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MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

It's beginning to feel a lot like Christmas!

I don't enjoy seeing Christmas decorations and gifts in the shops in October or the start of the adverts on the television but I do love to see the start of the Christmas period in school. Preparations are well underway for this year's Foundation Stage nativity, the Christmas Fayre and sale and we have begun to make Christmas decorations.

The next three and a half weeks are some of the busiest of the year as well as being very exciting. I hope that we will see you all at the Christmas Fayre on December 6th. FOWS do an amazing job supporting the school and the upcoming fayre is one of the highlights of their year. The Christmas dinner on 17th December also promises to be our biggest and best ever now that we have 420 children in school!

Simon Eardley – Head Teacher

This Morning's Assembly Theme:
Reverend Ingham joined us to tell us about Advent.

Polite • Respect • Independent • Do your best • Everybody matters



Attendance

Last week our Whole School Attendance was: 95.52%

Gordon the Good Attendance Gorilla was most impressed by this class who had the highest attendance of 99.33%:



NIGHTINGALES

Shining Stars



Well done to the following children who all received a Shining Star last week!

Penguins: Joel Starkey	Magpies: Edward Gash
Elephants: Amabel Guttman	Iguanas: Theo Bostock
Giraffes: Amelia Silcock	Caterpillars: Cadence Edwards
Macaws: Michael Williamson	Nightingales: Niall Fox
Cobras: Reeha Mahmood	Flamingos: Amelie Stevenson
Wombats: NA	Armadillos: Noah Barrie
Sharks: NA	Toucans: NA

Reading Champions

Every time a child reads with an adult at home, they earn a Dojo point towards their class reward.

Our target is that every child reads **WITH** an adult at home, 5 times a week. This week's class averages were:

Penguins: 9.2	★	Magpies: 7.0
Elephants: 7.3		Iguanas: 5.9
Giraffes: 6.4		Caterpillars: 4.3
Macaws: 4.3		Nightingales: 5.0
Flamingoes: 5.7		Cobras: 6.3
Armadillos: 3.6		Wombats: 4.5
Sharks: 5.1		Toucans: 4.1



Children in Years 1-6 earn Dojo Points for their class by reading with an adult at home, demonstrating the PRIDE Code and our Learning Toolkit and for gaining House Points.



ClassDojo

This week's Dojo Scores were:

Elephants: 674	★	Iguanas: 322
Giraffes: 385		Caterpillars: 281
Macaws: 348		Nightingales: 380
Cobras: 555		Flamingoes: 431
Wombats: 302		Armadillos: 244
Sharks: 402		Toucans: 212



Dojo Masters

Our Top 3 Dojo scorers were:

KS1: Lewis Radford (32)

LKS2: Lily Carter (31)

UKS2: Henry Saidler (26)



Children in Years 2-6 are challenged to practise their times tables at www.trockstars.com.

These children are the most improved this week.

Toucans: Jack Heaton
Sharks: Poppy Hughes
Wombats: Cole Foster
Armadillos: Auriol Stronach
Cobras: Molly Smith
Flamingos: Olivia Mawby
Macaws: Daniel Al- Samirraie
Nightingales: Louie Clarke

HOUSE POINTS



DEMPSEY
132

MALLARD
84

NENE
54

FENS
119

School Nurse

By Mrs Nalton

Our School Nurse, Clare Harrington, will be holding a Drop In Sessions on **Tuesday 3rd December from 9 - 12pm**, and parents are invited to attend.

Please can you contact the School Office if you would like to book a 15-minute slot within this time to see the School Nurse.

School Nursing drop-ins offer a confidential and safe environment for parents to discuss issues about their child's health and wellbeing. Information and advice can be accessed and children and young people can be signposted or referred to other services.



Student Update Form

By Mr Eardley

Please can you send your signed Student Update forms as soon as possible to the School Office, even if there are no amendments. There are still 41 still remaining to be collected.

This is a statutory requirement every year to ensure that we have the up to date information for all children.



Thank you very much

Year 1 – 2 Can Learn

By Mrs Ellis

The Elephants and Iguanas have been reading the book Racing Bears by David Ellwand. In the story, Yellow Bear's car breaks down and he is unable to finish the race. As part of our Autumn term DT project, the children have been designing a new race car for Yellow Bear so that he can compete in the Annual Teddy Bear Grand Prix in a couple of weeks.

During our 2 Can Learn, many parents and grandparents joined the Year One children to make their race car for Yellow Bear.

They carefully used a hacksaw to cut a measured piece of dowel to make the axle.

We attached the axle and wheels to the body of the car, used a split pin to add a steering wheel and cut out a seat.

We look forward to customising our race cars next week in preparation for the Annual Teddy Bear Grand Prix.



We would like to say a massive thank you to all the parents and grandparents who attended the 2 Can Learn session.

Keep updated on your child's class Twitter page over the coming weeks for pictures of our completed race cars and the Annual Teddy Bear Grand Prix event.

