



OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
Fringford C.E. Primary School  
Headteacher Mr F Pastore

## NEWSLETTER MARCH 2019

### Message from the Headteacher

It has been a difficult few weeks as staff and children have struggled with colds, coughs and sickness. I'd like to thank all the staff for battling through to keep the school running smoothly.

It was heartening as always to see parent / teacher consultations so well attended in our first week back after half-term. We urge parents to continue to encourage their children to read regularly and practice their spellings and times tables weekly. It really does make a very big difference.

### Great Big School Clean 2019

On 22<sup>nd</sup> March we will be taking part in the Great Big School Clean. Although children can wear non-uniform in exchange for a Mother's Day Gift on this day, can we please ask that they wear sensible clothes as they will be taking part in a litter pick around the school grounds. Sensible shoes are a must!

### Red Nose Day Non-Uniform Event - 15<sup>th</sup> March

The School Council would like everyone to come to school dressed in something red in return for a donation (suggested amount £1.00) for Red Nose Day.



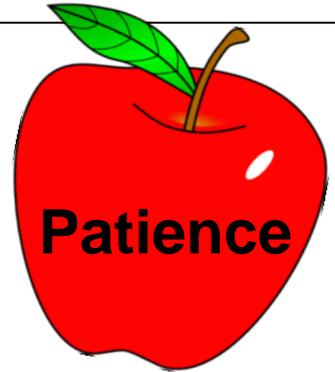
### Value of the Month

This month we will be discussing the value of Patience with the children.

Teachers will be awarding 'Values Certificates' to the children who demonstrate our values in and around the school.

**"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."**

**Galatians 6:9**



### Dates for your diary

#### March

- 11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> Science Week
- 15<sup>th</sup> Red Nose Day
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Great Big School Clean 2019
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Mother's Day Non-Uniform
- 27<sup>th</sup> Kingfishers Sports Hall Athletics
- 29<sup>th</sup> FoFS Mother's Day Gift Shop

#### April

- 3<sup>rd</sup> FoFS Easter Egg Hunt
- 5<sup>th</sup> Easter Service 10am – all welcome
- 5<sup>th</sup> Easter Experience
- 5<sup>th</sup> Last day of term

**8<sup>th</sup> April – 19<sup>th</sup> April Easter Holidays**

23<sup>rd</sup> Children return to School

## Rocksteady

The children were treated to an exciting assembly and workshops with Rocksteady last week.

Rocksteady are a company that provide music lessons as part of a rock band. If your child is interested in becoming part of a band or would simply enjoy learning a new musical instrument you can sign them up directly with Rocksteady by using their website

[www.rocksteadymusicschool.com](http://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com)



## Reading Raffle

Congratulations to our reading raffle winners last half term. We urge all pupils to keep reading regularly to earn their raffle tickets for the next draw coming up soon!



## Wellbeing Ambassadors

Our Wellbeing Ambassadors have had their first meeting and together with Miss Ellison found out about the importance of sleep. They will be sharing their knowledge with the rest of the school next week.

If you wish to find out more about Children's Mental Health Week and for some useful resources please visit...

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/parents-and-carers>



## School Lunch and Breakfast Club Balances

Please remember that all School Lunch and Breakfast Club balances must be cleared by 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019.

If you think your child might qualify for Free School Meals please contact Mrs McBride in confidence.

## Science Week

Our theme for Science Week this year is 'Journeys'. We will be encouraging our pupils to think about the different scientific journeys that happen every day and how journeys can help us experience more of the world around us.



### Curriculum Champions

We are very proud to announce our new Curriculum Champions:

Tommy French – Maths

Scarlett Nash – Sport

Rory Pritchard – RE

Jon Stevenson – English

Bethan Thomas – Humanities

Ryan Wainwright – Science

Belle Walker – Art

### House Points



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### Uniform

We are all really proud of how smart and tidy our children look in their uniforms. Black shoes rather than trainers help to keep this high standard, thank you.

### SIAMS Focus Group

The SIAMs team met on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March. School council representatives from Starling, Woodpecker and Kingfisher class were present, as were Mrs Woodgate and Mrs Griffins.

We discussed how well we were doing with making changes to assemblies in light of our previous meeting. Mrs Dipple has been teaching the children new action songs that they can share during assemblies. It was agreed that our favourite songs were My Lighthouse and Life is a Wonderful Thing. We are now going to think about which assemblies are most appropriate for us to share our action songs in. Everyone agreed that it was good to have music playing as they entered assembly.

We discussed making our assemblies more active. The children had some great ideas about how we could use drama or art activities that could produce a display.

Finally, we talked about how we use prayers as part of our assemblies and it was felt that it would be a great idea to use our school prayer more often, such as at the end of Friday Celebration Assembly. The children also thought that it might a good idea to come up with actions for our school prayer to make it easier to remember.