



Dear Parents, Pupils and Staff,

Skipping to the weekend!



Another fantastic week at the Fun Factory and the highlight of the week was our visit from the 'Skipping Man'. This was our third attempt for his visit and it was certainly worth the wait as the children really enjoyed their session learning how to skip and a number of new games and tricks to try at break and lunchtime and at home! There has never been a more important time to keep fit, healthy and active and this is just a small part of our drive to promote a healthy and active lifestyle. It was also lovely to see so many children buying skipping ropes at the end of the day. You can still purchase a skipping rope by calling into the office to place your order, by Friday 19th November.

The children continue to work hard each and every day I am so impressed with their efforts and attitude. The past 18 months have been such a challenge for everyone, but I often think we do not give the children enough credit for just how fantastic they have been adapting to so much change. There is no doubt that it has been tough to return back to some normality, but as a result of the children, it has been made so much easier. I am positive that this will continue for the rest of the year and I look forward to seeing each and every child continue to achieve and thrive as they work to be the best that they can be!



For those that that know me well, you will know that Christmas is always my favourite time of year and it has been exciting to make plans for the festive period in school. I am hoping that there are no further restrictions imposed upon us so that our plans are not disrupted, but I am remaining positive. I wrote to you this week with information about the arrangements for the performances and although this is not what we normally do, we have had to take precautionary measures to keep our community safe. As I said in my letter, most schools are not allowing parents/carers into school to watch live performances, so I am pleased that we have been able to make some changes in order to accommodate parents/carers into school to watch live performances.

Next week, is our 'Friendship Week' and this is always one of my favourite weeks of the year as it provides us with the perfect opportunity to celebrate the fact that everyone is different but equal. This year the theme is 'One Kind Word', and there has never been a more important time to focus on the message. Lots of information has been sent home explaining that we have some visitors and a surprise for the children as we focus on #HappyChildrenHappySchool.


Don't forget that you can get an additional 10% off and the money purchases you make, the more money we raise for the school. You have been sent all of the information you need. The PTA hope you are happy with your child's creation and the range of products to choose from. For any help or support please do not hesitate to email arthurbedlerpta@gmail.com.


Have a lovely weekend!


Yours sincerely,


J. A. Bryant
Headteacher




	ATTENDANCE			
	Lower School	Class 8	Miss McGoldrick	98%
	Upper School	Class 14	Mr Heard	99.35%
	<i>Congratulations to all classes!</i>			
	Whole School Attendance			96.40%

<p>THIS SCHOOL IS A</p> 	<p>Nut Free School</p> <p>This is a reminder that we are a 'No Nut' school and children should not be sent into school with any items containing nuts, including snack bars or sandwiches containing Chocolate Spread or Nutella.</p>
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	<p>Car Engines</p> <p>For the safety of our community please remember to turn your engine off whilst waiting outside the school. This is particularly important at the end of the day as there are more adults and children walking in the local area.</p>
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	<p>Safeguarding Concerns</p> <p>If you ever have any safeguarding concerns please contact the office via email using admin.abp@osborne.coop. The email should be for the attention of a Designated Safeguarding Lead. As a school we have a responsibility to keep everyone safe so please get in touch sooner rather than later if you are concerned.</p>
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	<p>LETTERS SENT HOME / E-MAILED THIS WEEK</p> <p>All Years – Crossing Patrol is back All Years – Royal Mint Writing Competition All Years – Friendship Week All Years – Parent Governor Vacancy All Years – Parent View All Years – Christmas Artwork All Years – Diary Date Changes All Years – Christmas Performances All Years – Community Support News Year 6 – End of the Year Arrangements</p>
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES...



November

Monday 15 th – Friday 19 th	Friendship Week
Monday 15 th	'Odd Shoes/Socks Day'
Friday 19 th	Children in Need (Non-Uniform Day)
Monday 22 nd	EYFS/KS1 Christmas Shopping Day
Tuesday 23 rd	Year 3/4 Christmas Shopping Day
Wednesday 24 th	Year 5/6 Christmas Shopping Day
Thursday 25 th	'Mop Up' Christmas Shopping Day
Friday 26 th	Non-Uniform Day (Donation For Christmas Fete)
Tuesday 30 th	St Andrew's Day

December

Friday 3 rd	Christmas Fete 3.15pm – 6.30pm
Tuesday 7 th	Year 1 Christmas Songs (9.10am & 2.15pm)
	KS2 Discos (Years 3/4 – 4pm – 5.30pm) (Years 5/6 – 5.45pm – 7.15pm)
	Year 2 Christmas Performance (9.10am & 2.15pm)
Thursday 9 th	EYFS Christmas Performance (9.10am & 2.15pm)
Friday 10 th	Christmas Jumper Day
Tuesday 14 th	KS2 Christmas Performances
Wednesday 15 th	EYFS / KS1 Christmas Dinner
Thursday 16 th	KS2 Christmas Dinner
	Panto In School
Friday 17 th	Last Day of Term
Monday 20 th – Monday 3 rd January 2021	Holiday