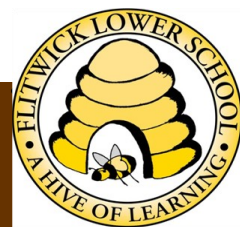


Flitwick Lower School

Newsletter No. 1



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KEY DATES AND EVENTS:

17th Sept—Foundation Stage Information Evening—6-7pm

21st Sept—MacMillan Coffee Morning

25th Sept—Harvest Assembly

28th Sept—Bingo Night 6.30pm for 7pm start.

10th Oct—Open Day

15th Oct—Parent Consultation Evening—3.45pm—7pm

16th Oct—Parent Consultation Evening—3.45pm-6pm

19th Oct—FLSA Coffee Morning at Village Hall 9am—11.30am

HALF TERM 22TH OCT TO 28TH OCT

29th Oct—Inset Day

2nd Nov—Individual Photos

2nd Nov—FLSA Quiz Night

8th Nov—Bag2School Collection

9th Nov—Foundation and KS1 Discos

16th Nov—CHILDREN IN NEED

16th Nov—KS2 Disco

20th Nov—Flu Immunisations

30th Nov—FLSA Christmas Cupcake Competition

30th Nov—Christmas Fayre 4pm—6.30pm

3rd Dec—Yr 1 Christmas Concert

4th Dec—Yr 2 Christmas Concert

5th Dec—Foundation Christmas Concert

6th Dec—Yr 3 Christmas Concert

7th Dec—FLSA Supper With Santa

8th Dec—Panto Performance—3pm

9th Dec—Panto Performance—1pm and 5pm

11th Dec—Christmas Church Service (Whole School)

12th Dec—Christmas Jumper Day

12th Dec—Christmas Dinner Day

15th Dec—Panto Performances 2pm and 6pm

19th Dec—Last Day of Term

3RD JAN—RETURN TO SCHOOL

HALF TERM 11TH FEB TO 15TH FEB

6th—8th Mar—Book Fair after school

13th—15th Mar—Yr 4 trip to Grafham

28th Mar—Grafham Assembly

1st Apr—Class Photos

5th Apr—Last day of Term

23RD APR—RETURN TO SCHOOL

2nd May—School Closed for Local Elections

6th May—Bank Holiday—School Closed

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The children have settled really well into the new school year. We have welcomed all the new Foundation children and they have been busy finding out all about school life. It was lovely to see so many of you at the Information Evenings on Monday which I hope you found useful. All the information shared can be found on the year group page of the school website.

The children have enjoyed the stunning starts across the school. Key Stage 1 had a space themed start and Key Stage 2 found out about Mayan culture. The term looks very busy so make sure you are using the school website and SchoolPing calendar to keep up to date. We look forward to working in partnership with you throughout the year.

PE KITS

Please remember that PE Kits need to be in school all the time. We no longer have spare PE kit to hand out to children if they have forgotten it..

SPARE CLOTHES

We are especially short of the larger sizes of spare clothes. If you have any spare shirts or trousers (both boys and girls) aged 7-9 or older please do drop them in to the school office. (Please note that we have enough of the smaller sizes at the moment, so it is just the larger ones that we are looking for.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

We are holding our annual MacMillan Coffee morning on Friday 21st September from 9am

Please do send in donations of cakes, cupcakes and biscuits (no nuts please) from Thursday 20th September.

We are really hoping to beat our total raised last year of £500.59, so please do give generously.

The children will be given the opportunity to buy a cake, so you can send in donations next Friday.



CHARITY WALK

Mrs New, Mrs Edwards and Miss Eames are all taking part in the Cancer Research UK half marathon Shine Night Walk on 22nd September in London. If you would like to sponsor them, please pop in to the school office, where we have a sponsorship form.

LANGUAGE OF THE MONTH (September)

This month we are finding out how to speak **Polish**. The children will be introduced to some basic phrases and find out more about the countries that speak Polish.

