



Dear Parents,

3rd May 2019

LION CLASS ASSEMBLY: A huge well done to Ms Rainer's class for their brilliant assembly this morning. They showcased work from across the curriculum and I was particularly impressed by their retelling of Eric Carle's 'The Hungry Caterpillar' in French. Tres bien mes enfants! I also enjoyed their performance of Queen's 'We Will Rock You' at the end. My thanks got to Ms Rainer, Mrs Bell and Mrs Hughes for all their hard work with the class.

Y3 TEACHING ARRANGEMENTS: As reported earlier this year, Ms Rainer will be taking over as the FSU leader at the start of term 6, when Mrs Obinna moves to her new school. Lion class will be taught by Mrs Knights and Mrs Newton for the final 7 weeks of term. Both teachers are using this term to liaise with Ms Rainer and familiarise themselves with the children and their learning. Ms Rainer will also be on hand to offer any advice should the need arise.

On Wednesday we held interviews for a new Y3 teacher. We had a lot of applicants and the field was very strong. I am pleased to announce that we have appointed Miss Bridie Roche to teach in Y3 from September. I am very much looking forward to working with and getting to know Miss Roche.

SPORTING NEWS: Another busy week of football at King's Meadow and some more fantastic performances from the A, B and girls teams. On Wednesday we saw the visit of Longfields for an A league and girls fixture. The girls were in buoyant mood having already qualified for the final, but I set them the task of finishing the league unbeaten and joint top of the table. They did not disappoint and came away with a very confident 3-0 victory. Another 2 goals from Ella confirms her as this season's top scorer. The A team had a busy few days with games against Longfields and then against Bure Park. A great fightback against Longfields saw them come back from 1-0 down to win 5-1. A great captain's performance from Oliver and some stunning play from Merlevaughn was too good for the opposition. Zachary, Liam, Oliver and 2 goals from Merlevaughn completed the scoring. On Thursday they saw the visit of Bure Park and even though the starting line up was the same, it was a different team. We struggled to get tackles in, the defenders forgot to talk to each other and Bure Park took full advantage. The introduction of Liam and Isaac from the bench inspired a braver second half which saw lots more battling and greater confidence going forward. The A team look forward to their final game next Wednesday and a 4th place finish. The B team welcomed Bure Park B on Thursday knowing a win was needed to have any chance of qualifying for the semi finals. Captain, George, lead by example with a great warm up and great encouragement across the pitch. He was also able to pop up with a goal as King's Meadow came back from 1-0 down to win 3-1. Sam and Evan were also on the score sheet as they look forward to next week and a must win game against Glory Farm. Good luck! Mr S Roberts, Sports Coordinator.

PIZZA EXPRESS VISIT: On Tuesday morning, Penguin Class visited Pizza Express in Bicester to learn all about how to make one of their delicious margherita pizzas. They discovered how to create a thin, crispy base with dough and how to spread the passata sauce evenly by using a special tapping method. They then applied the cheese ready for it to be placed in the pizza ovens by the chef. In addition, the children discussed where the ingredients came from and had the opportunity to taste some, including basil, red onions and tomatoes. The highlight of the trip was being able to tuck into their pizza creations as soon as they got back to school!

FSU & NURSERY NEWS: The whole of the FS had a wonderful visit to Stoke Woods on Tuesday. We saw a carpet of beautiful bluebells, climbed trees, played in dens and enjoyed a tasty treat! Many thanks to those parents that were able to join us. Look out for photos on Tapestry and enjoy the long weekend. Next Friday 10th May, parents of children in both Reception and Nursery are warmly invited to join us in the classrooms from 9am for some activities with the children. Mrs S Obinna, Assistant Head

MESSAGE FROM MR LAURIE: LONDON MARATHON: A massive thank you for all the support I received in the build up to, during and since the marathon last Sunday. I am not going to lie, it was extremely hard, but I loved taking part; the atmosphere around the course was unreal. As you are probably aware, I was running in aid of Helen and Douglas House Hospice, Oxford in memory of my son, Thomas. Several parents have asked how they can donate, and information can be found at the 'Running for Thomas Laurie' Facebook page. Can I also take this opportunity to congratulate all the amazing parents and family members at King's Meadow School who participated in London and raised money for other fantastic causes. Thank you. Mr Laurie.



Well done, Mr Laurie! KMS are very proud of you.

YEAR 5 BOOKFEAST VISIT: Next Thursday Year 5 will be travelling to St. Hugh's College, Oxford to attend the Bookfeast Festival. Please make payment and permission on ParentPay if you have not already done so.

EAGLE CLASS PIZZA EXPRESS VISIT: During the morning of Tuesday 7th May 2019, Eagle class will be visiting Pizza Express as a finale to their Europe project. We hope all the children have a wonderful time!

Y1 TRIP: On Tuesday Y1 will be attending the KS1 Music Festival at the Kingsmere Community Centre. I hope they have an enjoyable outing.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: We hope your children are enjoying our wide range of After School Activities. Payment is now due for all school run clubs. Please make payment on ParentPay in order for your child to continue to attend.

AFTER SCHOOL: Could we please ask that children do not play on the equipment or go into the wild area in the back corner of the field at the end of the school day. The outside areas of the school are used by the Koalas and the After-School Sports Clubs from 3.15pm onwards and need to be kept free. Thank you for your cooperation.

TT ROCKSTARS HOUSE BATTLE: Starting on Monday 6th May 2019 until Monday 13th May 2019 the children in Years 2-6 will be involved in a house battle of the bands. There will be a prize for the winning house and most valuable player in each house. To allow Year 1 children to take part in earning points for their house they will have a times table colouring sheet for which they will receive 5 house points for completing. Ms K Rainer, Maths Coordinator.

PTA REQUEST: Once again this year the PTA will be holding a teddy tombola and a used uniform sale at this years Summer Fayre on Saturday 8th June 2019. Any contributions of good condition second hand uniform and soft toys would be gratefully received. These can be dropped off at the school office any day between 8.30am and 3.30pm.

SCOOTERS: Please can we remind all parents that riding bikes and scooters down the school paths, as well as on the playground is not permitted.

IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK:

- FSU had a moderation visit and an OFSTED style check by the county. I am delighted that both were successful – well done team!
- Mr Roberts attended a PE coordinators meeting
- The Curriculum Committee of governors had a meeting
- The staff had further art training from Mrs Spearman and Miss Chevis
- Miss Ryczowski and Ms Chevis spent Tuesday continuing to develop the new creative curriculum

SWAN CLASS ASSEMBLY: Next Friday Ms Chevis' 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.

Enjoy the Bank Holiday weekend and I look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday.

Have a good weekend



Mrs L Daulton

Headteacher