

School News – Friday 12th July 2019

Dear Parents,

This will be the last newsletter of this academic year. It has been such a busy year with so many exciting opportunities for the children and it has been a real pleasure to see the progress they have made and their enjoyment of school life. This has been an amazing year for the school with our Good Ofsted and SIAMS inspections and I am very proud to work in such a wonderful school!

Everyone has worked hard all year and we are all enjoying our last week together and looking forward to the summer break.

Please enjoy a fantastic summer holiday with your family and friends – create some amazing memories and have a good rest, ready to come back to school in September. For those children starting at a new school in September I wish you all the very best of luck!

Best wishes

J. Exton

Music Festival

Year 6 children joined together with all the other Year 6 children from Rutland Learning Trust and enjoyed an afternoon in the sunshine! They were first on stage performing from their production and then enjoyed listening to other schools before heading off to choose from the many different activities. Football and cricket was played, faces were painted, ice creams were eaten and lots of end of year fun was had by all – thank you to the group who taught me how to play the ukulele!

Bugtopia

Hedgehogs had an enjoyable but hot trip to Bugtopia last Friday. The children had the chance to explore the variety of creatures and habitats within the zoo as well as observing a feeding session. Later on some of the children faced their fears and handled some of the zoos critters, including Madagascan hissing cockroaches, geckos and a tarantula called Amelia. The children were so inquisitive about the animals that they encountered and asked some well thought out questions in order to find out more.



A message from Uppingham in Bloom



Dear All

Thank you all, on behalf of Uppingham in Bloom, for your involvement with the school children painting the rocks. They are now situated and securely cemented in the bed at Mercer's Yard car park entrance. Lots of people have already stopped to admire them. Hope you will like this feature as much as we do!!!

Kind regards
Sue and Tony Streeter



Sports Day

Thank you to everyone who came to support on Sports Day. The children had a fantastic time scoring points for their team and I heard so much support from the spectators. There was a real community spirit during the day – thank you to everyone who came and a special thanks to the staff (especially Mr Heyworth) for all their organising.

An extra well done to Mrs Adams for winning the impromptu “Teachers Race” at the end of the day!

The winning team this year is ... Neptune!



Good news

Last week we were visited by Rutland County Council and I am pleased that the school kitchen and Stepping Stones were both awarded a food hygiene rating of 5 – the highest you can get! School lunches continue to be amazing with a great selection of freshly cooked food provided by Love Food. Menus are available on line.

Staffing News

At the end of this term we will be saying goodbye to a couple of members of staff. Miss Bird has been at the school for 11 years and worked across the school supporting individuals and groups. She has an amazing calm way with the children and will be missed greatly as she moves to a specialist SEN school much closer to home!

Mrs Muller, who has been with us for 10 years, has had various roles in the school from cleaner, lunchtime supervisor and teaching assistant in Squirrels class. She has played a key role in supporting children as they start school and I know many children have memories of their time in Squirrels class with Mrs Muller. At the end of term she will be leaving Uppingham C of E and moving on to a new venture.

We will miss both members of staff greatly and wish them all the very best as they move onto their next adventure! Mrs Queen is an experienced EYFS practitioner and will be moving from Year 6 to support Miss Hickman in Squirrels Class.