



Dear Parents,

2nd March 2018

SCHOOL CLOSURE: As the school was closed on Friday due to the poor weather conditions, we were not able to send out last week's newsletter. So here it is – a couple of days late.

MOBILE PHONES: I would just like to remind you that children are not allowed to use mobile phones in school. If a child is caught with a phone, then it will be confiscated and will need to be collected by the parent on the Friday after school. I thank you for your support with this.

'P' FACTOR: On Wednesday we held our 'P' Factor (Poetry) final in the school hall. It was well attended by parents and was judged by Bicester Town Mayor, Councillor Les Sibley. The mayor was most impressed by the quality of the performances and found choosing the winners very tricky indeed. The finalists were all fantastic and, as Mrs Ward pointed out to the children, we have some pupils who are destined for the West End Stage! Videos of the winners will be uploaded onto the school website – they are excellent so please have a look. I would like to thank Mrs Ward for organising this competition for the school and all the children who participated. The winners were:

Bluebird	Finley H; Billy D; Lexi-Mae W
Flamingo	Isabelle B; Sonja B; Krzysztof S
Giraffe	Toby H; Freddy T; Harry W; Lola L
Snowy Owl	Ella T; Jasmine H; Chloe B; Jennifer T; Willow J

HENLEY TRIP: On Monday, Year 5 went on an excellent educational visit to the Henley River and Rowing Museum. The children explored rivers in a practical way by carrying out investigations involving erosion, deposition and different types of rocks. They also wrapped up warm in order to venture out into the cold to explore meanders and floodplains during a river walk along the River Thames. Finally, they had time to explore the museum area. All the children enjoyed having a go on the rowing machine! The Year 5 Team

SCIENCE: This week the children were visited by Cosmic Chris from Atomic Science. We were treated to an assembly all about air. A small group of children from every class completed a practical workshop about magnets. It was great fun to see what was magnetic in the studio and watching the children try to push two north poles against each other! Atomic Science, an external organisation, will be offering an after school club on Wednesdays in the summer term. Your child will come home with a leaflet today with details of how to sign your child up and pay for the club.
Miss Gray, Science Coordinator.

FSU NEWS: This week's focus has been the story of Red Riding Hood; the children have created maps and been to the woodland area to hunt for number clues from the wolf. On Tuesday morning we were treated to a fabulous science assembly from Cosmic Chris and on Wednesday afternoon we were very proud to watch our poetry performances, well done to the winners in Bluebird class.
Mrs S. Obinna, FSU Leader

HANDWRITING COMPETITION: Next Thursday, 8th March, we are holding this term's handwriting competition. As we have been celebrating Poetry for World Book Day, we decided to carry on with

this theme for the competition. Each child will be copying out a poem in their best and neatest handwriting. Winners will be announced in the newsletter and their work will be displayed in school. Good luck everyone!

BAGS 2 SCHOOL: The Bags2School charity will be collecting second hand clothing donations next Wednesday 7th March. Please note that bags may not be left before this date. Thank you.

KINGFISHER ASSEMBLY: Next Friday Miss Meyer's class will be putting on their class assembly at 9am in the school hall. Refreshments will be available at the end. Please make every effort to attend if your child is in this class.

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Mrs L Daulton
Headteacher