

Dear Parents/Carers

We have made it to the end of the first half term of the school year and the children have worked hard and have made a positive start to the school year. The Reception children have completed their first half term in school with both Year 1 and Year 2 settling into the new challenges of their year group. The half term break will give everyone time to rest and hopefully get rid of all their coughs & colds, there have been a lot of different illnesses going around in school.

As a school we know that it is imperative that all children read at home this allows them to practise their sounds and words thus enabling them to become fluent readers. Early reading is essential to your child becoming a fluent reader and the school reading challenge is part of our commitment to develop your child as a reader. During the last two weeks the children in Year 1 and Year 2 have been able to achieve their first lucky dip prize. Unfortunately, only 20% of the Year 1 children and 58% of children in Year 2 have achieved this first lucky dip so far. I must congratulate Mrs Watson's class who have shown amazing reading skills with all children, apart from 3, having their first lucky dip. Excellent reading 2SW, now let's see which class achieves the most lucky dips by the end of the next half term.

Many of our children have not read at home at all. We do not expect your child to do any other work at home but we do expect them to read at least 5 times a week. This only needs to be for five to ten minutes each evening. There are also some children that are reading four times each week but not the fifth time. This means that they are not being awarded their lucky dip which is a real shame as they are so close. Therefore, we have decided that we will amend the challenge and ask for all children to read at home four times each week to achieve a sticker. I really hope that you will read with your child so that they can achieve a sticker each week. It is great to see how excited the children get when they choose their prize. It would be lovely if by the end of next term over 90% of children have achieved their first lucky dip prize.



I hope that you all enjoyed the year group harvest assemblies. It was so lovely to welcome so many of you to school to watch them. The children all did so well with their singing and reciting of poems and we are very proud of them all. Thank you also to all the staff in each year group that spent so much time teaching the children the songs and poems and then rehearsing each assembly. I was very sad to miss them all as unfortunately I was off ill for a couple of days.

We had many donations for Brackley Foodbank which were collected this week by volunteers from the foodbank. So, thank you to everyone who donated, every item will be given to a person or family that needs a little bit of extra help. As a school we like to support the local community so that the children understand the importance of helping others and begin to develop compassion for others.

Well done to all the children in 'Roses' house as they have achieved the most house points this half term. As a reward for this all children in 'Roses' are wearing mufti clothes today. Next half term the winning house will be rewarded with a mufti day towards the end of term. All children in reception have been allocated a house and will begin to earn house points after half term.

I hope that you all have a great half term break and we will see all the children back in school on Monday 31st October.

Kind Regards



Tina Lagdon
Head Teacher

Extended Services

Term 2's invoices are currently being uploaded, if you can please look out for these.

Missing uniform

We have a child in Year R who has ended up with the wrong trousers following PE on 6th October and they have not been found. They are mid-grey age 3-4 M&S trousers, which are clearly named. Please can Year R parents kindly check over half term whilst doing the laundry that these have not come home with your child by mistake. If you do happen to come across them, please can you return to the school office. Thank you.

Pupil Progress Meetings

During w/c Monday 14th November there will be the opportunity for you to meet with your child's class teacher to discuss their progress. This will take place in school but if you would prefer you can request a telephone call instead. There will be lists available the week before for you to sign up for a convenient time slot.

Wizzers

We are in the process of confirming dates and groups for next half term. The school office will email you the dates during the first week after half term if you have requested that your child attend the group.

School Dinners

Please make sure that you remember to order your child's dinners via meal manager for the return to school. The cut-off date is for meals required w/c 31st October is Thursday 27th October at midday. Late orders (jacket potato or deli option only) are possible, place your order by 9am for same day meals.

Reading Eggs

Children in Year 1 and Year 2 already have a log in to access 'Reading Eggs' which is an online reading programme. If you have mislaid your log in please ask your child's class teacher. If your child uses Reading Eggs it can be used towards the 4 reads a week, just remember to sign your child's reading comment book. Children in reception will be bringing home a log in today so that they can also use Reading Eggs.

National Online Safety

We would like to remind you that the National Online Safety website has lots of posters and help guides for all the online platforms, as well as quick helpful video guides to help with some top tips for online safety for younger children in KS1. As well as the website you can download an app from the Apple/Android Stores. As a member, school and our parents have free access to the site and all the resources, below is the link for you to register with National Online Safety: <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/waynflete-infants-school>.

This week we have attached a guide about "You Tube Kids"

Week beginning 31st October

Monday 31 st October	Dodgeball 3 pm until 4.15 pm
Tuesday 1 st November	Football Skills Club – 3 pm until 4 pm Strings Tuition
Friday 4 th November	Sharing Assembly (Your child will bring home a letter if they are sharing)

PTFA NEWS**Christmas Bazaar**

We are excited to inform you that this year's Christmas Bazaar will be held on Saturday 26th November from 11am until 1pm. The Christmas Bazaar is the year's biggest fundraiser for Waynflete Infants' School. Please find attached the flyer which gives you more information about the event.

Christmas Cards

We have lots of orders already come in but you still have time if not. Please kindly send your completed order forms to the school office by no later than midday on Tuesday 1st November.

Thank you as always for all of your support.

The PTFA Team