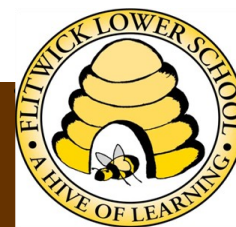


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KEY DATES AND EVENTS:

HALF TERM 11TH FEB TO 15TH FEB

28th Feb—Hummingbirds Assembly

6th—8th Mar—Book Fair after school

7th Mar—Visit from Korky Paul
(Illustrator of Winnie the Witch Books)

13th—15th Mar—Yr 4 trip to Grafham

14th Mar—Owls Assembly

18th Mar—Mother's Day Pop-Up Shop

21st Mar—Flamingos Assembly

28th Mar—Grafham Assembly

29th Mar—Tea and Egg Hunt—3.30pm

1st Apr—Class Photos

2nd Apr—Whole School Visit to Church

4th Apr—Foundation Assembly

5th Apr—Silly Sock Day for Autism

5th Apr—Last day of Term

23RD APR—RETURN TO SCHOOL

26th Apr—Foundation and KS1 Disco

1st May—KS2 Disco

2nd May—School Closed for Local Elections

6th May—Bank Holiday—School Closed

17th May—FLSA Quiz

HALF TERM 27TH MAY TO 2ND JUN

7th Jun—12th Jul—Freeze Pop Fridays

10th June—Father's Day Pop-Up Shop

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

29th June—Football Tournament

5th Jul—Fun Run 9am-11.30am

5th Jul—Summer Frenzy

18th July—Yr 4 Leavers Performance and Presentations

CHANGE IN ASSEMBLY DATES

Flamingos Assembly will now be on Thursday 21st March and the Robins Assembly which was scheduled for that day will now take place in the Summer Term, as will the assembly for Kingfishers.

A message from Mrs New...

I hope you all had an enjoyable half term even though it seems a long time ago now. I know lots of you benefitted from us having our holiday on a different week to most of the country!!

We had a specialist dance teacher in school last Tuesday, who worked with children in Foundation and Years 1 and 2. The focus was street dance and I know they all had a fabulous time and learnt some new moves.

The Association hosted film night on Friday and it was lovely to see so many of the children there and in character!

The 5p tower venture is underway and the current results can be found on the back of this letter. Don't forget to bring in your 5p's, the next count will be this Friday after school.

We sent a letter out to Kingfishers class on Friday to notify them that Miss Wood will be leaving Flitwick Lower at the end of this term. Miss Wood will have worked at Flitwick Lower school for 15 years. She has decided that now is the time for a new venture. I'm sure you will join with us and wish her all the best in her new enterprise.

World Book DAY—7th and 8th March

For World Book Day on 7th March, we have arranged for Korky Paul, a famous illustrator to visit the school and hold workshops with all of the children. To celebrate this, all children can come to school dressed as a character from one of Korky Paul's books on these two days. He is most famous for illustrating the Winnie the Witch books, but he also did "The Fish who could Wish", "The Dog who could Dig", Professor Puffendorf books, Dinosaur Poems, books about Sir Scallywag, "The Cat called Scratch", "Sanji the Baker", and many more. If you Google Korky Paul, you can see the complete range of books he has worked on. We look forward to seeing the fantastic costumes you and the children put together.

STAFF VACANCY—BUSY BEES PRE-SCHOOL

Busy Bees have a vacancy for an Assistant Playleader for 1:1 support 8 hrs per week, term time only, starting in the Summer Term. Closing date 8th March. Interviews will be held on 18th March 2019.

MISSING CARDIGAN / JUMPERS

We have had several instances of named jumpers etc going home with the wrong child. Please could all parents check the jumpers & cardigans you have at home.

VALUE OF THE TERM

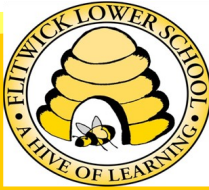
The value for the Spring term is **Inclusivity.**

We will be exploring all the different ways in which we show this and the impact it has on others.

TOY SALE—THURSDAY 21ST FEBRUARY

We are pleased to report that you raised a fabulous £103.10, all of which will be sent to Mad About Harry. Thank you very much for all your donations, both of toys and money. Thank you too to the School Ambassadors for organising and manning the stall on Friday.

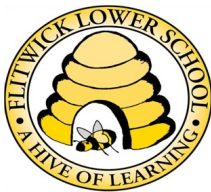
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COMMUNITY NEWS



SHOPPING ONLINE? PLEASE CONTINUE TO USE AMAZON SMILE

For those of you who shop online, if you choose to shop at Amazon, the Association could receive some money back. Amazon will donate 0.5% of the net purchase price (excluding VAT, returns and shipping fees) of eligible purchases to Flitwick Lower School Association. Simply visit www.smile.amazon.co.uk and select "Flitwick Lower School Association" as your charitable organisation of choice. AmazonSmile is the same as Amazon, so please use your usual log-in details.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY FROM FLITWICK LOWER SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Upcoming dates for your diary for PTA Events this term are:

PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE FOR KS2 DISCO—NOW ON WED 1ST MAY

18th Feb—8th Mar—5p Tower Competition. (Please save up your 5ps ready for this competition).— See below for this week's results.

Monday 18th Mar—Mother's Day Pop-Up Shop

Friday 29th Mar—Tea and Egg Hunt with the Easter Bunny—3.30pm—5.30pm

Thank you for all your support, The FLSA Association

Twitter: @fls_association

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

THE BIG BATTERY HUNT—NATIONAL SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

The Association have signed up to the Big Battery Hunt. This is the UK's biggest battery recycling programme for schools. We are currently awaiting delivery of the free collection boxes which we will send out to each child. Save up your old batteries for recycling as the more batteries we collect, the bigger potential for prizes—ipads etc. **Individual boxes will be coming home this week.**

For more information, please do look at their website at :

<https://nationalschoospartnership.com/initiatives/bigbatteryhunt/>

Results of this week's 5p Tower Competition...

1.	Hummingbirds	-	£ 59.70
2.	Bluebirds / Doves	-	£ 32.95
3.	Owls	-	£ 27.00
4.	Eagles	-	£ 22.90
5.	Robins	-	£ 22.35
6.	Office	-	£ 13.50
7.	Kingfishers	-	£ 15.00
8.	Toucans	-	£ 5.60
9.	Parrots	-	£ 4.70
10.	Flamingos	-	£ 4.25

Please do keep the 5ps coming and watch out for weekly details of where every class is in the league table!

LANGUAGE OF THE MONTH (March)

This month is **Hindi**. The children will be introduced to some basic phrases and find out more about the countries that speak Hindi.

COMPLAINTS POLICY

We have updated our complaints policy and procedures to be inline with a new DFE publication. This can be found on the school website.

Remember if you have a concern, you need to speak to the class teacher or a member of staff as soon as possible so they can help solve the issue before it becomes a complaint.

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.

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 flitwicklower@gmail.com.

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.