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NORTH KIDLINGTON SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER No: 4

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

MONEY DROP OFF BOX

A black security mail box has been installed in the main entrance, next to the 'Frequently Asked For Letters' board, so that sealed envelopes can be quickly dropped off so that you do not need to queue at the School Office desk.

FoNKS FAMILY BINGO NIGHT

Friday 3rd February 2017

It's that time of year again when the Kemp Senior and Son Family Bingo Evening is to take place. The evening promises to be fun filled and suitable for ALL ages (young and old). Come along to the school Junior Hall for a great evening of 'Bingoing Fun!'

Books cost £1.00 for 1 book, £3.00 for 3 books and £5.00 for 6 books. FoNKS will also be selling refreshments too!

Doors open at 6:30pm and it will be Eyes Down (Start) at 7:00pm.

ON-LINE SAFETY PARENT WORKSHOP.

THE ON-LINE SAFETY WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS WILL TAKE PLACE ON WEDNESDAY 8TH FEBRUARY 2017 BETWEEN 6:30PM-7:30PM. PLEASE RETURN THE ATTACHED FORM SO THAT WE HAVE AN IDEA ABOUT HOW MANY PEOPLE TO EXPECT.

LOST PROPERTY

The school lost property bin is overflowing with 'lost' unnamed items. These items will be displayed outside of the School Office this week (weather dependent!) so 'lost' items can be reclaimed.

SAFEGUARDING

USING CLASSROOM TOILETS FOR YOUNG CHILDREN-BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL

Please do not use any of the classroom toilets, for young children, before or after the school day unless you have asked a member of the school staff.

HEALTH & SAFETY

OUTDOOR PLAY EQUIPMENT

Due to the increased number in incidents of children being injured on outdoor play equipment outside of the normal school day across the County, Oxfordshire Health and Safety Department have instructed ALL schools to tell parents that children **MUST NOT USE PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT BEFORE OR AFTER the school day** unless it is under the full supervision of school staff.

HEALTH & SAFETY-CYCLING TO SCHOOL

If your child wishes to cycle to school please ask the office for a cycling permit. If your child is riding their bicycle to school then their bike **MUST** be in a road worthy condition and they **MUST WEAR A CYCLE HELMET.**

PLEASE NOTE that **ADULTS** as well as children should not ride their bicycle whilst in the school grounds. Thank you.

* CLASS STARS OF THE WEEK! *

Well done to the following children who were awarded Class Star of the Week certificates:

FSU: Leo Cara & Tyler Steele.

Year 1-2: Joshua Curtin, Marios Rizo & Charlie Spicer.

Year 3-4: Josh Days, Leighton Robbins & Nakshathra Sureshababu.

Year 5-6: Woody Cullum-Birtwistle, Jessica Elston & Ruby Smith.

§ SILVER BOOK CERTIFICATE §

Congratulations to Noah Adams, Sienna Beukes, Rosie-May Bingham-O'Shea, Darcy Chahal, Devron Harverye, Cody Herring, Leah Josephs, Amelia Kumar, Eva Nesbitt, George Page, Tamzin Roberts, Riya Sidu & Jake White, who all received a Silver Book Certificate last week.

✍ CREATIVITY AWARD ✍

Congratulations to Beatrice Hall-Mills, who received a Creativity Award.

π MATHS MAGICIANS π

Congratulations to Beau Bennell, Melissa Lee & James Willis, who received a Maths Magician Certificate.

🏆 HEAD TEACHER AWARD 🏆

Congratulations to Jessica Banks, Ruby Sollis & Isabella Turnock who received a Head Teacher Award for raising £60.00 for The Blue Cross Animal Centre by making and then selling 'Friendship' bands. The girls were invited to visit the centre at Burford and they will hopefully be mentioned in a Blue Cross article to be published in the Witney Gazette!

🏆 SPORTING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD 🏆

Congratulations to Jessica Banks & Alice Gardner, who received a Sporting Achievement Award for sporting participation outside of school.

