



Dear Parents,

### Harvest Assembly

We held our Harvest Assembly at Gretton Church on Monday - it was lovely with the children singing, reading poems, prayers and psalms. Thank you to the parents who were able to attend - we hope you enjoyed it! Thank you to all parents who contributed food items - we delivered boxes to residents in Gretton and the rest of the food went to the Food Bank.

### Nellie

Nellie was very well behaved for her first official visit to school on Wednesday. Mrs. Jones talked to the children during assembly about how we can make Nel feel welcome as well as acting responsibly when she is in school. She spent her first afternoon in Kingfishers and was perfectly behaved (as were the children!). They loved having her around and she soon became part of the furniture! She enjoyed a run with some of our pupils after school; it was 4 adults, a dog and 17 children!

### Giant Smartie Cookie Sale

The Kingfishers Giant Smartie Cookie sale for some more playground equipment was a great success- thank you for supporting us with this tasty fundraiser! We have some IOU's totalling £11 so if you owe a £1 still please drop it into the office - thank you.

### Census Day

Next Thursday is Census Day where our free school uptake is determined. If your child can have a free school meal (YR, Y1 & Y2) please can they take it on this day as this impacts on the funding we receive over the year.

### Reports

Thank you to all of the parents that sent in responses to the Report questionnaire letter. The majority were supportive of our suggestions for a new style. We only had four parents disagree - two parents because they felt that tick boxes and bullet points would be impersonal; you will know from the letter that the intention of the reports is in fact to make them even more personal to your child and show exactly what they are doing well and what areas they need to develop. The personal statements from the Teachers, Headteacher and pupils will remain. Another parent wanted to continue receiving information in all subjects and one other wished to see a sample report before they decided. We will therefore trial the new reports in June next year.

### Class Assemblies This Term - all 8.45am now:

Eagles - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October

### Book Week

Next week is book week - we will be having our annual 'Travelling Books' book fair after school on Monday until 3.30pm; please support us to raise money for new books for the children. Leaflets will be coming home on Friday.

### Dates for your Diaries:

W/C 3<sup>rd</sup> October -

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October -

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October -

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October -

Book Week

Maths Challenge @ Dean Close

SEN Reviews

'Have a Look' afternoon for current parents @ 2.30pm

End of Term

### News from Classes:

**Robins** - Robins practised saying hello in French, Spanish, German and Italian on Monday for European Day of Languages. We also talked about other differences between countries including food and tasted French stick, Italian ciabatta, German rye bread and Spanish tortillas. We then made our own delicious breadsticks to eat.

**Kingfishers** - What an action-packed week we have had! We have been learning all about the famous Palaeontologist, Mary Anning. This inspired us to create and discover some great fossil ideas! The children loved melting their dinosaur eggs and creating their very own dinosaur fossil with clay and glue with Lorraine Hill, who kindly is helping out an afternoon a week. Finally, we had a great trip to the Natural History Museum in Oxford where we learnt some strange and wonderful things!

**Owls** - This week Owls celebrated our European day of languages by learning about French colours through the song of 'Leon Le Chameleon' and Croatian numbers (many thanks to Mrs Milner and Mrs Whales for their help). In our creative afternoons we have been hard at work using paper mache to make Viking longships. They are still a work in progress but we've enjoyed getting sticky!!

**Eagles** - Penguins, pandas and ponies were some of the subjects of Eagles' class book 'Les Animaux'; written as part of our celebration of European Day of languages - it revealed many fascinating animal facts (all in French, naturally). Mrs Lucar very kindly taught us the numbers 1-12 and the colours in Spanish. We had a lot of fun trying to roll our rs! In the afternoon Gracie and Ben, students from Winchcombe School visited, along with a photographer from the Echo. Gracie and Ben helped the Eagles to play colour lotto.

**Have a lovely weekend. Mrs Kelly**



## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Harriet, William, Freddie, Islay & Finley

### This week's 'Golden Children'

**Gold Book:**

**Robins** - Hugo for working hard practising his letter shapes.

**Kingfishers** - Callum H for excellent focus in Maths and Matilda F for settling in really well & making a super start at Gretton.

**Owls** - Annabelle for her hard work and enthusiasm shown in her Maths.

**Eagles** - Marley for his Adventure story & Isla A for much improved presentation.

**Attitude Tree:**

Ines for always being so well behaved and setting a good example to the class, Charlie B for improved concentration and motivation in Maths and Phonics, Lara for her superb attitude in running club; after falling down she got up and carried on, running the whole way. Excellent bouncebackability! Will T for being a great running partner to Mrs Kelly - we did 20 minutes non-stop!

#### NEXT WEEK'S MENU

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Sausages with Mash & Gravy	Organic Meaty Pizza with Savoury Wedges	Roast Chicken with Stuffing Roast Potatoes & Gravy	MEATY PIZZA WEDGE & FRIES	MSC Battered Fish with Chips
OR	OR	OR	OR	OR
Veggie Toad in the Hole with Mash & Gravy	Spiced Vegetable & Quorn Pattie	Mixed Vegetable Loaf with Roast Potatoes	CHEESE & TOMATO PIZZA WEDGE & FRIES	Cheese & Leek Flan with Chips
OR	OR	OR		OR
Jacket Potato with Tuna	Jacket Potato with Beans	Jacket Potato with Salmon Mayo		Jacket Potato with Beans
Sweetcorn & Mixed Peas	Green Beans & Carrots	Savoy Cabbage & Broccoli	SWEETCORN OR BEANS	Garden Peas & Baked Beans
Rice Pudding with Mixed Berries/Yogurt/Fresh Fruit Platter	Eve's Pudding with Custard/Yogurt/Fresh Fruit Salad	Carrot & Courgette Cake/Yogurt/Fresh Fruit Chunks	ICED CHOCOLATE SPONGE	Chocolate Shortbread/Yoghurt/Fresh Fruit Platter

