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Class 1 Visit Linton Zoo

Last week Class 1 visited Linton Zoo in the school minibus. They had plenty of time to wander around the park looking at all the different animals who live there. They were particularly interested in finding out which animals were most endangered, following some work on this in class, checking the information boards for each animal encountered. They also had the opportunity to see some animals up close and touch them. Good weather and such high levels of engagement made for an exceptional visit.



Goodbyes

Today we say goodbye to Bel in Class 4 who has been at the school since reception. We wish him well in his new school.

Today is also the last day for Ellie Bagnall who works at after-school club. We would like to thank Ellie for all her hard work at the club and wish her well with her new job in animal care.

Swimming

Our school pool will open for curriculum swimming on Monday 4th June. Children will need:

- Swimming shorts or trunks / one-piece swimming costume;
- A towel;
- A swimming hat;
- A named bag to keep everything in.

Children with pierced ears will need to remove them before swimming or leave them at home on swimming days. Children may wear goggles only with your consent. If you would prefer your child to wear goggles for swimming, please email the office (office@fowImere.cambs.sch.uk) or send them with a signed note giving your consent.

I will circulate the swimming timetable next week, but children should have swimming kit in school each day as occasionally our swimming days change due to other events in school.

Children are not allowed to swim if they have an open cut/graze or weeping infection, have a sore throat or are within 48 hours of diarrhoea. (Although they are likely to be away from school in the latter two cases.) If your child's diarrhoea has been serious enough to take them to the GP, please ask them to rule out a cryptosporidium (crypto) infection. Children with diagnosed or suspected cases of crypto cannot swim for at least two weeks. This is because the organism which causes crypto is highly infectious and is not easily killed by chlorination.

Congratulations to:

- Luca (Class 4) for his white belt award in kickboxing.
- All of Class 2 for their lovely Pirate Assembly this morning.
- Abigail (Class 2) for her 10m Swimming Certificate.
- Freya (Class 2) for her Level 1 Gymnastics Proficiency Award
- Harrison (Class 2) for his Octopus 2 Swimming Award.
- Archie (Class 1) for his Under 6 Player Award from Foxton Dynamos.
- Connie (Class 1) for her Level 1 Swimming Award.
- Zara (Class 3) for her Level 1 Gymnastics Proficiency Award.
- William (Class 3) who passed his Grade 2 Cello exam with merit.
- Charlotte (Class 1) for her Mini-Athletics Bronze Award
- Kyloe (Class 2) for your Level 8 Gymnastics Proficiency Award.
- Elke, Douglas (Class 3), Jan & Calum (Class 4) for participating in a weekend of rugby matches.
- Emily (Class 2) for her Level 2 Swimming Award

What a lot of achievements!

Reminders

- The PTFA Art Exhibition is this weekend.
- Class and Team Photographs are on Tuesday 22nd May.
- Class 1 Assembly will be on Friday 25th May.

Sports Day

Our whole-school Sports Day is next week on Thursday 24th May, starting at 1.15pm. This year, there will be three parts to the afternoon.

Firstly, a round-robin of 12 different sporting activities will take place on the Butts. The whole school will be divided into 12 groups moving round the activities at 5-minute intervals. Families are in the same group, so you will be able to stay with the same group for the session to support your children. The aim in this session is to score as many points for your house team as you can.

Secondly, we will use the running track on the Butts to run year group Sprints – with two heats, followed by a final. Houses will earn points for finshers in the top four in each final. There will be a KS2 and EY/KS1 relay event too.

Lastly, we will be leaving some of the activities set-up on the Butts after-school, so that families can spend some time together on some of the activities. It would be great to see as many families as possible staying on after-school to enjoy the activities available. PTFA will be providing refreshments after school, so please bring along a little change.

In the event of poor weather, we will post a note on our website as to whether we are able to go ahead. We have put Friday afternoon in the diary as a reserve. Fingers crossed that the weather is good!

Fowlmere Art Exhibition

Don't forget to come along at the weekend to this year's Art Exhibition. Everyone has put a lot of work into preparing and there are hundreds of works of art to see, and potentially purchase. Let's make this a really successful fundraiser for the school!

Year 6 SATs are over!

Well done to our Year 6 children who have worked especially hard this week completing their Year 6 tests. They completed six tests, two in Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling, one Reading test and three maths tests – an arithmetic paper and two reasoning papers. They have come to school with a fantastic attitude and have all worked hard to do their best.

Dates for Your Diary

Tuesday 22nd May	Class & Team Photographs
Thursday 24th May	Sports' Day, 1.15pm
Friday 25th May	Class 1 Assembly, 8.50am
Monday 28th May – Friday 1st June	Half-Term Holiday
Monday 4th June	Curriculum swimming begins
Wednesday 6th June	Class 2 Castles Day
Friday 8th June	Year 5/6 Kwik Cricket Competition
Tuesday 12th June	Year 5 Day at Melbourn Village College
Thursday 14th June	Class 1 Visit to Botanic Gardens
Friday 15th June	The Voyage, Royston Parish Church 7pm
Thursday 21st June	Year 5/6 Tag Rugby Competition
Friday 22nd June	Transition Afternoon 1 (New class visits and new Reception visits)
Friday 22nd June	PTFA School Cinema
Monday 25th June	Year 6 Intake Evening at MVC
Tuesday 26th June	Year 6 Induction Day at MVC
Tuesday 26th June	Transition Afternoon 2
Friday 29th June	Class 3 Assembly
Wednesday 4th July	Year 6 Induction Day at SVC
Wednesday 4th July	Transition Afternoon 3
Thursday 5th July	Year 3/4 Kwik Cricket Competition
Friday 6th July	PTFA Summer Disco and Barbecue
Wednesday 11th July	End of Year Reports to parents
Monday 16th July	Key Stage 2 Production (TBC)
Tuesday 24th July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly