

# The FenHil News

'Respect, Honesty, Kindness and Collaboration'

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## **PTA News**

A reminder that our first PTA disco is next Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> October. Please can Infant reply slips be returned to school by **Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> October?**

The Infant disco is straight after school and runs to 4.30 pm. As it's a whole school non-uniform day (no donation required), the children can come dressed ready to dance! The Junior disco is from 5.30–7.00 pm (doors open 5.15 pm) and costs £2 on the door. There will be refreshments and merchandise for sale, plus a raffle with some exciting prizes! Parents/carers should collect their children through the fire door in the school hall at the end of the disco.

**Reminder** – the AGM will be held on Monday, 8 October at 7.00 pm at school. Please come along, and bring your great ideas to help the PTA put on some great events, while raising funds for our wonderful school. We promise we're organised, so the meeting won't take long!

PTA Dates for your diary:

AGM - Mon 8th Oct 7pm

Disco - Fri 12th Oct

Movie Night - Fri 9th Nov

Bag2School – Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Nov

Christmas Fayre - Fri 30th Nov

## **PTA of the Year!**

You may have seen yesterday's tweet or the article in Term Time Magazine that our wonderful PTA have won PTA of the Year! We are so grateful for everything the PTA do to support our school and now more than ever, those key additional funds. Please, if you can make the AGM on Monday, come along and find out about what they do, you can commit to as little or as much as you wish.

## **Lunchtime Football – Mr Yeomans**

As of Monday 8<sup>th</sup> of October, Over & In will be providing specific lunchtime football supervision on a trial basis. Boys and girls of all primary schools love football at lunch times, for some (including me when I was a young lad) it is the highlight of their day. However, we all know that with this passion comes disagreement and argument. In a lot of schools, football is banned purely for this reason.

We offer a service in the local area where a coach comes in to school at lunch times and specifically focuses on refereeing and educating the players on how to enjoy playing football fairly and competitively without this resulting in argument and unhappiness. The results of this work in a number of different ways...

The players of lunch time football begin to learn how to deal with disagreements with the supervision of an adult who knows the rules and can explain things thoroughly. The end goal for us is that we get to a situation where the children learn this concept so well that we then stand back and supervise and let them figure out their issues alone. Therefore teaching the children to be responsible with how to deal with problems, is something they can hold onto in later life.

The midday supervisors don't have to worry about what goes on, on the football pitch (which notoriously amounts to a large proportion of playtime upset) and can focus their time on the remainder of the children enjoying their lunch time.

The children will enter the school after their lunch time in a much more reasonable and level-headed manor after not having their disgruntlement unfairly dealt with, or having their beloved football taken away.

I'm confident that this will have a positive effect on the lunch time hour and on the children and staff within the school.

Ben Yeomans  
Over and In

### **Travelling Safely to School**

Please ensure that if your children are cycling to school that they wear a helmet and are spoken to about road safety. This is something that is covered in Bikeability, however we have had a few incidents this week that have compromised the safety of both the children and drivers. Similarly, please do talk to your children about riding safely through the church yard as this is another area we have had incidents happen. Children should also dismount from scooters and bikes at the school gate. This applies to younger siblings too. Thank you for your cooperation.

### **Art Gallery**

During University afternoons, Mrs Flinders has been running art sessions. Each week she looks at a new artist with the children and then they produce a piece of art based on the artist's techniques. The children have studied Jackson Pollock, Paul Klee, Frieda Kahlo and William Turner. The pieces that the children have produced are astonishingly good and we would like to showcase these to you during an Art Gallery on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October, straight after school finishing at 4pm.

### **Spare PE kit**

We seem to have mislaid many of our spare PE kit t-shirts. Please can you take a look at home in case these have made their way there? They are plain white and are labelled 'school'. We do not expect you to wash them, as we do this in school.

School has a fantastic feel about it this term, children's learning is progressing well and there is an ever increasing variety of extra-curricular activities on offer.

Thank you for your continued support and co-operation.

Kind regards,  
Claire Worth,  
Headteacher