CLASS ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES

(W/C 23-01-2017)

The National Average is 97.00% and as a school we are aiming for a whole school attendance of between 96.00-97.00%

Class	Attendance (%)
Apple	97.56%
Ash	95.00%
Maple	98.33%
Oak	91.67%
Cedar	97.08%
Chestnut	94.80%
Willow	95.56%
Acer	95.56%
Beech	90.57%
Pine	97.41%
Whole School	95.51%

Well done to **Classes Maple** who achieved **98.33%** attendance last week!

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PORTHAVEN CARE HOME

NAME COMPETITION

Thank you and well done to all of the Year 5/6 pupils who entered the competition to 'name' the new Porthaven Care Home. The quality of name choices were fantastic and all of the entrants have thought very carefully about how their name for the new home is significant to Kidlington. We eagerly await the announcement of the winner!

ATTENDANCE

If your child is ill please inform the school office on the first day of absence. Any child whose attendance falls below 85% will automatically receive an attendance letter.

PUNCTUALITY

Children are expected to be in school by 8:45am, so that they are lined up and ready to start the school day when the bell is rung. Several children are turning up at school after 8:45am. Children who arrive after 9:00am must report to the school office. Any arrival after the close of registration (at 9.05am) has to be marked as late.

Regularly arriving late at school has been proven to have a negative impact on your child's attendance percentage and can add up to a considerable amount of learning lost, seriously disadvantaging your child (See below for how it can add up).

Impact of regularly arriving late for school

Minutes late per day during the school year	Is the equivalent of missing:
5 minutes	3.4 days
10 minutes	6.9 days
15 minutes	10.3 days
20 minutes	13.8 days
30 minutes	20.7 days

Please help your child by being punctual. Thank you

UNARRANGED MEETINGS WITH YEAR ONE-YEAR SIX CLASS TEACHERS

Please do not hold unscheduled discussions with Class Teachers (Years One-Six) at 8:45am when the school bell is rung.

If you need to talk to a Class Teacher about your child please arrange to talk to them before 8:45am or after 3:15pm.

Talking to your child's Class Teacher at 8:45am **IS NOT** the correct time as the children need to go into class immediately to start their learning for the day.

Parents of children in Classes Green and Red Apple should still talk to the key adult if they need to as it is often necessary to talk to a member of the FSU staff about anything that may have happened over night regarding your child.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Thursday 2nd February 2017

More Able, Gifted and Talented Literacy and Mathematics Mentoring Morning.

Friday 3rd February 2017

Kemp's Family Bingo-Junior Hall
Doors Open at 6:30pm-Eyes down at 7:00pm.

Monday 6th February 2017

Online Safety Week-Whole School Participation.

Wednesday 8th February 2017

Online Safety Workshop Evening for Parents-6:30pm-7:30pm-Junior Hall.

(Crèche/Kids Club available as content is not suitable for children).

Thursday 9th February 2017

Saltmine Theatre Online Safety Performance & Workshop-Year 5 and Year 6.

Friday 10th February 2017

End of Spring 1st Half Term-3:15pm Finish.

Monday 13th February-Friday 17th February 2017

Spring Half Term Holiday-School Closed.

Monday 20th February 2017

Start of Spring 2nd Half Term-School open to all pupils.

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30th January 2017



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ONLINE SAFETY Meeting

**WEDNESDAY 8TH FEBRUARY
 6.30-7.30PM**

We are really looking forward to this forthcoming event with guest speaker, Nick Speller who is a CEOP trained Ambassador and 360Safe Assessor. There will be a performance related to Online Safety from some of our Junior children and FoNKS will be providing refreshments before the meeting. A child sitting service, for **North Kidlington children**, will be provided so that as many parents as possible can attend.

It would be really helpful to have an idea of attendance figures for this meeting and for the child sitting service. This is in accordance with Health, Safety and Safeguarding procedures.

Please can you complete the section below and return to your child's class teacher or the office.

Thank you.

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Name: _____

Number of adults attending: _____

Child Sitting Service required (DELETE AS APPLICABLE): Yes/No

Name(s)/Class(es) of children attending: _____

