

Thurlow Church of England (VC) Primary School Newsletter Friday 17th May, 2024



Laying the foundations for a bright future

Website link: <u>www.htpfederation.co.uk</u>

A little note from Mrs FitzGerald...

What a great job Butterflies Class did in their Celebration Presentation this morning, it was lovely to see lots of you were able to come along!

A big well done to our Year 6's who have been completing their statutory assessment tests this week - we are so proud of them! Please note we have needed to alter the date and time for Year 6 Leaver's Presentation to Monday 15th from Friday 12th.

Attached to this letter is a flyer for some parental information sessions linked to online safety, it is from the NCA (National Crime Agency) and is very much about supporting our children with their cyber safety and online choices. Whilst it is aimed at parents with children age 9 and over I am sharing it more widely as I know lots of you are keen to try and keep ahead in an area which is constantly evolving. The link to their website is here https://nationalcrimeagency.gov.uk/cyber-choices and this outlines information about the legalities as well as links to other information. Another source of information we've shared before is the UK Safer Internet Centre and again here you can find lots of support about mobile phone use, social media and games consoles https://saferintemet.org.uk/quide-and-resource/parents-and-carers

I hope you have a lovely weekend everyone!

Warm regards, Mrs FitzGerald



DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!!!!



PTA MEETING ~ ALL WELCOME! Wednesday 22nd May at 2.15pm

Along with members of the current committee, Mrs Feakes and I are hosting a meeting for <u>all PTA members</u> ~ remember every parent is automatically part of the School's PTA.

We will be looking at our calendar of events for the coming academic year and thinking about possible PTA fundraising activities as well as talking about roles within the committee ~ please come along ~ we need your support and there will be cake!!

| NATIONAL CURRICULUM ASSESSMENT DATES | | |
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| <u>Key</u> Stage One | YEAR 2 Reading and Maths Assessments (Y2) Teacher Assessed Writing (Y2) Teacher Assessed Science (Y2) | ADMINISTERED IN MAY (OPTIONAL) |
| | YEAR 1 Phonics Check | ADMINISTERED Week beginning 10th June |
| <u>Key</u> Stage Two | YEAR 4 Multiplication Tables Check | ADMINISTERED Week beginning 10th June |

FREE SCHOOL MEALS ~ ARE YOU ELIGIBLE?

With the current economic climate and continuing rises in costs to living, we wanted to remind families about accessing free school meals.

We strongly urge you to check, especially if your circumstances have changed or change unexpectedly and remember they are not just available if you are unemployed. The process is completely confidential and pupils entitled to and claiming free school meals are not identified in any way.

You can be reassured your child has access to a healthy, nutritious and tasty meal at lunchtime and is well nourished for an afternoon of learning.

In addition, the number of pupils registered will positively impact on school funding; in these tricky financial times this will provide much needed extra financial support to the school so please check and register, whether or not your child wishes to eat a school meal regularly.

CHECK HERE: APPLY FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS

OFSTED'S 'BIG LISTEN'

This initiative was launched earlier this month by Sir Martyn Oliver, the new Ofsted chief. He is seeking feedback on their work and they are keen to hear from parents, carers and learners.

The consultation is due to end on 31st May, if you wish to participate the consultation can be access via this link: https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/ofsted-big-listen

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Please check back regularly as additional dates added as and when activities / visits are confirmed!

Month of May ~ Year 2 National Curriculum Assessments

Friday 24th May ~ Hares Class Presentation at 9am

Parents, carers and 'special others' of children in Hares Class are invited to join us.

Tuesday 21st May ~ Renewable Farming Visitor ~ Hares Class

Hares Class, will be joined by a renewable farming expert to enhance their learning as part of their 'Sow, Grow & Farm' theme.

Friday 24th May ~ LAST DAY OF THE HALF-TERM Summer Half-Term ~ Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May

Monday 3rd June to Friday 7th June ~ ACTIVITIES WEEK ~ more details will follow

Monday 10th June May to Friday 14th June ~ Year 1 Phonics & Year 4 Multiplication Checks

Monday 10th June ~ Cambridge Botanic Gardens ~ Bumblebees Class

Bumblebees Class, along with their sister class at Hundon, will be visiting the gardens linked to their 'The Scented Garden' theme.

Thursday 12th June ~ 'NO JOKE' Play at Haverhill Arts Centre ~ Hares Class

Hares Class, along with their sister class at Hundon, will be visiting the Arts Centre to watch a performance of the play, 'NO JOKE'.

Friday 14 June ~ Bumblebees Class Presentation at 9am

Parents, carers and 'special others' of children in Bumblebees Class are invited to join us

Monday 17th June to Thursday 20th June ~ BIKEABILITY for Hares Class

Tuesday 18th June ~ Felixstowe Beach Trip ~ Butterflies Class

Butterflies Class, along with their sister class at Hundon, will be visiting the gardens linked to their 'On The Beach' theme.

Thursday 27th June ~ THURLOW SPORTS AFTERNOON

Join us from lunchtime for a picnic lunch followed by our sports afternoon

Friday 28th June ~ Fitzwilliam Museum Visit ~ Otters Class

Otters Class, along with their sister class at Hundon, will be visiting the museum linked to their 'Ancient Civilisations' theme.

