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Newsletter 5 Spring Term

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Half term already! Hopefully, the weather will have turned a corner by the time we come back and spring will be on its way.

This week the Tiddlers and Minnows have been preparing for their banquet on Thursday. The Minnows have also written “sensory” poems, based on what they saw, heard, smelled, tasted and felt at Warwick Castle. The Sticklebacks have been film makers, creating film trailers for a superhero movie. There has been great fun in Seahorses as they composed songs about the Egyptians in different musical styles. The children in Stingrays have been finding out more about Sikhism, in particular considering how important sharing with others is within their faith. The Sharks class has been exploring the clothing traditions linked to different faiths and also continuing their investigations about Pompeii and Ancient Rome, using primary and secondary historical sources.

Staff Update

We are very pleased to announce that our Breakfast Club leader position has now been filled but, sadly, we shall be saying goodbye to Natalie Rowles today, as she leaves to pursue a full time job elsewhere. Natalie has been a valuable member of staff, firstly as a Lunchtime Supervisor and then also as a Teaching Assistant in the Stingrays class. We thank her for her help and shall miss seeing her cheerful face in the school. We all wish her the very best for the future.

Headteachers' Conference

After half term I shall be away for a few days at the annual Headteachers' Conference, at which we shall be looking at the future of education and school funding.

Year 6 Girls' Football Match

On Monday afternoon the Year 6 girls played a match against Chesterton Primary School. What a game! It was a brilliant performance by the girls and they won 3-0. They battled superbly and thoroughly deserved the win. Well done Fritwell!

Year 1 & 2 Multiskills

Children from Key Stage 1 took part in a multiskills festival at Bicester Sports Centre on Wednesday morning. They had great fun challenging themselves in a range of activities involving target throwing and bat and ball skills. Their behaviour was outstanding and we all thoroughly enjoyed ourselves.

Tiddlers & Minnows Banquet Day

On Thursday morning we saw some beautiful princesses and very handsome knights arrive at the Early Years classroom, ready for their Royal banquet. Well done to everyone for dressing up for the occasion! The children made honeyed gingerbread and jellies, learnt a special dance, and Mrs King "knighted" them all at the end.



"Love Your Learning" Morning

It was good to see so many parents and carers in the classrooms again this morning, looking at their children's work. Thank you to those who were able to take the time to stay at school.

"Child of the Week"

Well done to the following who received certificates this week :

<i>Minnows</i>	The whole class
<i>Sticklebacks</i>	Rupert R and Darcy M
<i>Seahorses</i>	Connor H-C and Harry T
<i>Stingrays</i>	Gracie M and Sam M
<i>Sharks</i>	Leo N and Maia A-S

Events in the Week after Half Term

Monday 25 th February	<i>Uniform Day for Cubs, Brownies, Rainbows, Guides, etc</i>
Wednesday 27 th February	<i>Year 5 & 6 Netball Tournament</i>
Thursday 28 th February	<i>Year 6 Visit to Junior Citizens</i>

World Thinking Day

World Thinking Day and Founder's Day are about international friendship and solidarity, and an opportunity for our young people to reflect upon the services that they can provide to the communities in which they live. Therefore we are allowing all the Rainbows, Beavers, Cubs, Brownies, Guides and Scouts to wear their uniforms to school on **Monday 25th February**, straight after half term. This year World Thinking Day actually falls on Friday the 22nd but we shall celebrate it the following Monday.





Internet Safety Parent Workshop

Please do not forget to return the reply slip to the school if you would like to attend the workshop on Thursday 21st March.

Health & Safety Audit

In the last two weeks we have had our annual Health & Safety Audit undertaken by the Council and we are very pleased to announce that we passed with flying colours. Special thanks must go to Val in the office for all the work involved in this exercise and her excellent administration of the files.

Lice

There has been a bad case of head lice in one of the classes in school and we ask that you do check your child's hair regularly and treat with the special medicated shampoo. Sometimes it is necessary to use a longer lasting treatment before combing through with a nit comb. It is also useful practice to use conditioner on a child's hair once a week, and comb this through with a nit comb before rinsing.

Jack FM Radio Station

When we return to school Jack FM will be doing a news piece on school crossing patrol officers and Fritwell has been asked to participate. Our lollipop lady, Angie, will be interviewed, as well as the older Primary Leadership Team children, who will all be asked about her valuable contribution to the safety of our school and pupils.

FoFS Family Fun Trail

Don't forget to buy your tickets for the Family Fun Trail on **Saturday 2nd March!** This is going to be a very enjoyable event and great fun for the whole family. Please speak to one of the FoFS team or the school office.

Have a wonderful break!

Kind regards,

Jon Hart
Headteacher





Mon 25th Feb – Back to School

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Wed 27th Feb – Year 5 & 6 Netball Festival

Thurs 28th Feb – Sharks Trip to Junior Citizens

Wed 6th Mar – Year 5 & 6 Hockey Tournament

Thurs 7th Mar – World Book Day

Mon 11th Mar – Book Fair all week

Tues 12th Mar – Parents' Evening

Wed 13th Mar – Parents' Evening

Tues 19th Mar – Year 6 Girls' Football Match

Thurs 21st Mar – Internet Safety Parents' Workshop

Fri 22nd Mar – Non-Uniform Day for Easter Egg Hunt

Wed 27th Mar – Year 5 Bikeability Training

Thurs 28th Mar – Year 5 Bikeability Training

Thurs 28th Mar – Vision Screening for Reception

Sat 30th Mar – FoFS Easter Egg Hunt