SENDING OUT NEWSLETTERS

After today, the newsletters will only be sent out via SchoolPing and to the email mailing list. If you require a paper copy, please call the School Office to let us know. It will also be available on the School Website.

KEY DATES AND EVENTS:

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HALF TERM 27TH MAY TO 2ND JUN

13th June—Dads in School

14th June—Dads in School

17th June—KS2 Sports Day

18th June—KS1 Sports Day

19th June—Foundation Sports Day

18th July—Yr 4 Leavers Performance and Presentations

19TH JULY—END OF TERM



COMMUNITY NEWS

VACANCY—KITCHEN Still looking for someone

The kitchen (run by LBC) is looking for a General Kitchen Assistant for 12.5 hours Monday to Friday term time only to start ASAP in September 2018

For a full job description and rates of pay, as well as an application form, please contact:

Nicola Gordon, Area Catering Operations Manager, LBC Catering Services
Tel: 01582 528213 or 07500 097107 or email Nicola.gordon@luton.gov.uk

PLEASE DO NOT CONTACT THE SCHOOL DIRECTLY

NUT FREE SCHOOL

Please remember that we are a Nut Free School, as we have several children who are severely allergic to nuts. Please do not bring in any granola bars or spreads that contain nuts.

SEPTEMBER UPDATE FROM THE FLITWICK LOWER SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Welcome back to everyone! We hope you had a great Summer break. A special hello to the new parents and carers who have recently joined the School; representatives from the Association will be coming along to the Foundation Information Evening on Monday 17th September to introduce themselves and welcome you!

At the AGM last Friday our Chair, vice chair, treasurer and secretary were elected as well as new and returning committee members welcomed. Committee posts have been filled as follows:

- Chair – Emma Gleeson
- Vice Chair – Cheryl Edwards
- Treasurer – Helen Glover
- Secretary – Jennifer Hill

We will be organising a range of exciting events throughout the year for pupils, staff and parents and we start the year off with **Mrs Barber's Bingo on the 28th September**; doors open at 6:30pm for eyes down at 7pm!

We would love to hear any ideas of events that you would like the Association to arrange, money raising suggestions or thoughts on what the money raised from our events could be spent on. Please pass on your ideas by talking to a member of the PTA committee or emailing us at flsassociation@gmail.com

Look out for the Association's Autumn newsletter!

The FLSA Association

Twitter: [@fls_association](https://twitter.com/fls_association)

Facebook : <https://www.facebook.com/FlitwickLowerSchoolAssociation/>

SALE OF LADIES PRE-LOVED CLOTHING AND ACCESSORIES

A group of parents, the Channel Babes, are raising money for Autism Bedfordshire and are holding an evening of shopping where there will be quality pre-loved clothes and accessories, including bags, shoes and jewellery. The sale is being held at Flitwick Club (next to Felicity Chinese Restaurant) on Friday 21st September 2018.

£10 early bird viewing—6:30pm
£5 entrance—7:30pm
Glass of prosecco on entrance

MUSIC LESSONS

Mr Nick Rhodes, who teaches instrument lessons in School has spaces for new children on Thursday afternoons.

If you are interested in lessons for Keyboard, Piano, Guitar or Ukulele please either speak to the school office or email Nick directly on nicksnakepit@hotmail.com

Payment will be made directly to Nick Rhodes.

GDPR

We are now subject to the new Data Protection Regulations. The new Privacy Notice is now available to view on our website. Please help us by ensuring your data is up-to-date.

If you get a new mobile number, move house or any other details change, please make sure you let us know the details as soon as possible. You can pop in to school, drop a note to the Class Teacher or email the office on flitwick@cbc.beds.sch.uk.

SCHOOL WEBSITE

Remember all newsletters and attachments are available to download from our School website at: www.flitwick-lower-school.net

We update the site regularly as well as uploading information sent through from outside agencies. Please check for SEND information and resources.