



Newsletter

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«Forename» «Surname» («Class»)

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Make-Do-and-Mend

Thank you to everyone who came to Saturday's Make-Do-and-Mend day. There was a great mix of staff, parents and friends of the school who came to support the school prepare for the new term. A group of staff helped tidy the area in front of the school house whilst others painted the wooden fence around the gardens – I'm sure you will agree that it looks much improved. Behind the scenes, another group worked outside Class 1 to prepare the garden for some changes over the summer, and remove the old play house. Again, this area of the school now looks fantastic.



My thanks go to Ms Perkins for organising the day – and directing operations so successfully. I hope that you will be able to join us in the Autumn Term for a repeat performance – the conservation area is next on our list...

Goodbyes

At the end of term we will be saying goodbye to sixteen Year 6 children: Toby B, Jamie B, Luca, Thomas, Harry, Gus, Biba, Alex, Jamie M, Aston, Jack, Natasha, James, Jan, Holly and Toby Y.

It has been a pleasure to watch them grow and develop over the last few years and we wish them all the very best for the next stages of their learning journey, at secondary school and beyond.

Good luck to you all!

We will also be saying goodbye to Rose in Year 4 and wish her well in her new school.

Finally, next Tuesday will also be Miss Thomson's last day. Fenella joined us last September for the year in order to gain experience before beginning her teacher training. She has worked as a

midday supervisor, teaching assistant and playworker for After-School Club and has made a fantastic contribution to the school, even in the short time she has been with us. I know that the children in Class 4 and the children at After-School Club will miss her tremendously. We wish her all the best as she starts her training at Homerton College in Cambridge in September. We know she is going to make a fantastic teacher...

KS2 *Romeo and Juliet*

A huge well done to children in KS2 for their performance of *Romeo and Juliet* on Monday night last week. It was a great show and the children really rose to the occasion – not least because, as those of you who were there will know, Mrs Whitworth was at A & E with a broken foot and the children definitely had to know what to do

and when, without much adult guidance!

It was a challenging play to stage, with a complicated plot, difficult songs and a lot of lines to learn. But, as usual, your children show that they were up to the challenge!

My thanks go to all the staff involved (it was a real staff team effort), Steve Mulholland for lighting and Dorothy Woods and the Allotments Society for covering the cost of the Village Hall.

I know that Ms Perkins and Mrs Hartshorne are already planning their Christmas Spectacular...

Congratulations to...

- All the children in Reception and Year 1 who completed their Balanceability course last week.
- Jamie B (Class 4) and Charlotte (Class 2) for their piano Prep Test taken this week.
- All the cake bakers and sellers who raised around £150 for plastics recycling.
- Charlotte (Class 1) for her Duckling 2 Swimming Certificate
- Gus (Class 4) for his Junior Warriors grading for Kung Fu.

Reminders

- Year 6 Leavers' Assembly is on Tuesday 24th July at 8.50am.
- Term starts again on Wednesday 5th September

Best wishes,
Mr Philip Atkin
Headteacher

Key Stage 2 Results

We were pleased with Year 6's results – they showed an incredible amount of hard work on everyone's part. The percentage of children meeting or exceeded the expected standard was as follows.

	Fowlmere	National
Reading	69%	75%
Writing	75%	78%
GPS	88%	78%
Maths	81%	76%
Combined (RWM)	63%	64%

They show a good level of performance against national results, with the exception of reading, where a number of children were close to the grade boundary. We have already looked at why this is lower than the other subjects and have some plans for September...

Of particular note were the results at the higher level. These are results with a scaled score of 110 or more or where children work at 'Greater Depth' in writing.

	Fowlmere	National
Reading	38%	25%
Writing	31%	18%
GPS	56%	31%
Maths	44%	23%
Combined (RWM)	25%	9%

These results are significantly above national averages and show how children at Fowlmere are supported to excel in areas of strength. Our progress scores are looking good too. Well done all!

Dates for Your Diary

- Monday 23rd July** Year 6 Leavers' Party, 5.30pm
- Tuesday 24th July** Year 6 Leavers' Lunch
- Tuesday 24th July** Year 6 Leavers' Assembly, 8.50am (Parents of Year 6 children welcome.)

Autumn Term 2018

- Tuesday 4th September** School Closed – INSET Day
- Wednesday 5th September** First Day of Term for Children
- Tuesday 11th September** Meet-the-teacher / Curriculum Evening
- Monday 24th September – Thursday 27th September** Year 6 Bikeability
- Friday 28th September** Macmillan Coffee Morning
- Tuesday 2nd October** Y2 and Y6 SATs information evenings
- Friday 5th October** PTFA AGM
- Monday 15th October** Parent & Child Consultations
- Wednesday 17th October** Parent & Child Consultations
- Monday 22 October – Friday 26th October** Half-Term
- Monday 29th October** School Closed – INSET Day
- Friday 9th November** Remembrance Assembly, 10.30am
- Friday 23rd November** Open Morning, 9am – 10am
- Tuesday 4th December** Flu Vaccinations, Reception to Year 5
- 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 & Wednesday 4th January** School Closed – INSET Day
- 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
- Wednesday 13th February** Parent & Child Consultations
- Monday 18th February – Friday 22nd February** Half-Term
- Monday 11th March – Friday 15th March** Science Week
- Friday 5th April** Open Morning, 9am – 10am