



**Airwaves 12 October 2018**

**No. 6**

Dear Parents and Carers

Slips are going home with the children today with times of your parents' evenings appointments next week. Please check your child's bag for this. We look forward to seeing you then.

Thank you for supporting the Book Fair this week. A fantastic £281 was raised in commission to spend on books for the school library or classrooms.

### **Sunflowers class assembly**

Yesterday, Sunflowers shared their learning in a wonderful class assembly. They had made moving toys and had written some amazing Paddington-themed recounts as well as showing off their creative side with self-portraits and a song. Well done Sunflowers!

Next week it is the turn of Doves class to show us what they have been learning.

### **Ely Cathedral visit**

On Friday 5 October, Year 6 visited Ely Cathedral along with many other Church of England schools. The day focused on WW1 and Remembrance. It was an interesting and spiritual day for both children and staff.

### **English Challenge**

On Tuesday 2nd October, 4 Year 6 pupils (George, Sophie, Dominic and Joe) took part in the local heats of the county English Challenge. There were 5 rounds altogether, which were, book quiz, memory, basic skills, text types and a bonus round. We scored most highly in the Bonus round which was about Horrible Histories books. At the end of the event, points were counted up and .... we drew for first place with Stapleford primary school! The final will be held on 5th December at Ely cathedral. We are looking forward to it!  
George & Sophie

### **Collecting children when after-school clubs finish**

A reminder that we have asked parents not to wait in school or arrive early for club pick-ups. Staff are busy cleaning and getting ready for the next day and there are child protection issues with adults waiting on the premises while children are still here. We're sure you will understand and will open the doors for pick-ups at the right time.

### **First aid**

Just to clarify what is possible for our first aiders to achieve with cuts and grazes. We wipe as best we can, but are not able to clean an open cut with anything other than a damp gauze. We then apply a plaster to keep the wound covered. If your

child comes home with a plaster, please check underneath straight away and wash more thoroughly. Thank you.

### **Mr Woodcock from SVC in school - Thursday 18 October**

Mr Woodcock will be in the Year 6 classroom from 3.20 pm for about half an hour next Thursday. Any Year 5 or Year 6 families who would like to talk to him are very welcome to drop in.

Please don't forget that the deadline for secondary school applications is Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October. If you miss that date, there is a chance you will not get your first choice of secondary school for your Year 6 child.

### **Parking**

A request from the bus company. Please don't park too close to the bus stop. It's difficult for the buses to pull out if a car is parked in the street too close to the bay. Thank you.

### **Vacancy for a Clerk to the Governors**

Please see the advert at the end of this Airwaves for a great job opportunity for someone looking for part-time work. Please contact the school office for a chat about the position if you are interested.

### **Education funding in Cambridgeshire**

An attachment is included on the website to make you aware of the current situation and the challenges we face in Cambridgeshire with our levels of funding. The recent schools forum meeting has shown that despite funding increase the pressures on the education system are significant.

Friends of Duxford School, AGM, 1st November 2018, the community room 7.00pm  
Due to lack of attendance we were unable to go ahead with the FODS AGM in September, we have set a date for a second AGM attempt. It is imperative that as many parents as possible attend this time as we are unable to run as a charity without an AGM and wish to do all we can to avoid an EGM and the folding of FODS. If you have any questions or for more information contact us on [fods.email@gmail.com](mailto:fods.email@gmail.com). The meeting is 30 minutes long, refreshments will be provided and there is absolutely no pressure to get involved in any way, we just need enough parents to cover our constitutional requirements.  
Many Thanks

Attachments are now available on the school website. This week you can find:

Funding letter

Halloween art club

Yours sincerely

Suzanne Blackburne-Maze  
*Headteacher*

**Don't forget - DX Club jumble sale tomorrow, Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October, 2-4 pm!**

### **Clerk vacancy**

The Governors are seeking to appoint a Clerk to the Governing Body starting as soon as possible. The role will include preparation and distribution of agenda/minutes, attendance at 6 Governing Body meetings (evenings 6-8pm) and maintenance of membership, attendance and training records. The Clerk is also responsible for advising the governing body on procedural, constitutional and governance matters. Administrative hours are flexible and home based. The post is for 80 hours per year worked principally in term time, salary at Level 3 of the CCC administrative pay scales, dependent upon experience and qualifications. Full training can be provided. For further information and to apply please contact the school office on 01223 712108 or email: [office@duxford.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:office@duxford.cambs.sch.uk)

Duxford (C of E) Community Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff to share this commitment. The successful candidate will be subject to an enhanced DBS check and medical checks.

### **Lunches for week beginning Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October**

	<b>Red Option</b>	<b>Green Option (usually Vegetarian)</b>	<b>Blue Option (Light bite)</b>
<b>Monday</b>	Breaded salmon	Jacket potato with cheese	Egg & cress roll with salad
<b>Tuesday</b>	Cottage pie	Cheese potato pie	Ham wrap with salad
<b>Wednesday</b>	Roast chicken	Quorn fillet	Chicken mayo roll with salad
<b>Thursday</b>	BBQ chicken wrap	Roasted vegetable wrap	Cheese wrap with salad
<b>Friday</b>	Battered fish	Crispy vegetable cakes	Tuna melt panini

### **Diary Dates**

Wednesday 17 October	Parents' evening
Thursday 18 October	Parents' evening
Thursday 18 October	Doves class assembly, 9.05 am
Thursday 18 October	Yoga and well-being day
Friday 19 October	House Day
Monday 22 to Friday 26 October	Half-term
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Creative Week
Thursday 1 November	Bluebells class assembly
Thursday 1 November, 7.00 pm	FODs AGM
Thursday 8 November	Individual and family photos
Friday 9 November	Remembrance assembly, 2.00 pm, followed by open afternoon for Creative Week
<b>Wednesday 14 November, 7.00 pm</b>	<b>DX Club AGM</b>
Thursday 15 November	Hawks class assembly
Friday 23 November	Grandparents' Day
Friday 30 November	Christmas Fair, 4.00-6.00 pm
<b>Wednesday 5 December, 9.30 am</b>	<b>Reception/KS1 nativity performance</b>
<b>Thursday 6 December, 6.00 pm</b>	<b>Reception/KS1 nativity performance</b>
Wednesday 19 December	Autumn term closes

