



Dear Parents and Carers,

19<sup>th</sup> March 2021

**RED NOSE DAY:** The school had a 'Superhero' feel today. The children and staff all looked magnificent in their costumes and many had made a great effort. I will let you know in next week's newsletter how much money we have raised for this charity and if we managed to reach our target of running 1000 miles. My thanks go to Mrs Heason for organising the event and to Mr Roberts for his support with the 1000-mile challenge.

**DOUGHNUT FUNDRAISER:** I am pleased to report that we raised a fantastic £425 in our doughnut fundraiser last Friday. Well done to all of you who bought one of the doughnuts. If your child forgot to bring in their £1 then it is not too late – please send in any outstanding monies next week. Thank you for your support.

**COVID19 UPDATES:** There have been no new cases of COVID19 in school this week.

**IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK:** (All were attended virtually):

- Mrs Biggs and Mrs Targus Stone attended ELSA (Emotional Literacy Support Assistant) training on Tuesday
- I attended the County Council's Directorate meeting on Tuesday
- Mr Cox attended Mastery in Maths training on Wednesday
- I attended the Bicester Head Teachers' meeting on Thursday
- The Full Governing Board of the school met last night

**MR CHAMBERS:** Mr Chambers, our caretaker, will be off school for at least the next four weeks, due to medical reasons. Mr Chambers has very big boots to fill as he does so much for the school, a lot of it unseen. Various members of staff have generously offered to take on some of his roles so we will manage (just about!) in his absence. I am sure that you all join with me in wishing Mr Chambers a speedy recovery.

**MRS STANWAY- SHAW:** Mrs Stanway-Shaw, our Finance Officer, sustained an injury to her hand and is unable to be in school for the next few weeks. I am sure that you all join with me in wishing her a speedy recovery.

**MRS HUGHES:** I am delighted that Mrs Hughes' broken wrist is healing and she will be returning to work on Monday. We are very much looking forward to having her back – we have missed you, Mrs Hughes!

**PARENTS' EVENINGS:** Next week we will be holding our parents' consultations, due to the current restrictions, these will not be face to face but via telephone:

- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Nursery, Reception, Y5 and Y6
- Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> – Y1, Y2, Y3 and Y4

The booking system has now closed, if you have not managed to make an appointment for your child and still wish to do so please contact the School Office. The phone calls will be made to the person who confirmed the booking, please ensure that we have your up to date mobile number and that you are ready and available to accept the call. Please note that you will not be able to return missed calls.

**END OF TERM:** On Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March we close early for the Easter holiday, please see below for the staggered collection times.

Staggered Collection Times – please collect from usual gate:

- 13.10: Years 5 & 6
- 13.15: Reception
- 13.20: Years 1 & 2
- 13.25: Years 3 & 4
- 13.30: Nursery

**EASTER EGG FUNDRAISER:** To celebrate the end of term, we will be holding an Easter Egg fundraiser for the school funds on Wednesday, 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021. Your child will need to bring £1 to school on this date in order for them to receive their small foil wrapped Easter Egg. Your child will enjoy their treat during morning break. We are looking forward to celebrating with your children!

**SPELLINGS:** All spellings for the current term can be located on the School Website on the relevant year group pages. Please remember that spellings should be practised at home each week ahead of the weekly spelling test in school on a Friday.

**MOBILE PHONES:** Please remember that children are not to bring mobile phones in to school under any circumstances.

**THE MUSICAL BOX:** Please find attached a flyer from The Musical Box who currently provide music lessons in school. Spaces are available for drum, piano and guitar lessons during school time for children in KS2. Please refer to the flyer for prices and full details

**PTA FUNDRAISER:** The Mystery of Bicester's Lost Treasure: We would like to invite you to take part in a treasure trail around Bicester that's has been designed by one of our parents. It is a trail around the town, solving clues to reveal the location of Bicester's lost treasure. The trail is approx 4.5km, and will take 1-2 hours. Once you have found the mystery location, you can email your answer into the PTA and all correct answers will be entered into a draw to win a prize. There will be 4 prizes for the first 4 names drawn:

- 1st prize £50 Bicester Village voucher
- 2nd prize Fairytale farm voucher
- 3rd and 4th prize £20 Eat China voucher each

Easter chocolate comes with all prizes!

The trails can be purchased via the PTA Events website for £5 each. Each trail purchased can only have one answer submitted. The deadline for purchasing a trail is midday Sunday 18th April, and will be emailed to the booking email address with your confirmation email. The deadline for sending your answers in will be 9am on Monday 19th April. The draw will be carried out on Tuesday 20th April, and a video of the draw will be posted on our community Facebook page. Winners will be notified by email. If you have any questions please email the PTA - [kingsmeadowschoolpta@gmail.com](mailto:kingsmeadowschoolpta@gmail.com)

**ATTENDANCE:** The attendance for the school this week was 98.35% with Bluebird, Puffin & Swan classes all achieving 100% attendance, well done to these classes!

Bluebird: 100.00%	Yellow Wagtail: 94.08%
Red Kite: 98.75%	Puffin: 100.00%
Kingfisher: 98.71%	Swan: 100.00%
Flamingo: 98.90%	Giraffe: 99.07%
Lion: 96.30%	Eagle: 98.52%
Penguin: 98.10%	Leopard: 95.69%
Snowy Owl: 99.19%	Dolphin: 98.21%
Elephant: 99.19%	

Have a lovely weekend.

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Headteacher