

Dear Parents, 2nd February 2018

PUFFIN CLASS ASSEMBLY: Well done to Puffin class for their lovely assembly this morning. They showcased work from their study of the topic 'Houses'. Everyone particularly enjoyed their musical rendition of 'The Three Little Pigs'. My thanks go to Miss Ryczowski and Miss Fullbrook for all their hard work with the class.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNORS: We believe that King's Meadow is a fantastic school but in order to keep improving we have a School Development Plan. One part of the School Development plan is looking at how the school can be a healthy school. Many studies have taken place that show children with better health and wellbeing are likely to achieve better academically. We want all children from King's Meadow Primary School to be able to achieve the best that they can. With this in mind Miss Meyer, Mrs Obinna and Mr Laurie, with support from link governors Mrs Fowler and Mr Eley, are taking a lead in the implementation of King's Meadow as a healthy school. The work has already started with questionnaires being completed by children and food technology becoming part of their curriculum. Mrs Smith is available during morning break to help those children that wish to tend to the vegetable beds and studio garden. As the year goes on we will be reintroducing the morning mile but this time it will be at lunch times to give more children an opportunity to be involved. There will be a Healthy-Eating Week beginning the 9th July, which will have lots of activities including The Big Soup Challenge - using ingredients grown in school to make soup and a Healthy Selfie Competition. These are just some of the things that will be going on throughout the year. We believe that being a healthy school is an integral part in developing children's health, wellbeing and attainment. We would like this to be a whole community approach with great partnership between parents, staff, children and governors. My challenge for you as a family this coming week is to try a new food, cook together or go on a walk together. I hope you have a great weekend. Mark Eley, School Governor

WOODLANDS INFORMATION EVENING: On Monday at 6:00pm there is an information evening for the parents of the current Year 5 children who will be going to Woodlands in September as Year 6. If your child is in this cohort then please come along and find out what the children will need for this trip, what they will be doing, costings etc.

FSU NEWS: This week the 3 Billy Goats Gruff have visited the Foundation Stage and the children have created bridges and acted out the story. Outside we carried out a bird watch for the RSPB and were very excited to see some red kites! On Wednesday afternoon we were lucky to have a visitor from UK British Cycling showing us how to use balance bikes. This was a fabulous opportunity to observe the children's physical skills at cycling and has enthused the staff and children to get cycling more. Sarah Obinna, FSU leader

MULTISKILLS: On Wednesday Year 2 went to a Multiskills event at Bicester Leisure Centre. They had a fantastic time learning new skills in balance, coordination, speed and strength. They were extremely tired after a 2 hour event. They were accompanied by ten Year 6 pupils and as 'Young Leaders' they demonstrated each workout station and encouraged participation.

ONLINE SAFETY: On Wednesday there will be a presentation for parents on online safety from 7:00pm - 8:30pm in the ICT suite. This is for adults only and no childcare will be available at the school. I hope that many of you will be able to join us.

CROSSING PATROL: Please note that there will be no crossing patrol next Friday, 9th February 2018.

ELEPHANT CLASS ASSEMBLY: Next Friday Miss Golden'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.

END OF TERM: Please note that the school closes next Friday, at the usual time, for the February half term holiday.

Have a good weekend

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