



Friday 31st March 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,



Owls and Badgers have been enjoying the sunshine to do some paired reading. The tyre park and Happy Hideaway were favourite places to share a book!

Recorder Jamboree

Children in Foxes Class went to Oakham on Thursday to take part in a Recorder Jamboree. Lots of schools from Rutland came together to play different pieces of music. A fabulous time was had by all!



Castle Day

Squirrels class rounded off their term's learning with a themed day all about life in castles. The children spent the morning in training to become knights and princesses by completing tasks such as mastering a bow and arrow, making a sword, learning medieval dance and caring for a horse. In the afternoon, a real knight from Oakham Castle visited us and we learned just how heavy real chain mail really is! He then performed a ceremony to bestow titles on everyone. At the end of the day, the children were rewarded for all their effort with a luxurious banquet in the classroom.



Chocolate Bonanza

Thank you for all your donations of chocolate today. Please remember that the "Chocolate Bonanza" is next week after school on Thursday 6th April.

Tag Rugby



It has been a very busy couple of weeks for the schools' tag rugby teams. A team comprising of: Lotte, Violette, Greg, Freddie, Zach, Charlie, George, Leon, Brennan, James and Aaron represented the school in the Rutland Schools Year 5/6 competition held at Oakham Rugby Club. Conditions were very challenging with a very strong wind requiring the team to be very accurate when passing. Despite the challenging conditions the team were semi-finalists. The team's strong result bodes well for next year, when many of the team will be able to play once more.

A week after the senior team's success a novice team from Years 3 and 4 entered the Rutland Schools Osprey competition. The testing wind of the previous week's competition greeted the players when they arrived at Oakham Rugby Club. Many of the team had played little or no tag rugby before the competition. Their enthusiasm and confidence allowed them to achieve a very creditable result and all the team showed huge potential for the future. Congratulations must go to: Bella, Oscar, Thomas, Daniel, Lexi, Callum and Riley.

A few reminders:

- **Parentpay** – There are a number of small balances outstanding on Parentpay. Please could parents check and clear any outstanding debt.
- **Wildcats after school next week** - Due to the spotlight dance show next Wednesday there will be no after school dance - as this session has been paid for we will deduct the amount from next terms invoice.
- **Recorders at Church Service** – The recorder children will be playing at our Easter Service next Wednesday. Please can they remember to bring their music and recorder to school on Wednesday.
- **Kidzania** – The children in Year 5/6 (Owls and Woodpeckers) are really looking forward to their school visit next term. Please remember that payment must be received by Friday 21st April.

Best wishes

Mrs Exton

Dates for your Diary – Term 4

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| Monday 3 rd April | Year 1 Phonics Meeting – 3pm in Hedgehogs Classroom. Please come in via the side door to find out more about the Phonics Screening. |
| Tuesday 4 th April | Spotlight Dance Showcase (children in Owls Class and after school Wildcats club) The bus leaves school at 4.00pm for the <u>performance at 5.30pm.</u> |
| Wednesday 5 th April | Spotlight Dance Showcase – (children in Owls Class and after school Wildcats club) The bus leaves school at 4.00pm for the <u>performance at 5.30pm.</u> |
| Wednesday 5 th April | Easter Lunch |
| Wednesday 5 th April | 2.30 pm Easter Service at Church. Please join us at our local church, St Peter and St Paul, to celebrate Easter. |
| Thursday 6 th April | “Easter Chocolate Bonanza” organised by Friends of the School. Come along to the school hall after school to take part in different games and activities to raise money for the Friends of the School. |
| Friday 7 th April | 9.10 Owls Class Assembly to parents |
| Friday 7 th April | Last day of Term 4 |
| | Easter Holidays |
| Monday 24 th April | Term 5 begins |
| Monday 24 th April – Friday 28 th April | Book Fair available straight after school in the hall. Please come and support the school. A percentage of the takings comes back to school to buy more books! |