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Dear Parents,

Young Voices



After many weeks of learning over 20 songs and several dances, it was finally time for Woodpeckers to take their enthusiasm, energy and nerves to the Genting Arena in Birmingham to perform in a 6000 strong children's choir.

As a class, we weren't prepared for the excitement and thrill of being a part of such a huge performance. The whole stadium was buzzing throughout the day of rehearsals and then performing alongside up-and-coming artists in the evening, was out of this world! This has been an amazing opportunity and one that the whole class will remember for a long time to come!

One of the highlights of the whole process was to see the pride that the children had in their own accomplishment. They certainly did themselves and the school proud, in both their performance and conduct. Well done, Woodpeckers!



Cake Stonehenge in Foxes Class

Foxes class have been working incredibly hard to recreate Stonehenge – using cake! Bourbon biscuits, chocolate fingers and liquorice laces have been used to construct a copy of this amazing landmark. Well done Foxes class you have worked brilliantly as a team and I am sure that this will help you remember your terms topic for years to come!



Clubs

The archery club has now been opened up to children in years 3 and 4 - there are currently 7 spaces available; The link to register is;

<https://family.premier-education.com/courses/venue/uppingham-cofe-primary-school/id/12519>

YouTube

It has been brought to my attention that some children in school are using You Tube to upload videos. Please can I remind you that YouTube requires account holders to be 18, but a 13 year old can sign up with a parent's permission. Used safely, YouTube is a wonderful resource but sometimes amongst all the cute videos there is challenging and disturbing content that is unsuitable for children. Technology is changing rapidly and the children's skills are developing alongside this, sometimes much quicker than ours! If you are unsure about aspects of what your children are using online then please look at the following websites which have lots of advice for parents or pop in to see us.

Thinkyouknow - <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

Aims to empower children to identify risks they face online and to identify where to go for support

Parent Zone - <https://parentzone.org.uk/>

This is the website for the magazine Digital Parenting which we regularly send home

Car Park Safety

Please can I remind you that **crossing the car park and using the little gate to access the school is not allowed**. This gate is only for visitors and staff coming in from the car park. Parents and children must use the gates at the front of the school and walk round on the path.



Important Meetings for Parents next week

Hedgehogs Parents (Year 1) Please come along on **Monday at 3pm** to find out more about the Phonics Screening Test that all children in Year 1 will take later in the year.

Badgers Parents (Year 2) Please come along after school on **Monday at 3.45pm** to find out more about the Year 2 SATs that the children will complete in May.

Best wishes

J. Exton
Headteacher

Diary Dates

Monday 22nd January	Hedgehogs Class - Information Meeting about the Year 1 Phonics Screening 3pm in Hedgehogs Classroom
Monday 22nd January	Badgers Class - Information Meeting about the Year 2 SATS 3.45 in Badgers Class
Thursday 1st February	Open Afternoon 3pm - Come and visit your child's class and find out about calculation strategies and our learning in Maths week
Friday 2nd February	Height and Weight for Squirrels and Owls
Friday 9th February	Last day of Term 3
Monday 19th February	First day of Term 4

