



24<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Dear Parents,

**GIRAFFE CLASS ASSEMBLY:** A huge well done to Miss Greatbatch's class for their assembly this morning. They told us all about their study of Diwali and the Water Cycle. They performed a very catchy song all about the Water Cycle and mastered the words of precipitation, condensation and evaporation perfectly. My thanks go to Miss Greatbatch and Mrs Bell for all their hard work with the class and to Mrs Peacock for running the coffee bar.

**FSU NEWS:** The FS children have been treated to a variety of visitors this week from Andy the Postman, to Gavin the Police inspector and also Steve the lorry recovery driver. The children (and staff!) have learnt so much which has generated some fantastic play back in the setting. Thank you to all the parents who have volunteered their time for our "People Who Help us" topic. Please can we remind you that the children go outside every day and need a warm coat. We are asking the children to keep their hats, scarves and gloves/mittens in their drawers so as not to lose them. Many thanks, Sarah Obinna FS coordinator

**FIRE DRILL:** We held our fire drill today and I am pleased to report that the children evacuated the building quickly and sensibly.

**CHRISTMAS ART AND CRAFT DAY:** Next Friday the children will be working off timetable and participating in Christmas art and craft activities. Bright paper, cotton wool, foil and glitter will be in abundance! The children may come to school in non-school uniform, including Christmas jumpers if they wish. The fee for this privilege is:

KS1 - a jar filled with sweets or toys to sell at the Christmas Fayre

KS2 – a bottle (bubble bath, ketchup, champagne (!) etc.) for the Christmas Fayre Bottle Tombola.

**SPORTING NEWS:** We have seen a number of sporting events in the last few weeks, with some great team and individual performances from the children at King's Meadow School.

Tag Rugby - We took 3 teams to the Bicester Tag Rugby event earlier in the month with varied success. The C team, led by Tyler D, went on a winning run that got them as far as the semi-final. Some great play from Ben C made it a close game but we eventually lost out to Chesterton. The B team improved throughout the tournament and finished with a great win, while the A team only lost 1 game but lost out on a semi-final place on tries scored. Well done to all.

Year 4 Football - Having qualified for the North Oxfordshire Partnership finals, the Year 4's set off to play at Banbury United's ground full of enthusiasm. After drawing the first game 2-2 the team made their school very proud with a fantastic winning run. Zachery T and Lacey P scored some fantastic goals, while Ashton B played a commanding role at the back. Some of the football was exciting to watch. Qualifying for the semi-finals game the team had a difficult game against Langford who were also unbeaten. Unfortunately Langford scored 2 early goals, and despite a spirited fight back we were defeated by the eventual champions. A huge well done to the team and a thank you from me for such an entertaining afternoon.

Cross Country - Following on from The Bicester School cross country event, any teams finishing in the top 2 and any individuals who finished in the top 10 qualified for the North Oxfordshire finals. On Monday afternoon we took our Year 3/4 girls team, along with Finlay H, Jimmy M and Jasmine H, to Sibford School for the finals. The girl's team finished 5th overall with a great top 30 finish from Isla W. Finlay finished 40th, Jasmine in 22nd and Jimmy in 5th. Qualifying for the finals is an amazing achievement and a huge well done to all!

Football - The football season has started again for the Year 5s and 6s. The B team and girl's teams both began the season with a home fixture against Chesterton. The B team, started a little slowly and soon found themselves a few goals down despite the heroics of Oliver H in goal. In the second half, Oliver came out of goal and played a man of the match performance in midfield, setting a great example to the others. We lost 3-0 but we were much more competitive in the second half, which is encouraging for the rest of the season. On the other pitch the girl's team were putting on a great performance for the home crowd. Some fantastic defending and goalkeeping from Ellie C and Jennifer T kept the team in the game, while 2 great goals from Ella T sent the fans wild. A great victory for the girl's team and a promising season to look forward to!

Finally, the A team got off to a flying start with a 3-2 away win at Glory Farm. Having started slowly, forgetting that they need to work hard without the ball, we conceded 2 first half goals and have Edwin B to thank for keeping out a number of other shots. After a fine half time team talk (☺) we came out for the second half with much more intensity. A goal from Jack S and 2, including a last minute header, from Merlevaughn C send the away team into wild celebrations. They were amazing in the second half, with great saves from Alfie F and a man of the match performance in defence from Tom C. Onto next week and home fixtures against Bure Park.

Steve Roberts – P.E Co-ordinator

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

**COMEDY NIGHT:** Tickets are still available for tonight's Comedy Club, £10 in advance and £13 on the door. Doors open at 7.15pm. Please come along and support the school at what promises to be a fun night.

Have a good weekend.



**Mrs L Daulton**  
Headteacher