Thursday 4th July ~ Year 6 Leaver's Trip to Pleasurewood Hills

Thursday 4th July ~ Years 3, 4 & 5 Inter-School Day

Inter-school activities with our sister school, Hundon ~ more details to follow

(Wednesday 3rd July to Thursday 4th July ~ Linton Transition Days for Year 6)

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

SUMMER TERM 2024 continued...

(Monday 8th July to Wednesday 10th July ~ Stour Valley Transition Days for Year 6)

Friday 12th July ~ Annual School Reports distributed

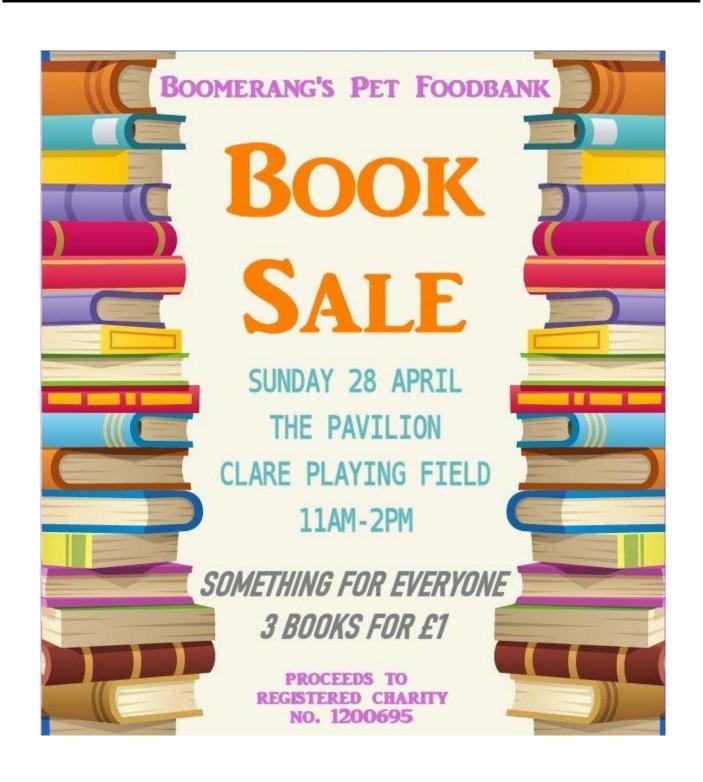
MONDAY 15TH JULY ~ YEAR 6 LEAVER'S PRESENTATION at 2.30pm

Year 6 Parents, carers and 'special others' are invited to this special celebration presentation

(Wednesday 17th July to Friday 19th July ~ Unity School Transition Days for Year 6)

Wednesday 17th July and Thursday 18th July ~ 'MOVE UP' DAYS for all pupils

Friday 19th July ~ LAST DAY OF THE SUMMER TERM





Cyber Choices and Online Safety Events

For parents / carers of children aged 9 and up

You are invited to attend two free online sessions to discuss all things "cyber".

These sessions will be suitable for parents/carers of children in Year 5 (age 9) and above. This will be a fantastic opportunity to learn and ask questions regarding your child's online world and it shouldn't be missed!

<u>Part 1</u> will introduce you to the Cyber Choices programme which will be delivered by the Eastern Region Cyber Choices Team. They will provide:

- An overview to parents and carers on what cybercrime is.
- What the risks to young people are.
- How the Cyber Choices programme supports at-risk individuals.
- How you can refer a young person into Cyber Choices.

You will also hear from Kent County Council's Education Safeguarding Team, who will provide an overview of:

- Some of the potential risks that children and young people may experience online.
- Advice to support parents to make informed decisions and keep their children safer online.

Please visit the NCA website to find out more about <u>Cvber Choices</u>

Please register for <u>one</u> part 1 session only (as these will be duplicated), by clicking on the link below.

Wednesday 8th May 2024 @ 1000 - Part 1 Book here

Wednesday 5th June 2024 @ 1300 - Part 1 Book here

Wednesday 3rd July 2024 @ 1600 - Part 1 Book here Part 2 will be delivered by the Eastern Region Cyber Protect Team. They will provide:

- Advice on how to improve your personal cyber security.
- Identifying and protecting yours (and your children's) key accounts.
- Threats and techniques that cyber criminals may use to target you / your family.
- Benefits of family accounts.
- Parental controls on your router.
- Signposting to useful resources.

The aim of the session is to provide you with tools and techniques to improve the cyber security of your family.

Advice and guidance from the session will be in line with the Government's <u>Stop! Think Fraud</u> and the National Cyber Security Centres <u>CyberAware</u> campaigns.

Again, please register for <u>one</u> part 2 session only (as these will be duplicated), by clicking on the link below.

Wednesday 15th May 2024 @ 1000 - Part 2 Book here

Wednesday 12th June 2024 @ 1300 - Part 2 Book here

Wednesday 10th July 2024 @ 1600 - Part 2 Book here

If you have any questions or would like us to cover a certain topic within our sessions, then please complete our <u>online form</u>.







At 1st Kedington Cub Pack we; sleep in tents, light fires, hike for chips, make new friends, gaze at the stars, sew on buttons, help our community, sing silly songs, earn badges, giggle, eat marshmallows.... the list goes on! For #SkillsForLife and lots of fun, contact us now!

Spaces Now Available for 8 yrs - 10.5 yrs olds!

Email us at: kedingtoncubs@gmail.com

