

This week's merit certificates are awarded to;

FS2 - Sam
Yr 1 – Gilbert
Yr 2 – Poppy and Angus
Yr 3 & 4 – Ben and Thomas R
Yr 5 & 6 – Hayden, Evelyn, Jack T

Well done to you all!



'Buckminster Bites'

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Next week's dates for your diary

Monday 24th - PTFA AGM 2.30pm in the school community room.
Tuesday 25th-
Wednesday 26th- KS2 Woolsthorpe Manor trip
Thursday 27th-
Friday 28th- Yrs 1, 2 & 3 swimming

*Buckminster School, where children are encouraged to be
Inspirational Learners*

Lunch Money

May we take this opportunity to remind you that we would be grateful if lunch money could be paid at the beginning of each week in a sealed envelope clearly marked with your child's name, the amount and which days they wish to have a school lunch.

Many thanks.



PTFA AGM

Recruiting willing volunteers who wish to be part of a fantastic PTFA.

The AGM will be held on **Monday 24th September at 2.30pm**. If you wish to put yourself forward as chair or treasurer, please either come to the meeting or let Mrs Clarke know so you can be nominated. If you would just like to find out if this is something you may be interested in joining, then please come along, there is no obligation.

School Council - Voting will take place on Monday so you have an extra weekend to complete the form if you haven't already.

Year 4/5 Tag Rugby Festival Friday 14th September



Well done to all of the children who took part. They showed great teamwork, commitment and determination.



Harvest Festival

Thank you so much to everyone who donated and decorated food boxes - they were delivered to the elderly in the village on Tuesday. The food donations, for the food bank, were amazing so a huge thank you for those as well.



Year 5 and 6 off to deliver around the village

Inspire+

As many of you are aware, Inspire+ is a sports charity we work closely with and have done for the past two years. They provide exciting sporting and wellbeing opportunities for all children as well as training for staff. Last year we utilised specialist coaches for gymnastics, core skills PE and we had the fantastic Sophie Allen run a Boot Camp in the summer term. We have had visits from inspirational sports men and women, ex Olympians and Paralympians including Sam Ruddock and England hockey star Shona McCallin. This year we will be receiving 10 Balance Bikes and training for our Early Years children, a dance specialist for year 3/4 for a term, a multi skills coach for Yr5/6 for the year, a gifted and talented programme and much more.

This charity is funded through the government's sports funding scheme with each school receiving £16,000. A large proportion of our funding goes towards paying for the wonderful services of Inspire+ but, like all government initiatives, it might not last forever! Schools are not sure whether funding will continue for one more year or 4 years so, along with many other schools in the area, we are keen to support the charity and its sustainability.

Inspire+ are already planning for this gap in funding to ensure they can continue to provide support, not only for the children at our school today but for those yet to join us. One of their plans is to maximise the SKLottery opportunity being run by South Kesteven District Council. It is a weekly lottery with a jack pot of £25,000. Tickets are just £1 and 50p from each ticket goes to the buyers nominated charity (Inspire+). If every school were able to influence £100 tickets being sold weekly (e.g. this could be 20 parents paying £5 a week) this would bring in £104,000 back into schools via Inspire+.

You can purchase tickets and find further information using the following link:

<https://www.lotterysk.co.uk/support/inspire>

LotterySK supporting inspire+
Working together for young people

WE'VE LAUNCHED OUR LOTTERY PAGE

Buy Your Tickets From Our Page - We Get 50%

- Support local sports charity Inspire+ support your local school and community!
- Win weekly prizes of up to £25,000!
- 50% of all tickets sold from our page go to Inspire+!
- PLUS 10% goes to other local good causes!
- Tickets only cost £1 per week!
- Support Inspire+ and have a chance to win weekly prizes!

To Start Supporting, Visit:
www.LotterySK.co.uk
And Search For:
Inspire+

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older

Illness



Can we please make all parents aware that the current Government guidelines following any sickness/vomiting and/or diarrhoea is to keep that child off school for a period of **48 hours** from the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting.

We appreciate your understanding in this matter.

Singing Lessons

Thank you for returning your reply slip. Lessons are being timetabled and will start next week 25th September.

Jeans for Genes Day

We have raised



Thank you!

Open Morning for School and Pre-School

We would like to invite you to an open morning on 31st October from 9am - 10.45am. At 9am Mrs Clarke will be doing a presentation in the hall for all parents and then you will have an opportunity to go into all classrooms and observe the lessons, help your child or become a pupil yourself!!

There is no need to book, just come along, and if grandparents would like to come, they will be warmly welcomed.



OPEN HOUSE

Pre-School will also be serving teas and coffee to help raise money for the Pre-School

Governors

We would like to say a huge 'thank you' to Jon Watchorn who, this week, stepped down as Chair to the Governing Body. Jon has been a valuable member of the school for many years and we are so grateful for all he has done.

Clare Smith, who has been a governor for a year has offered to take on the role of Chair. We hope the position will be a rewarding one for her.

Parent Governors

We have two vacancies for parent governors. If you would like to put your name forward or want to know more about what the role entails, please pop in to see Mrs Clarke. Expressions of interest must be in by 8th October.

Photos

Please can we remind you that any photos taken at sporting events with other children on must not be put onto social media without the permission of that child's parent(s). We take internet safety very seriously and the safety of all children in school is paramount. Thank you