

Dear Parents and Carers, 9<sup>th</sup> June 2022

**FLAMINGO CLASS ASSEMBLY:** Congratulations to Flamingo Class for sharing the work they have been undertaking in class last term. They showed their wind up toys, that they had designed and made during art lessons. They demonstrated their knowledge of word classes and structuring sentences in their writing. They also performed a beautiful song about the countries that make up the United Kingdom and their Capital Cities. Many thanks to Miss Ryczowski and Mrs Biggs for all their hard work in preparing and presenting the assembly.

**FSU NEWS:** In Reception, we have been reading the story 'Coming to England' written by Floella Benjamin. This true story, tells how Floella travelled from Trinidad to England, as part of the Windrush generation. The children were really shocked to learn that children were not kind to Floella and her siblings when they first arrived because 'they had never seen people with black skin' 'How rude!' exclaimed Harry and 'Our school's not like that, we're kind.' said Lexi. They were pleased that eventually Floella was able to make friends and even more excited that she realised her dream of meeting the Queen. This has linked well to our Jubilee Celebrations. We have also been listening to the music of the Caribbean and have really enjoyed steel drum bands, it made us want to get up and dance.

This week in Nursery, we have had Pet Week. It has been fabulous seeing all of the children's pets on Tapestry including chickens, rats and a tortoise. We have been practicing our speaking and listening skills, and the children talked about how they care for their animals, while the class have listened well and commented back. We enjoyed performing our assembly to parents on Thursday and lots of us are still singing butterfly songs during our play. This morning we were very excited to see that the first of our caterpillars has turned into a butterfly. Throughout the day we have been watching the progress of the next chrysalis as it's starting to emerge, and we had a glimpse of its wings unfurling.

**FSU STORY TIMES:** Next week we are very busy in FSU with both Nursery and Reception holding Story Time sessions. Nursery will be holding two sessions, firstly On Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June at 2.30pm and again on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June at 9am. Reception Year will be holding their session for parents to attend on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June at 2.30pm. Please arrive promptly at the front of the school where a signing in sheet will be available.

**JUBILEE PICNIC LUNCH:** On Thursday, the school continued its Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations by serving a Picnic Lunch. As well as tucking into their roll, vegetarian sausage roll, a mix of salad vegetables, fresh fruit and sponge cake, the children received a souvenir crown and activity sheet. The children had a great time. Thank you to the kitchen and office staff for organising this special lunch.







QUEENS PLATINUM JUBILEE AFTERNOON TEA: Today, we decked the front of the school with red, white and blue bunting for our Jubilee afternoon tea. The children all look very patriotic in their red, white and blue outfits. The whole school enjoyed the glorious weather and sat together on the grass in front of the school to enjoy their pieces of homemade cake and carton of juice. Thank you to Miss McGuire for organising this event for the school and to the catering staff for baking the cakes. Photographs of this celebration will be placed on the website in due course.

## IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK:

- On Monday and Tuesday this week some of our Y6 children participated in a Bikeability course
- On Monday several year 5 and 6 teachers received diabetes care training
- Music for Schools delivered a special assembly to provide information about the instruments they teach on Monday morning
- Flamingo class visited Bicester library on Monday
- On Thursday and Friday this week Miss Roche and Miss Meyer carried out the statutory phonics testing
- On Thursday this week the Nursery children performed a wonderful assembly to their parents
- Mrs Toes and Mrs Woodward attended an ECT PE training day on Friday

**ATTENDANCE:** The attendance for the school this week was 92.12%. The class with the highest attendance this week was Giraffe class with 96.30%. Well done Giraffe class!

Bluebird: 95.00%	Yellow Wagtail: 90.00%	Yellow Wagtail: 90.00%	
Red Kite: 94.50%	Puffin: 80.33%	Puffin: 80.33%	
Kingfisher: 85.67%	Swan: 94.48%	Swan: 94.48%	
Flamingo: 95.33%	Giraffe: 96.30%		
Lion: 95.36%	Eagle: 89.64%		
Penguin: 93.57%	Leopard: 95.00%		
Snowy Owl: 91.67%	Dolphin: 93.67%		
Elephant: 93.00%			

**CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS:** On Wednesday this week Tempest Photography were in school taking the annual class photographs. You will be able to purchase these photographs online and we will provide the ordering link as soon as it is available.

**PLANT SALE & NON UNIFORM DAY:** On Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June, the PTA will be holding a plant sale in the quad to raise much needed funds for the school. All children are invited to come to school on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June in non-uniform in exchange for a plant for the sale. We would love to see as many of you as possible attend the sale where we will also be announcing the exciting plans that we have for the quad redevelopment.

**PTA FATHERS DAY SALE:** Next week the PTA will be running a Father's Day shop for children to purchase a gift for a special man in their life. This event will take place during school hours and is for children only. The children will all be given the chance to purchase one gift for Father's Day for their dad or a special family member which will be presented in a gift bag. The gifts will cost £2 and if there are any items remaining once all children have had a chance to make their purchase, these will be available for sale on Friday 17th June 2022. You will need to send £2 cash in with your child on the day that their class will attend the shop. There will be no change available, so please send the correct money in a sealed envelope with your child's full name clearly marked on the front. Please see the table below to see which day your child's class will be attending:

Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> June
Giraffe	Yellow Wagtail	Snowy Owl
Red Kite	Lion	Leopard
Nursery	Flamingo	Dolphin
Eagle	Swan	Elephant
Penguin	Bluebird	Kingfisher
	Puffin	

**DOGS OUTSIDE SCHOOL:** Please be mindful when you are tying your dog up outside the school, that children will be walking past your dog. We have received reports recently that dogs have been tied to the school gates. Unfortunately, some children can become distressed at the prospect of going near a dog. The school can only ask that dog owners are considerate to the needs of our pupils. Thank you.

**PUFFIN CLASS ASSEMBLY:** Miss Roche's class will be putting on their class assembly next week. Please make every effort to attend if your child is in this class. Refreshments will be served at the end.

Have a lovely weekend.

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