/ girls took part in another mini-soccer tournament at Great Heath. They played well and we particularly loved their passion and commitment.

The next tournament was on the 18th October. 20 girls from Years 5 and 6 competed.

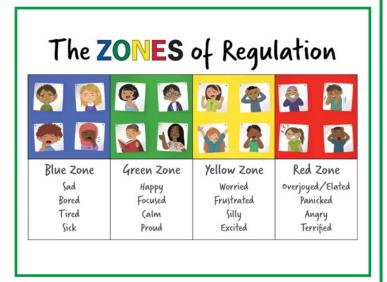
Team A finished 2nd in their pool and Team B finished 5th. Well done girls.

The last tournament was on the 20th October and 20 Year 5/6 boys played in a development tournament. Team A, playing great football managed to get to the final and were narrowly beaten to finish as runners up.

We cannot finish the sporting news without mentioning our runners, Jaxon Hoskins and Isabelle Knowles. Both of them qualified to represent Forest Heath at the Area Championships in Ipswich on the 13th October. Once again they both ran extremely well. Jaxon ran against 162 other boys and finished a fantastic 23rd. Isabelle ran against 144 girls and finished a fantastic 30th. Both have now qualified to run at the county finals. Well done!

Zones of Regulation

We have started using 'Zones of Regulation' this term. The children have been using 4 colour zones; Blue, Green, Yellow and Red, to identify and communicate how they are feeling. Children might identify themselves as being in the Blue Zone if they sad tired. They feel nervous, confused or silly in the Yellow Zone. The Red Zone is used to describe anger, frustration or overexcited. Green Zone describes children when are happy, calm and relaxed. These zones are used to communicate how we feel and our readiness to learn. Ask your child to share with you what they have learnt about.







We are so excited to announce the upcoming launch of our new Times Tables reward scheme!

Whenever children play on TT Rockstars, they collect points. The more points children collect, the better the prizes (don't worry, we will count all the points they already have!). Keep your eyes peeled for more information coming soon.....







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