

The Wroxton Weekly News



Dear All,

This has felt like such a short term and I wish we still had another week as the run up to Christmas is going to feel like such a long haul. This term's value of responsibility has been brilliant. We have been able to talk to the children about their responsibilities at home and at school, academic and non-academic and about behaviour.

Yesterday twelve children were selected at random from The Falcons to show prospective new Foundation Stage parents around the school. I ask the children to show them round as I firmly believe, that as a parent you need to know from a child's perspective what school is like.

Walking around with people you do not know, talking to them and answering a barrage of questions is a huge responsibility. The questions asked are never the same so cannot be prepared for.

The feedback from the parents was fantastic and in the words of them all, separately not together, was that our children are a credit to us. That in turn means they are a credit to you.

What a fantastic way to end the term.

Happy Holidays

April Guinness
Head Teacher

School Dinners

Please remember to log onto *Schoolmoney* and order your child's lunches no later than Tuesday 23rd October to ensure your child has a lunch for the week we return to school after half term.

You are also now able to order meals up until we break up for Christmas.

We will send out details of the school Christmas lunch when the date is confirmed.

*****Computer Club Update*****

Due to the popularity of computing club the register will be reset after the October half term. If you wish your child to attend computing club can you please let Mrs. Ruffle know. If your child does not attend for two weeks in a row they will lose their place. Children will not be able to join once the club is full.

Children Singing for Children

If you have not yet purchased tickets for this event and wish to do so, they will be on sale from

Henry's of Banbury,
52 High Street,
Banbury

from Monday 22nd October.

School Photographs

Please order no later than 25th October for free delivery to school.

Weekly Quote

"Leadership is about vision and responsibility, not power"

Seth Berkley

Parent Consultation Evening

Again we had a fantastic attendance from parents. Several governors were on hand to serve tea and coffee which was appreciated by many of you. Thank you to everyone who returned their evaluation sheets, we had a return of 73%. This was brilliant and more importantly they overwhelmingly positive. Thank you from the whole team because all too often we get told when things are not going well rather than when they are.

There were very few comments or concerns raised but I will try and address those below:

More regular feedback

Our response: Please always speak to your child's class teacher if you feel you need to. We will always agree to additional meetings for you and your child if we all feel this is an appropriate course of action.

We should be able to book 'back to back' appointments

Our response: We implemented the electronic system to make bookings (a) easier for parents, and (b) fairer for ALL parents.

Unfortunately we do not have the manpower or hours it would take to try and accommodate every individual wish. Of the 67 returned questionnaires only two had concerns regarding booking and times. We offer one late evening session to enable working parents to have the opportunity to come together if they wish. This time we also facilitated phone consultations for those parents unable to attend.

My child is very happy but sometimes feels that those who behave well all the time aren't rewarded as often

Our response: This is often a difficult area as when trying to modify unwanted behaviour, a high focus is put on the wanted behaviour of particular children. We will take this point forward into school development planning as the well-being of all is a prime focus.

Updates on homework and projects

I will ensure I follow up on marking policy with staff to ensure that feedback is given.

My child has been unable to talk to Tash (Play Therapist)

Our response: There is a box in the office which is guarded by Sqwark. Any letters put in there are picked up by Tash on Tuesdays and she makes a point of seeing those children even if only for a moment.

I feel at a loss as how to get my child to have a 'can do' attitude and also complete 'must' homework

Our response: Ensure your child knows the consequences at home such as, no I-pad time, special TV etc. for not completing homework. As children hit Year 4 and above they are kept in for not completing MUST homework.

April Guinness

Week ending 19th October



Eagles: Logon

Kestrels: Max

Kites: Bonnie

Falcons: Claudia



Sports Players

Eagles: Casper

Kestrels: Dylan

Kites: Daisy

Falcons: Mikey

Dates for your Diary

29 th October	Return to school
6 th November	Eagles & Kestrels visit to Think Tank, Birmingham
7 th November	Children Singing for Children, ST. Mary's Church
8 th November	Year 1 & 2 Cross Country Festival
13 th November	Years 3 – 6 Cross Country Festival
16 th November	Children In Need day