

# WEEKLY UPDATE

Issue No 15

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March



Thomas Eaton Primary Academy, Wimblington

## Introduction

I wanted to take this opportunity to introduce myself to you all. I am Nicola Jones and will be covering Mr West for the foreseeable future. I have worked as a Senior Leader within the Diamond Trust for several years and have been based at Glebelands School in Chatteris. I have been a Headteacher of a small school as well as being a Deputy Headteacher and SENDCo in two larger schools within Cambridgeshire.

I am looking forward to working with you all and hope that you will come and introduce yourselves.



## Next Week!

Next week is shorter than usual as we will **not be at school on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March.**

We have an exciting week planned next week. On Wednesday all classes will be celebrating Reward Day. We are expecting some surprise visitors on this day and I'm sure that your children will be excited to tell you all about it on Wednesday after school!

On Thursday we will be celebrating Easter. We are hoping that all the children will join in and create an Easter bonnet (KS1) or Easter craft (KS2). All classes will be involved in this celebration and each class will be presenting a piece to entertain you. The event begins at 9.30am and the cost of £2 includes unlimited tea, coffee and cake. **We really hope that you can join us for this event.**

## Celebration Assembly

During this Friday's assembly (23<sup>rd</sup>) we will be awarding rewards to the children who have made great progress on Maths Whizz as well as to the children who have spent time practising both on Maths Whizz and in their reading using Accelerated Reader.

Both Maths Whizz and Accelerated Reader are fantastic resources and it would be great to see more of our children accessing them regularly. As the saying goes.... "Practice makes perfect!" These resources will support your child in improving their reading, comprehension and mathematical skills so I would urge you all to remind your child that it is an expectation that they read daily and complete 60 minutes on Maths Whizz each week. Thank you for your support with this.



## Attendance – Pippa the Bear.



Autumn term attendance was 95.4%. Let's continue to keep attendance high so that children have the maximum possible amount of learning time in school. The week before half term our overall school attendance was 86.6%. We know that there were children absent with a flu virus and sickness bug; however, our overall attendance figure continues to be well short of 96%. Let's really try and improve our attendance figures this week.

Last week's figures were:

Reception – 93.2%

Year 1 – 97.6%

**Year 2 – 99.2%** Well done to Ennis class!

Year 3/4 – 94.6%

Year 4/5 – 96.3%

Year 6 – 87.6%

For w/e 16/03/18 there were 3 classes that had no recorded lates – Peacock, Ennis 2 and Farah classes – Well done!

### Newsflash

We are looking at the possibility of introducing an additional Premier Sport after school club so then we would have one specifically for KS1 children and one specifically for KS2 children. This way we could engage the children in different activities specific for their Key Stage. **Watch this space – more information to follow.** Premier Sports will talk more about this when they come in and deliver their assembly to the children on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April.



As part of sport relief week we are planning a whole school sporting activity which will involve all the children during tomorrow afternoon, Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March. The planned event will consist of walking a mile around the school field. Donations are not obligatory as it is **not a non-school uniform day** but if you wish to donate to the Sport Relief Fund then please bring donations in to the school office. Thank you!



Residents of the community were urged to nominate the men, women and youngsters who make a difference to our communities ahead of the glittering Pride in Fenland Awards ceremony that was held yesterday at Wisbech St Mary Community Centre. Mrs Anne Appleby (School Governor, Co-chair of the PTFA and volunteer helper) was one of the nominations from our community. There were apparently 27 volunteers in Mrs Appleby's category, but unfortunately she didn't win, but she still has a lovely nomination certificate and she is a winner in our eyes! **WELL DONE Mrs Appleby!**

## Certificates

We have simplified our Friday Celebration Assembly so that we focus on two children each week who have been **Stars of the Week** in our classes.

We haven't forgotten areas such as reading, Maths and handwriting – we will start special achievement assemblies when we focus on children who have particularly improved in different areas. We hope to invite parents/ carers to these new special assemblies.

