

# King's Meadow School



24<sup>th</sup> March 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

**KS1 AFTERNOON TEA:** On Wednesday, the mums and carers of the children in KS1 were invited into school for Afternoon Tea. The guests enjoyed delicious homemade cakes over a cup of tea or coffee as their children entertained them. The children sang songs, read out poems and performed a waltz. It was lovely. My thanks go to the KS1 team for organising such a beautiful occasion.

**YEAR 3 ASSEMBLY:** A huge well done to all the children in Year 3 for their wonderful assembly this morning. The children shared the work they have been undertaking on weather and climate during their topic lessons. The children sang about classroom instructions in French and read out their versions of the hungry caterpillar written in French. They also shared their amazing Picasso inspired portraits and the results from the experiments they carried out investigating fizzy drinks during science week. My thanks go to Miss Barrett, Miss Meyer, Mrs Babister, Mrs Devaney, Mrs Morgan, Miss Hazell and Miss Thompson for all their hard work with the classes, including organising the coffee bar.

**SPORTS NEWS:** On Tuesday, the football B team travelled to St. Edburg's in a must win fixture, if they had any chance of making the semi-finals. The game didn't start very well, with a number of players forgetting how to tackle and even kick the ball! At half-time we were 2-0 down and facing defeat. After a few words at half-time involving the words passion, determination and 'get stuck in!', the team came out in the second half with a much better attitude and gave some excitement to the travelling support. Once Jack Scott had completed his hat-trick, we found ourselves 3-2 ahead and were counting down the seconds until the end of the game.

Unfortunately the referee decided there should be 11 minutes of injury time, during which St. Edburg's scored a fantastic volley to equalise, and then were awarded a penalty to complete a 4-3 victory. Even though we lost, the team and supporters were very encouraged by the second half performance and will all look forward to the next game.

**HOCKEY FINAL NEWS:** On Wednesday afternoon, we took our hockey team over to the Cooper School for the North Oxfordshire Final. Having qualified for the event with an unbeaten record, the team were full of confidence and started well. Unfortunately, we couldn't put the ball in the net and could only draw 0-0 against both Harriers and Chesterton. We then came up against Deddington, who were full of hockey club members and our team struggled to get into the game. The game ended 3-0 to Deddington and heads were down heading into the final game against Brookside. However, there was still a chance of finishing 2nd if we scored enough goals. We put the pressure on from the opening seconds and had all the pressure, hitting the post on two occasions and having a number of shots head just wide of the post. We did manage to score towards the end, but it was too little too late. We finished the tournament in 3rd place, missing out on a trip to the Oxfordshire Youth Games on goal difference. It has been a pleasure to watch the team over the past few weeks though, and with a record of 6 wins, 3 draws and only 1 defeat, they should be really proud of themselves.

**FSU NEWS:** It has been another tasty week in the FS, the children have tried all the different fruits in the Handa's surprise story, including passion fruit, mango and pineapple. In maths we have been exploring shapes and creating our own. This week is assessment week and we are looking forward to sharing with you at parents evening the progress your child has made. Please continue to practise the tricky words on your child's book mark. Sarah Obinna, FSU Leader

**RED NOSE DAY:** Thank you to the School Council and Miss Barrett for organising this years' Comic Relief Red Nose Day. Throughout the week, they have sold over 500 'Red Noses', run a tuckshop and held a joke telling competition. Today, the school was a sea of red with children participating in a non-school uniform day. As present, we have raised £1117.30. Thank you to everybody that took part and contributed to this very worthwhile cause.

The winners of the 'Funniest Joke' competition are as follows:

Molly Jackson Lee - Blue Group FSU	Lillaiana Wesselbaum - Red Group FSU
Ethan Baynes - Yellow Group FSU	Charlotte Stone - Class 1
Sebastian Percival - Class 2	Violet Harding - Class 3
Beth Aprea - Class 4	Lily Hill - Class 5
Laila Higginson - Class 6	Isaac Babister - Class 7
Oliver Rippen-Gedes - Class 8	Harry Few - Class 13
Harrison Lee - Class 14	Roxanne Byrnes - Class 15
Elissa Cleaver - Class 16	

**DANCE COMPETITION:** On Monday, Miss Law's dance group will be participating in a semi-final in Swindon. I am accompanying the troupe and am very much looking forward to watching them compete. Good luck children!

**UNAUTHORISED ABSENCE:** Please be aware that all children are required to be in school for the entirety of the school day unless they are ill or have a medical appointment. Absence for special circumstances must be discussed with and agreed upon by the Headteacher.

**YEAR 4 PRODUCTION TO PARENTS:** On Tuesday at 1.30 pm and 6 pm the Year 4 children will be putting on their production for parents. I have been watching the rehearsals and it promises to be a brilliant show.

**FSU EASTER ASSEMBLY:** On Wednesday at 9am the FSU will be putting on assembly for parents. Please come along if your child is in this class. Refreshments will be available at the end.

**READING CHAMPIONS' TREAT:** On Thursday our Reading Champions will be going to Pizza Express in Bicester to make and eat their own pizzas. My thanks go to Mrs Ward, literacy coordinator, for organising this special treat for our avid readers. Our Reading Champions this term are:

Year 1 Sophie Sallis and Liv Babister

Year 2 Daisy Jackson-Lee and Noah Eley

Year 3 Ewan Biggs and Isabelle Croxford

Year 4 Seren Higgs and Laila Higginson

Year 5 Kiera Stevens and Kyla Caton

Year 6 Bailey Robinson and Beth Aprea

**NON-UNIFORM DAY:** Next Friday is non-uniform day. There is no theme and children can come in whatever home clothes they choose. The 'fee' for this is a donation of an Easter egg for our Easter Egg Tombola that will be held on the last Thursday of term. I thank you in advance for your support with this.

**YEAR 5 RIVERS & ROWING VISIT:** On Wednesday, Year 5 visited the Rivers and Rowing Museum in Henley. They completed a range of activities, including observing the impacts of erosion and deposition on the River Thames; exploring the permeable and impermeable materials that can cause flooding; and exploring how much water they use in everyday life. Stephen who is one of the tutors at the museum wrote:

*King's Meadow School has been an absolute pleasure to work with today. The children have been engaged in all of the activities despite the wet weather on the week. They are extremely polite, well behaved and a joy to spend the day with. In addition, the teachers and helpers were brilliant. We do hope that you will come and visit us again. Stephen (Tutor at Rivers and Rowing Museum).*

**CLASS 3'S ASSEMBLY:** Next Friday Miss Crockett's class will be putting on their class assembly. Please make every effort to attend if your child is in this class. Refreshments will be available at the end.

Have a good weekend.

Mrs L Daulton

Headteacher