



Newsletter

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Class 1 at the Botanic Gardens

Last week, we took Class 1 to the Botanic Gardens in Cambridge. We were blessed with lovely weather and the children spent time exploring the grounds and looking carefully at the trees and plants. We were amazed by the variety of different plants life and particularly liked the fantastic cacti in one of the glasshouses. Thank you to Ms Perkins for organising the visit.



Job Opportunities

We currently have vacancies for September for a Playworker for After-School Club and for Midday Supervisors. If you, or someone you know, would be interested in either of these positions, please contact the school office for further information.

School Catering

At the end of last year, Cambridgeshire Catering, who provide our school meals, informed us that they would cease trading on 31st December 2018.

This, obviously, represents a significant challenge for the school (we serve between 70 and 80 meals each day and this is not a particularly attractive option for another company to take on) but is also a significant opportunity to

secure improvements to school meals provision.

Eight local primary schools have decided to work together to procure a new supplier and we are currently in the middle of a tendering process for a two-year contract to provide meals across all eight schools.

Meals will continue to be prepared in-house and we have capped meal costs at a maximum of £2.30 per day. Our service style (set menu, family service) will continue, but menus will change, and providing appetising, good quality meals is very high up our evaluation criteria.

We anticipate a new supplier to take over the provision from September 2018, but this may be phased over the first half-term across the schools involved.

Watch this space!

Key Stage 2 Production

This year we separated our productions into an Early Years/KS1 performance (which took place at Christmas) and a KS2 performance.

This year's KS2 production will be *Romeo & Juliet* and will take place at **6pm on Monday 16th July in the Village Hall**. The play has been cast this week, following auditions, and rehearsals begin next week.

Plastic Waste

The children have been talking in assemblies with Ms Perkins about combating plastic waste and plastic litter. They would like to hold a cake sale to raise money to provide specific bins for this in school and we have opted for after-school on Friday 13th July. Please look out for further information soon.

Reminders

- PTFA School Cinema is today.
- The Year 6 Melbourn induction evening is on Monday 25th June, with the induction day on Tuesday 26th. Children attending should go directly to Melbourn in the morning; there is no need for them to come to school first.
- Class 3's Assembly is on Friday 29th June at 8.50am.
- The PTFA Summer Disco and Barbecue is on Friday 6th July.

Best wishes,
Mr Philip Atkin
Headteacher

PTFA News

This term's school cinema is tonight. Many thanks to those PTFA members who helped to set up and run this very popular event. A very large number of children are attending.

The traditional PTFA disco and barbecue will be on Friday 6th July – not far away now! This is a lovely opportunity to enjoy the summer weather (fingers crossed!) with a drink and barbecue food, whilst the children enjoy their summer disco.

If you think you can help at this event, please let Angela know.

Kwik Cricket

Ten children from Class 4 took part in the Year 5/6 Kwik Cricket Competition at Foxton two weeks ago. We played matches against Foxton A, The Meadow and Babraham. Unfortunately, we lost all our matches – we definitely need to work on our catching and bowling – but, nevertheless, enjoyed a great afternoon's cricket.

Tag Rugby Competition

A team of ten children attended the Tag Rugby Competition at Cambridge Rugby Club yesterday. We played 4 pool matches, losing 2, winning one and drawing our final match – all of which against much bigger schools. The team played well and really performed in our play-off match. We came 9th overall.

Year 5 at MVC

Last week, Year 5 spent the day at Melbourn Village College experiencing a variety of lessons. Mrs Anderson, who accompanied the children, reported that they showed excellent engagement and behaviour – well done Year 5!

Fowlmere perform *The Voyage*



On 15th June, 39 children from Key Stage 2 took part in a concert at Royston Parish Church in aid of Age UK Cambridgeshire and Hertfordshire. Singing with children from Foxton Primary and with adults from Foxton Singers, they put together a spectacular performance of Bob Chilcott's *The Voyage* with a small, and talented, chamber orchestra. Over 150 people came to see us perform this beautiful work, alongside other songs reflecting a journey through life.

I know that I am biased, but it sounded amazing! The children involved performed all the songs from memory – which is a fantastic achievement – especially in *The Voyage* which is difficult to practise without the other parts present. Thank you to parents for your help supporting your children to learn the words and for your positive comments about the concert.

We have raised in the region of £1,200 for the charities involved.

Dates for Your Diary

Friday 22nd June	Transition Afternoon 1
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
Monday 2nd July	Class 3 '1066' Castles Trip
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, 6pm
Tuesday 24th July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly