Dear Parents/Carers,

We are at the end of term already and what a term it has been! Our open afternoon was a huge success - thank you for taking the time to come in and share your child's work with them. We had lots of donations for bags for schools which were recently collected and we are now looking forward to our next term which promises to be a busy one!

Values Cup

I would like to congratulate Finley and Alfie, Elsie and Jason for being awarded the values cup. They have shown our value of friendship which is great to see.

Cost of Living Support

If your child receives Free School Meals, your food voucher has now been issued for the half term holiday.

Please be aware that Swindon Borough Council will no longer be supporting food vouchers after the Easter Holidays; therefore, these will not be issued after this time.

Art Club

There are still places available in our after school Art Club next term if you would like to book on. This is open to Year 1 and above.

Football

Our boys football team played their second match this week against Hayden Leigh. Everyone tried incredibly hard and they showed good teamwork.

Girls football matches will be starting in January and we are looking forward to seeing them play!

Open Afternoons

Our next open afternoon will be on Thursday 28th November at 2:45pm

Parents Evenings

Please arrive for your parents evening appointment through the front office. Please do not park in the school car park.

Harvest Festival

Please bring your donations in from Monday 21st October for Harvest. Children can hand these to their teachers. This year we will be donating food to the local food bank. Swindon Food Collective is your local independent food bank that collects and redistributes donated non-perishable food and non-food items to those in need.

<u>WHAT WE NEED:</u> Baked beans, 1ltr bottles of squash, long life milk, long life fruit juice, small jars of coffee, 500gms / 1kg sugar, tinned fruit, tinned tomatoes, tinned puddings eg rice, custard, semolina, angel delight and jellies -PLEASE CHECK DATES BEFORE SENDING IN

Reading Ambassadors

Our Reading Ambassadors opened the doors to our library this week. Each ambassador then shared their own book recommendations and have been dedicating their lunch times to taking groups of children to the library to hear new stories.

Thank you to Joanne, Jessica, Jacob, Emily, Eva, Isabelle, Karma, Wilfred, Emily and Heidi.

Sports for Schools



We are looking forward to welcoming Jack Rutter on Monday 21st October for our sponsored sports event. Please remember to send in your child in PE kit on Monday.

Any sponsor money raised can be paid in via the QR code at the top of the sponsorship form (preferred) or brought into school from Monday to Wednesday and handed to the school office.

Thank you in advance for your support.

<u>Multi-skills Festival</u>

On Wednesday 6th November, Hedgehog class will be attending a Multi-skills festival at Warneford. Transport has been arranged by the school. Please make sure your child comes to school in PE kit on this day.

Youth Festival of Literature

On Monday 11th November, Years 5 and 6 will be attending a literature festival at Warneford. Further details on transport have been sent already via parent mail.

Parent Governor

Would you like to be more involved in your child's education? If you would, why not consider becoming an Academy Council member? There are currently two vacancies for a Parent Academy Council member at this school.

If you are interested in becoming a Parent Academy Council member but feel a little daunted by the responsibility you may be taking on, remember that full training will be available, and you will always act as part of a team. No special qualifications are needed, and the most important thing is to have a keen interest in the school and be prepared to play an active part in the Academy Council's work.

If you would like more information, please ask the school office and we will provide a pack for you.

Children in Need

For children in need, we will be having a nonschool uniform day - wear something spotty - on Friday 15th November for a small contribution of £1. All proceeds will go to the charity.



Remembrance Day

After half term, we will be selling poppies in the first week back from the Tuesday 5th November for remembrance day.

Upcoming TD Days

Monday 4th November Friday 20th December

Yours Sincerely Mrs Johnson