

2018/19 Issue 4

Class 4 Visit to Cadbury World

As part of their project on Ancient Maya, Class 4 have been learning about the history of chocolate. Using this as an excuse, they visited Cadbury World last week to learn more about the origins of one of their favourite foods!

The exhibition at Cadbury World opens with a recreation of Ancient Maya and the children had to find information from the displays to answer a quiz. After learning more about the history of the Cadbury family and about Bourneville itself (and having had an opportunity to taste and work with some chocolate!) the class enjoyed a taught session on the Mayans from one of the staff. They had a great experience. Our thanks to the PTFA for supporting the coach costs for this visit.



Pupil Behaviour

Following our introduction and early work on Zones of Regulation at the start of term, we are having a strong push on pupils taking responsibility for their behaviour in school.

We have high expectations of children's conduct around school and so were disappointed to find this falling below our expectations for a large number of pupils a couple of weeks ago. We have been busy following up where

children forget school expectations, for example, walking in the corridor, using quiet voices, listening to others and asking for things politely. We are also helping children to understand the impact of the things they say to, and about, other children.

We would appreciate your help in reinforcing these expectations at home and your support if we need to contact you to escalate your involvement.

Playtime snacks

Please can I remind families that playtime snacks should support children's understanding of healthy eating and should be fruit or an appropriate savoury snack. Sweets, chocolate, crisps and nuts are not allowed.

Congratulations to...

- Xander (Class 1) for his miniathletics certificate and his duckling 1 swimming certificate
- Jasmine (Class 2) and Isabella (Class 3) for their Mischief Makers certificates
- Harrison (Class 2) for his
 25m swimming certificate
- Elliot (Class 1) for his Duckling 1 and Duckling Award 2 Certificates in swimming.

Reminders

- Half-term begins on Monday 22nd October. There is also a training day on Monday 29th October, so school will be closed then too.
- There is a PTFA School Cinema on Friday 2nd November after-school. Booking by Thursday 1st November.
- We will be holding an assembly for Armistice Day on Friday 9th November at 10.30am. This will replace our usual 8.50am assembly.

Best wishes, Mr Philip Atkin **Headteacher**

Harvest Collection

The vast majority of the items in this photo were the things you donated to Cambridge Women's Aid as part of our Harvest Collection.



We were pleased to receive a note of thanks from the team there: "Thank you to everyone at Fowlmere Primary School for your Harvest donations." And our thanks go to Clare Hobro for arranging delivery.

School Meals

There have been lots of positive comments about our new school meals from parents, children and staff alike. I have been impressed with the quality of the ingredients used to prepare the meals. For example, the roast dinners are made using whole roast joints of meat rather than the pre-sliced versions we were used to. There is salad available on the table each day and vegetables are freshly prepared.

We have been encouraging children to eat more of their meal and to make sure they have tried everything and we would be grateful if you could reinforce this at home. We are rewarding children that eat well (a good balance of foods from their plate) with our lunchtime tickets at the moment.

Dates for Your Diary

Monday 29th October School Closed – INSET Day

Thursday 1st November Class 1 & 2 Phonics Parent Workshop,

3.15pm

Friday 2nd November PTFA School Cinema, 3pm 🕬

Monday 5th November Class 1 Visit to Aerozone Stansted

Thursday 8th November Individual and Family Photographs

Friday 9th November Remembrance Assembly, 10.30am

Monday 12th November – Anti-Bullying Week

Friday 16th November

Thursday 22nd November Small Schools Cross Country

Competition

Friday 23rd November Open Morning, 9am – 10am

Friday 30th November PTFA Wine Tasting, 8pm 🕮

Tuesday 4th December Flu Vaccinations, Reception to Year 5

Sunday 9th December PTFA Christmas Fair, 2pm – 4.30pm

Tuesday 11th December Class 1/2 Production, 9am

Wednesday 12th December Class 1/2 Production, 2.15pm

Friday 14th December Parent & Child Christmas Crafts, 2pm

Wednesday 19th December Carols at St Mary's, 9am

Wednesday 19th December Last Day of Term

Spring Term 2018

Thursday 3rd January & School Closed – INSET Day Friday 4th January

Monday 7th January First Day of Term for Children

Monday 14th January Values Day

Tuesday 22nd January Young Voices (KS2)

Monday 11th February Parent & Child Consultations,

3.20pm – 7pm

Wednesday 13th February Parent & Child Consultations,

3.20pm – 7pm

Monday 18th February - Half-Term

Friday 22nd February

Monday 11th March – Science Week

Friday 15th March

Friday 5th April Open Morning, 9am – 10am

Sporting Opportunities

As part of our Wellbeing Project this year, we are working on improving our offer of sporting opportunities before or after school, or at lunchtime. We are looking for any volunteers who feel they might be able to run or support a small club, for example running, or Pilates. We can fund training through the Olympic Legacy fund and cover set-up costs too. Contact Mrs Whitworth (nwhitworth@fowlmere.cambs.sch.uk) if you think you can help.