

The FenHil News

'Respect, Honesty, Kindness and Collaboration'

February 9th 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

What an exciting half term it has been at our school, there have been visits from dinosaurs, members of the community and Swavesey Village College pupils.

Fish Tank

Many of you will have enjoyed the fish tank that we have in our front entrance. We would like to send a plea for any fish enthusiasts out there that could help us out with the cleaning of the fish tank (this is a weekly task). Unfortunately if there is no help offered we will need to rehome the fish and drain the tank which would be an awful shame.

Sumdog

We now have a new Maths learning platform called 'Sumdog' the children are being introduced to it in lessons and the staff are due to have training in the near future so please keep a look out for future communication.

Parking

We had a visit from two police officers this week to monitor parking around school. I am pleased to report that since this visit parking is much improved. I do urge you to continue to be courteous with your parking.

Attendance Certificates

Today I will receive the attendance figures from Mrs Wilkinson. Next half term the children will receive their first attendance certificate, designed by Mrs Campbell. We have a Gold, Silver and Bronze certificate, plus a Headteacher's award for children with much improved attendance.

School Council

The children have commented this week that they particularly enjoyed and welcomed the new arrangements at the school DISCO. It went very well and was enjoyed by many. They wish to thank the PTA for organising it. Eagles' class have reported to School Council how much they enjoyed the recent Pantomime in School – they wish to say 'Thank you'.

Mrs Downing

PTA News

The PTA have had a very busy and successful start to the year. Thank you to all the children who attended our disco last Friday. They all behaved wonderfully and everyone seemed to have a great time. Even Mrs Cooper was up having a dance!! The disco raised an **AMAZING £474** which will go towards funding the new iPads which are to be used across the school, so thank you for your support.

On **Friday 16th March** we will be having another Movie Night and there will be an Easter Cake Stall on the last day of term **28th March**. This will be run jointly with our fantastic School Council so please look out for more details when we return after half term.

If you have any queries, or would like to get involved with the PTA, we can be contacted via our email: fhpspta@gmail.com

Governing Body

Our governing body are very active in supporting the school. They hold three main roles which include; ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction. Holding the headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils, and the performance management of staff. They also oversee the financial performance of the school and make sure its money is well spent

If you would like to find out more about the governing body then do look out for future newsletter updates.

University Afternoons

We are looking for helpers to assist our University afternoons. We would love to have any hairdressers, beauticians, mechanics, electricians, carpenters, doctors, nurses, dentists or other interesting occupations to come in and show the children what they do and let the children have some hands on experience of life in certain careers. Alternatively if you have a skill you would like to share with the children then please contact the office. We are happy to

support you in the delivery, in any way we can, as this can be a daunting task!

Football Success!



I am so proud of the children who represented our school yesterday in an away 'friendly' match against my old school – Harston and Newton. Happily the team won 4-2. I have been given some very positive feedback about the behaviour of the children and hope that this will pave the way to further competition. There will definitely be a return match with Harston and Newton which we will host next half term.

A big thank you to Mr Yeomans and Mrs Mckay who put a lot of work into the team. Also thank you to Mr Cox, my former colleague and a Reception child's dad who offered us the chance and hosted our first match.

I hope you enjoy a well-earned rest with your families over half term. I am really looking forward to spending a week with my children, my youngest turns 3 next week so there will be jubilation in the Worth household and probably a fudged attempt at a cake – I am no baker! Mr Worth has agreed to construct a trampoline in the back garden which can only mean comedy will ensue there too. Fun times, see you on the other side!

Kind regards,

Claire Worth

Headteacher