FOWS Update

By Sophie Chambers (Chair)

Autumn Term Upcoming Events

Friday 6th December – Christmas Fayre (3.30pm-5.30pm)

Friday 13th December – Children's Christmas Sale (during school hours)

School Lottery

Congratulations to Stephen Mabbutt on winning £13.50 this week! Please help to boost our weekly jackpot by taking a moment to sign up by visiting www.yourschoollottery.co.uk and search for Orton Wistow Primary School.

For any parents new to the OWPS, this is such an easy way to support your school- please do sign up if you can and also let your friends and family know, as anyone can play!

Donation Friday-Friday 22nd November (Jumpers for bottle donations)

Thank you to everyone who participated in our final Donation Friday this term.

We now have a HUGE bottle stash-make sure you pay a visit to the bottle tombola at the Christmas Fayre on Friday December 6th!

Christmas Fayre Raffle Tickets

Thank you to the families who have already sold their raffle tickets for the Christmas Fayre and returned the stubs and money to school!

There are some fantastic prizes up for grabs, including our top prize of an Apple iPad, which has been generously donated by BGL Group. The Christmas Fayre is one of our key fundraisers and pre-sale of raffle tickets always makes a big difference to the final total.

Please help us by selling your raffle tickets to friends and family prior to the draw on Friday 6th December. Monies, slips and ticket stubs can be returned to the school office at any point in an envelope. Thank you in anticipation!



Teddy Collection

If you are planning to donate teddies for our tombola stall please may we ask that you do so by this Friday 29th November, in order that we can prepare them for their stall. The donation box is in the school foyer and was looking a little sad on Friday, we are hoping there's more unwanted stuffed toys out there looking for a new home!

Easyfundraising

Don't forget to help raise funds for FOWS whenever you shop online. Use easyfundraising to shop with over 3,500 big name retailers including Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS and Booking.com-and when you shop, you'll raise a free donation for us every time. It's that easy! Help support us: www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofortonwistowprimaryschool/

If you do your shopping on your mobile or tablet, get the free easyfundraising app on iOS or Android and you'll never miss a donation for FOWS. The easyfundraising app makes it easier to raise donations with over 3,500 retailers every time you shop online:

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/raise-more/easyfundraising.app

Year 3/4 Young Leaders Competition

By Mr Cowles

On Thursday 21st November 40 children from OWPS took part in a Year 3/4 Multi Skills competition. This competition was run by the Young Leaders from OWPS, Woodston and Nene Valley. These Young Leaders spent the whole day Tuesday preparing for the event, so they could run the competition without any adult support. Charlie Jackson, Olivia Fincham, Isla Richardson and Samuel Hales are this years Young Leaders, they represented the school tremendously well, showing wonderful leadership throughout the day.

As well as the Young Leaders, the 40 year 3/4 children taking part were a credit to the school, they showed fantastic encouragement of others and always had a smile on their faces. Congratulations to Nene Valley who won the event, Woodston came second and OWPS came third overall. Despite this, every child who took part will be awarded with a certificate for participation.



This competition is the first of 3 different Young Leader events throughout this academic year. The next two events will be for years 1/2 and years 5/6.

Applying for a Reception place and Tours 2019 / 20

By Mrs Nalton

The application round for Reception September 2020 will **close on 15th January 2020**.

Please visit the Peterborough City Council website: www.peterborough.gov.uk/admissions to apply.

Date of Birth applicable for September 2020 start: 1 September 2015 - 31 August 2016 start school in September 2020.

	Date	Time
6	Wednesday 27th November 2019	9.45-10.45am
7	Tuesday 7 th January 2020	9.30-10.30am

If you would like to book a place on one of the tours, please call the School Office on 01733 370646.

Coming Up!

This Week: WB: 25th November 2019

Grandparents Lunch Week 2

Wednesday

Year 4 trip to Verulamium Museum, St Albans
Foundation Stage Tour 6: 9.45-10.45am

Thursday

Year 4 - 2 Can Learn 9.10 – 10.10am

Friday

Sponsored Event day

Next Week: WB 2nd December 2019

Macaws Lunch Week

Monday

Football Match against St Michaels - Home 3-4.30pm

Tuesday

Year 3 Family Learning 9.10-10.10am
Year 5 /6 Football Nene Park Academy 12:45– 3pm

Wednesday

FS Dress Rehearsal 9.10-9.40am

Thursday

FS Nursery Rhyme Nativity 9.15am
Flamingoes Pyjama Party

Friday

Christmas Fayre 3.30pm-5.30pm

In Two Weeks: WB 9th December 2019

No Clubs this week - finished

Monday

FS Reading Café 2.30-3.15pm

Tuesday

Year 2 Dress Rehearsal
Chloe's Dance performance to CDC parents only
4pm

Wednesday

Year 5 Trip to West Stowe, Anglo Saxon Village
Year 2 Production - A King Is Born 2pm

Thursday

Honours Award Assembly 3 - 9am
Year 2 Production - A King Is Born 6.30pm

Friday

FOWS Christmas sale – 1.15-3pm

In Three Weeks: WB 16th December 2019

Monday

Alwalton Church visit

Tuesday

Children's Christmas Dinner

Wednesday

TOY DAY

Last day of term