Friday 13th July 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for reading our penultimate newsletter of the year and whatever you've got planned over the summer holidays, I hope you have a great time!

## Cricket Match vs Gotherington

Earlier this week we played cricket against our local rivals, Gotherington Primary. Thanks to some excellent batting, bowling and fielding we managed to triumph by a staggering 73 runs - not bad in 12 overs! Very well done Izzy S, Grace C, Eliza, Marley, Jesse, Charlie, Kit and Monty!

## Communication Using Class Dojo

I know that some parents have found Class Dojo to be a very useful communication tool but unfortunately, from the beginning of next term, the class teachers will not be able to use Class Dojo to exchange messages with parents. There are various reasons as to why we've had to make this difficult decision, including the fact that we now have to operate under much more stringent data protection laws. In order to deal with any issues, the teachers will continue to make themselves available at the start and end of the school day and of course we'd be very happy to make an appointment with you in order to deal with more serious concerns.

# Winchcombe Walk - Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

According to the forecast, the weather is due to become a bit cooler with even the likelihood of some rain; therefore we're planning to go ahead with the walk on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July. Please refer to the details included in the letter dated Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June but in summary, we are meeting at 8:40 am at Winchcombe Secondary School, with the aim of setting off by 9:15 am. It would be great if children could gain some sponsorship for this event, using the form that's already been sent out. Parents are welcome to join us and we will be back at school by the usual pick up time.

# Nature In Art Trip (Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July)

We are still in need of some additional parent helpers to join us next Thursday for our whole school trip to the Nature in Art museum next Thursday. We are leaving school at 9:15 am and returning by about 2:45pm. Please contact the school ASAP if you are able to help - many thanks.

## Winchcombe Show - Monday 27th August - A REPEAT OF LAST WEEK'S MESSAGE

Once again there is an Art competition - this year children 14 years and under are being asked to make a flag, no larger than 100 cm by 75 cm, on the theme of 'The Seaside'. There's no entry fee but cash prizes will be available; £5 for 1st place, £3 for  $2^{nd}$  and £2 for  $3^{rd}$  place - group entries are also welcome.

## Gretton's Got Talent

The final's this Monday afternoon! If your child is performing please make sure they have all the props, costumes and music that they will need. The rest of the school are coming to watch so I'm afraid we won't have room for parents to join us as well - sorry.

## Rearranged Date for Eagles Production - A REPEAT OF LAST WEEK'S MESSAGE

Please note that because so many of the children in Eagles will be representing the school at the National Tag American Football Finals in London on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July, we have been forced to change the date of one of the performances. The first performance will now be at 6:00 pm on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July and the second show will be at the same time on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused but I'm sure you can understand the reasons for us making this decision.

## Staffing Arrangements for Next Year

I forgot to mention in last week's newsletter that because Mrs Jones is leaving, Mrs Fowler will be taking over her Teaching Assistant role in Owls from September.

## **House Points**

Well it certainly did go down to the wire! Stanley won again this week to cap a memorable fight back and so they are the overall winners of the House Point Cup this year - congratulations to everyone in Stanley! The School Council decided that as a reward, children in Stanley will be able to go down to the field and play games for an hour.

## End of Year Assembly - A REPEAT OF LAST WEEK'S MESSAGE

Our final assembly of the year is on the last day of term -Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:45 pm and the parents of our Year 6 children are invited to attend.

## <u>Diary Dates</u>

Mon 16<sup>th</sup> July Wed 18<sup>th</sup> July (from 6:10 am!) Thu 19<sup>th</sup> July Thu 19<sup>th</sup> July (6:00 pm) Fri 20<sup>th</sup> July

Fri 20<sup>th</sup> July (6:00 pm) Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> July Tue 24<sup>th</sup> July Gretton's Got Talent - the Final!

NFL team to finals in London

Whole school trip to Nature in Art

Eagles end of year production

Big Friends accompanying Little Friends to Forest

School

Eagles end of year production (Rescheduled date)
Whole-school Winchcombe Walk
Final assembly (1:45 pm) parents of our Y6 children
are welcome to attend
Last day of the academic year

Mon  $3^{rd}$  September INSET Day (school closed to children) Tue  $4^{th}$  September Start of Term 1 (2018 to 2019)

## News from around the classes

### Robins

Robins have been on an under the sea adventure this week. We watched videos about sea creatures and wrote riddles about them for each other to guess. After reading 'Commotion in the Ocean' and 'Rainbow Fish' we made jellyfish, paper plate fish and a giant octopus!

## Kingfishers

Kingfishers enjoyed a lovely Fairy Tea Party down at the field this week. We had a lot of fairies and elves join us, so of course we had to create a picnic for them too! We had a lot of fun running around and enjoying bubbles too! We have been looking at plants this week in science. The children painted lovely watercolour petunias and then labelled them.

### Ow/s

Owls have been showing great excitement about the visit to Fairford for the Royal International Air Tattoo and discussed the changing roles of the RAF. We have also become investigative journalists reporting on the arrival of James' Giant Peach in New York. Our disco song is progressing well and we have introduced different musical accompaniments.

## Eagles

Eagles would like to say a huge thank-you to Shelia from the NSPCC who visited us on Thursday and delivered an interesting and informative workshop. She had some very important messages for us about how to 'Speak out and Stay safe'.

## Birthday Bulletin



## School Meals

To help your child choose their meals, here's next week's menu;

NEXT WEEK'S MENU (16.07.18)				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Margherita Pizza	Spaghetti Bolognaise (made with organic mince)	RoastGammon, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Sausage & Mash	Salmon Fish Fingers with Chips
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Vegetable Bolognaise	Vegetable Pasta Bake	Quorn Roast with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Vegetable Casserole with Cous Cous	Cheese & Onion Quiche with Chips
OR	OR	OR	OR	OR
Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo	Filled Baguette with Ham/Cheese/Tuna or Egg	Jacket Potato with Beans	Filled Baguette with Ham/Cheese/Tuna or Egg	Jacket Potato with Cheese
Carrots, Garden Peas	Sweetcorn, Broccoli	Seasonal Vegetables	Carrots, Green Beans	Baked Beans & Garden Peas
Fruit Crumble with Custard Yoghurt/ Fruit Platter	Chocolate & Beetroot Brownie/ Yoghurt/Fruit Salad	Lemon Drizzle Cake, Cheese & Biscuits, Fruit Salad	Apple Sponge with Custard/Yoghurt/ Fruit Salad	Iced Shortbread Finger/ Yoghurt, Fruit Salad



## This week's 'Golden Children' (13.07.18)

## **Robins**

Jack for being kind and offering to help others

## Kingfishers

Henry for excellent concentration and listening - please keep it up!

#### Owls

Callum for his hard work and increasing confidence in phonics

#### Eagles

Tom and Isla for their interesting contributions to our NSPCC workshop

Best wishes to all members of the school community.

Mr R Woolston
Headteacher