<p><b>Peacock:</b>            Elliot Oliver – For working hard to complete his challenge card this week            Nancy Crick – For showing good looking and listening during activities</p>	<p><b>Ennis Year 1:</b>            Talula-Ray Perry – For great invitation writing            Lucy Goodwin - For great invitation writing</p>
<p><b>Ennis Year 2:</b>            Alfie Ridout – For working hardtop calculate fractions of numbers            Jessica Johnson - For neat handwriting and well-formed letters</p>	<p><b>Pendleton:</b>            Abbie Keane – For being conscientious in all areas of the curriculum            Summer-Jay Broad – For settling into Pendleton well and having a good first week at Thomas Eaton</p>
<p><b>Farah:</b>            The Whole Class – For a fantastic hockey tournament at Wisbech Grammar</p>	<p><b>Christie:</b>            Jayden Brown – For fantastic independent writing            Gracie Webb – For a fabulous attitude towards all of your work</p>

## House Points

Well done to the following children who achieved 25 house points and above over the last 2 weeks:

Peacock	Rosie Williamson <b>75</b> housepoints!, Zach Brown <b>75</b> housepoints!, Amelia Kendall <b>BRONZE AWARD</b> (100 housepoints!!), Elliot Oliver <b>BRONZE AWARD</b> (100 housepoints!!), Rosie Williamson <b>BRONZE AWARD</b> (100 housepoints!!), Mary Teelan <b>BRONZE AWARD</b> (100 housepoints!!), Zach Brown <b>BRONZE AWARD</b> (100 housepoints!!)
Ennis Yr1	Macy-Mae Hobbs <b>BRONZE AWARD</b> (100 housepoints!!), Clara Coulthurst <b>SILVER AWARD</b> (200 housepoints!!!), Liam Meads <b>SILVER AWARD</b> (200 housepoints!!!), Henry Brooks <b>GOLD AWARD</b> (300 housepoints!!!), Phoebe Meads <b>GOLD AWARD</b> (300 housepoints!!!), Lola Clifford <b>GOLD AWARD</b> (300 housepoints!!!)
Ennis Yr2	Charley Parrish <b>75</b> housepoints!, Barbara Kieres <b>BRONZE AWARD</b> (100 housepoints!!), Isaac Clark <b>SILVER AWARD</b> (200 housepoints!!!), Poppy Beith Bridger <b>SILVER AWARD</b> (200 housepoints!!!), James Robson <b>SILVER AWARD</b> (200 housepoints!!!)
Pendleton	Emily Smith <b>BRONZE AWARD</b> (100 housepoints!!)
Farah	Enya Saywell <b>50</b> housepoints!, Jaidon Willis <b>50</b> housepoints! & <b>75</b> housepoints!, Harvey Ridout <b>75</b> housepoints!, Archie Haley <b>BRONZE AWARD</b> (100 housepoints!!), Hugh Stevens <b>BRONZE AWARD</b> (100 housepoints!!), John-Paul Hopkins <b>BRONZE AWARD</b> (100 housepoints!!), Casey Keane <b>BRONZE AWARD</b> (100 housepoints!!), Abigail Millar-Kent <b>SILVER AWARD</b> (200 housepoints!!!)
Christie	Joseph Brighty <b>BRONZE AWARD</b> (100 housepoints!!), Mae Hickford <b>BRONZE AWARD</b> (100 housepoints!!), Chelsy Meads <b>BRONZE AWARD</b> (100 housepoints!!), Gracie Webb <b>BRONZE AWARD</b> (100 housepoints!!)

**Term Dates 2017-18:**

**Spring:**

Wednesday 3rd January 2018

**Thursday 4th January**

Monday 12th Feb – Friday 16th

Thursday 29th March

Training Day

**Term Starts**

Feb Half Term

Term Ends

**Summer:**

**Monday 16th April 2018**

Monday 7th May

Monday 28th May – Friday 1st June

Friday 20th July

Monday 23rd July

Tuesday 24th July

**Term Starts**

May Day

Half Term

Term Ends

Training Day

Training Day

**Term Dates 2018-2019:**

**Autumn:**

Tuesday 4th September 2018

**Wednesday 5th September**

Monday 22nd – Friday 26th October

Monday 29th October

Wednesday 19th December

Training Day

**Term Starts**

Half Term

Training Day

Term Ends

**Spring:**

Thursday 3rd January 2019

Friday 4th January

**Monday 7th January**

Monday 18th Feb – Friday 22nd Feb

Friday 5th April

Training Day

Training Day

**Term Starts**

Half Term

Term Ends

**Summer:**

**Tuesday 23rd April 2019**

Monday 6th May

Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May

Monday 3rd June

Wednesday 24th July

**Term Starts**

May Day

Half Term

Training Day

Term Ends

**Diary dates:**

Please refer to the school calendar on the school website for all the diary dates. This is updated regularly:

<http://thomaseaton.eschools.co.uk/website/calendar/166970>

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