

FHA Newsletter

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Headteacher Update

Welcome back to the start of a new school term and a new year. I hope that you had a wonderful Christmas break with friends and family.

As ever, there a range of activities and events taking place over the term and you can find out more details below.

As the weather turns increasingly colder and the risk of snow increases, I thought it would be useful to tell you about what would happen if we needed to close the school. Even during adverse weather, we will endeavour to keep the school open, however, should the school need to close, we will make a decision very early in the morning. As well as putting the information on our website, we will also put out a Facebook update, Tweet, Parent Mail and it will be broadcast on local radio. Otherwise, presume we are still open!

Matthew Reetz

Christmas Fair

A HUGE thank you to everyone who came along to support our Christmas Fair. We were delighted with how well it was supported and we are as ever so grateful to our expanding "Friends" team for all their help and commitment to this event. You will be delighted to know the event raised in excess of £744 which is a remarkable amount!

Our Friends team will be meeting again on Friday, 20th January at 9.00am – please come along to find out what we're doing next and if you can help!

We are now collecting Active Kids Vouchers from Sainsburys. If you shop there, please remember to pop any vouchers you get into the school office as we are able to use them to receive free equipment for our pupils!



Sainsbury's
Active Kids
Eat well • Move well • Live well



Payment Reminder

Please may we remind parents and carers to ensure prompt payment is made to school for any school trips or music tuition fees. Please contact the school office if you think you may have an outstanding balance.

Cool Milk Scheme

Unfortunately, due to low uptake, we have made arrangements to cancel our subscription to the Cool Milk Scheme here in school and a separate flyer will be issued about this. After half term, milk will be available to purchase and children who receive free school meals will be able to have free milk if they wish.



Holiday Club – February Half Term

We will be running holiday clubs during February Half term, and these will be delivered in conjunction with Northampton ESCO. More details to follow, but please save the dates in your calendar (13th – 17th February). The clubs will be quite inexpensive and lots of fun!

Breakfast Club

Our wonderful breakfast club runs every morning from 7.45am to 8.45am. If you haven't tried this yet, you are very welcome to come along! The cost is £2.50 and this covers breakfast, childcare before school and all activities. Children in receipt of free school meals can come along for free. You don't need to book – just turn up with an empty belly!



ParentPay

Please be reminded that although we are using Parentpay for school lunch at present, we are planning to use it to pay for trips, music lessons and other school events. Please activate your account as soon as possible, even if you do not intend to order school lunches. If you need copies of your login information, please contact the school office.



Scouting

We have made links with a local Scout Group (Ashby Fields Scout Group) and they are now meeting in our school building during term time. Children can join Beavers from the age of 6, Cubs from the age of 8 and Scouts from the age of 10 ½. If you are interested in finding out more, please speak to the school office.

Polite Reminder

Please can all parents and carers ensure children have a water bottle in school each day and have weather appropriate coats and shoes for this time of year.

Diary Dates

Below are a list of dates as they currently stand. These will be updated in each newsletter and any other changes will be posted on our Facebook page.

20th January – Friends Meeting - 9.00am

10th February – last day of term

13th – 17th February – Holiday Clubs. More details to follow

20th February – Children return to school

1st March – Y5 visit STEM Big Bang trip to Saints, Northampton. More details to follow