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Flitwick Lower School Newsletter



15th MARCH 2021

Message to everyone

It is so lovely to see everyone back at school. The children have settled back into school life really well, they love being with their friends and having time together. They are keen to get on with their learning and have been sharing all their home learning with the staff. Our main focus at the moment is to settle the children back into school and re-engage them with their learning. We are hoping that we will be able to have some of our summer activities, such as fun run and sports days in late June or early July, but we will wait until the government publish updated guidelines before putting some dates in the diary.

We really enjoyed seeing all the photographs you sent in of the children in their costumes for World Book Day. They looked great, it is always really interesting to see the different characters they choose. Thank you all for the effort you put in help us celebrate this day.

I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone for their patience and for working with us to keep the school open. I know it is difficult with all the different timings and the one way system but these are in place to help us keep the school working as safely as possible. I will be reviewing these procedures at Easter along with data and guidance from the government to see what changes we can/need to make. Until then please bear with us and keep strictly to the rules in place.

- * All adults must wear a mask when on the school site
- * Please ensure you keep to the timings for drop off and pick up... there are a number of children without siblings arriving at class too early. The teachers need this time to ensure they are ready for the day.
- * The site is one way so please follow the system.
- * Keep your distance from other people on site and do not congregate at the entrance and exit points.



Parent consultations

I hope you have all received the information sent out via PING regarding parent consultations over the next 2 weeks.

16th March - Jaguars and Turtles
17th March - All other classes.

24th March - All classes.

These are virtual meetings using the class zoom login details (this is the same as the autumn term)

You will need to have booked an appointment through the online system which was also shared with you via PING and the teachers will admit you at the allotted time.

RED NOSE DAY

On Friday 19th we are celebrating Red Nose Day. The theme this year is 'What is your super power' The children can come to school dressed as a super hero of their choice or even better as one they have made up themselves. If they don't want to dress up they can come in non uniform. They must have thought of '**WHAT IS YOUR SUPER POWER**' so they can share this in class and talk about it. Due to the current restrictions the children will not be able to wear their red noses in school this year.

We have set up a donation link on parent pay so we don't have to handle the money.

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?s-hopid=2895>

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Association News

UP AND COMING EVENT

The association team have been busy trying to think of some fun things for the children. We are putting together an Easter event for the children. This will be on **Thursday 25th March** after school. Further information will be coming home very shortly. This will mirror the Christmas event and will take place in class bubbles.

AMAZON SMILE

We have been notified that AMAZON SMILE have donated £70.47 to FLSA recently. (that's due to all the online shopping you have been doing) Please keep supporting us by using AMAZON SMILE when you login to purchase anything from Amazon.

THE INK BIN

We have registered with 'the ink bin' to collect small ink cartridges. The collection point is in the school lobby so if you have any old cartridges (I'm sure you must from the home schooling) please bring them to school for recycling. You can find out more information at www.theinkbin.co.uk

CATERING CONTRACT

As many of you will already know, Luton Borough Council are withdrawing their Catering Services Division at the end of March 2021. So, following the official tendering process, we are now very pleased to confirm that, from 1st April 2021, our school meals will be provided by HCL (Hertfordshire Catering Ltd). This should be a seamless transition as the staff are all remaining at Flitwick Lower School and Jackie will continue to provide her lovely food for us including our favourites of Roast Dinner and Funday Fridays. Over the next few weeks, we will send out more information from HCL on the company, the menus and also their online allergy system, which parents can access directly.

You will also be able to choose what your child is eating through a new pre order system. You can choose for the week, month or term.

Language of the Month

This month we are learning how to say some key sayings in **Lithuanian**.

Hello Labas

Yes..... Taip

No ... Ne

Good Morning Labas rytas

EMAIL ADDRESSES TO CONTACT CLASS TEACHERS

Dolphins = dolphins@flitwick.cbeds.co.uk (Miss Holyhead)

Turtles = turtles@flitwick.cbeds.co.uk (Miss Giles)

Polar Bears = polarbears@flitwick.cbeds.co.uk (Mrs Ficuciello)

Giant Pandas = gpandas@flitwick.cbeds.co.uk (Mrs Palmer)

Snow Leopards = sleopards@flitwick.cbeds.co.uk (Mrs Tatford)

Jaguars = jaguars@flitwick.cbeds.co.uk (Miss Scott)

Lions = lions@flitwick.cbeds.co.uk (Mrs Wallis)

Tigers = tigers@flitwick.cbeds.co.uk (Mrs Milward)

Rhinos = rhinos@flitwick.cbeds.co.uk (Miss Edwards)

Elephants = elephants@flitwick.cbeds.co.uk (Mrs Pekszytc)

These will be checked daily during the week and your queries /concerns responded to promptly. These may not be monitored over the weekend so if you email over the weekend you will have a response on the Monday.

TERM DATES:

Spring Term

5th Jan — 26th March 2021

Summer Term

12th April—21st July

Half Term

15th - 19th February

Half Term

31st May—4th June