

Fen Ditton Primary School Newsletter



Thursday 16th November 2023

EVENTS/MEETINGS	
Friday 17 th November	Children In Need Day (Details Below)
Friday 1st December 9.15-9.45am	Kahlo Class Assembly (Parents Invited)
Tuesday 12 th December 6-7pm	Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity Performance 1
	(Letters to be sent out)
Wednesday 13 th December	School Christmas Lunch
Thursday 14 th December 2.30-3.30pm	Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity Performance 2
Thursday 14 th December 3.30-5pm	PTFA Christmas Event (See attached poster for details)

Reminders & Useful Information

IMPORTANT: MCAS APP

If you have the mobile app for My Child at School (MCAS) installed, please could you check regularly to see if any communications from the school office are being received on there.

This may have been the error we have been experiencing with some parents not receiving our Newsletter and other communications.

We have corrected the issue from our end, but it will help if you could check the app each week just in case anything gets missed via emails.

Thank you for your cooperation and patience.

IMPORTANT: School Meal Ordering

You must order your child's meals no later than Saturday each week for the following week. If anyone is having any difficulties with this or logging on and ordering your child's meals, then please contact Innovate on 0204 542 7211 or primary@impactfood.co.uk

Headlice

We have received reports that a few children are suffering from head lice at the moment in school. Could we please ask that you check your child's hair regularly and treat head lice quickly to prevent the problem spreading further. We also suggest that you check the rest of the family at the same time.

School Records

Please could we ask all Parents/Carers to log into MCAS and check all personal details we hold for you and your child are correct.

If there are any changes i.e. address, telephone number or email address, please either make these amendments on MCAS or email the school office. Please could you do this by <u>Wednesday 22nd November.</u>

Also, please could we ask that you make sure you always contact the school office as soon as possible whenever your details change.





Children in Need - Friday 17th November

We are excited to support Child in Need again this year. On Friday 17th November we will be having a non-uniform day and inviting the children to dress in yellow or anything spotty.

We are kindly asking for donations of £1 per child to support this cause. The children will also be completing some Children in Need activities as part of their Friday enrichment.

We will also have a special assembly on Monday 13th November.



Lay by Parking Outside School

Please could we respectfully request that only parents who have and can display a blue badge park in the lay-by mornings and afternoons, unless you have prior permission from the school.

Please could we also make you aware that parents MUST NOT block the school gates, this includes the gate to the school car park and the gate to the playground, as these must be accessible at all times.



School Gates

Please remember that the school gates now close at 9am.



Homework

Homework is set every Friday on Google Classroom and is due back in the following Wednesday with reading books. Please see the attached letter from Mrs Hearns.



Water Bottles

Please don't forget to send your child in with a water bottle every day.



WANTED

We have run out of spare underwear for the KS1 children (ages 4-7 years)

Any donations of girls' and boys' underwear would be greatly appreciated.

You can hand any donations to your child's class teacher or at the school office.

Thank you.





Contact (01223) 292342



School Meal Ordering System

If you would like your child to have meals next week, you must pre order online by midnight on Saturday, you can do this by using the link below.

https://innovate2020.cashlessschool.co.uk

If you know of any times your child will be out of school e.g. medical appointments, trips etc then please remember to cancel the meals via the online system in advance or you may still be charged for these meals.

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Lost Property

We have a rather large collection of items again in our lost property box.

Anything and everything brought into school from home should be named.

Any items unclaimed at the end of this term will be donated to the local clothes banks as we cannot store unnamed clothing indefinitely. We will do our best to reunite lost property with its owner but cannot be held responsible for any items that go missing. If it is not named, it is more likely to be lost.

The Lost Property Box can be found in the playground every day – please check to see if any items belong to your child.





Update Regarding Construction Works

Please allow for extra time in both getting your children to school in the morning and on picking them up in the afternoon whilst these works continue, as there is a lot of traffic throughout the day.

Please find an update below from Milestone Infrastructure:

Works are currently progressing faster than we had initially programmed to the North of the A14. We were expecting to work within Fen Ditton in January but our team have managed to complete the works ahead of schedule. This means we have now started the work at the top of Fen Ditton.

The works in the village will start from the very top, close to the A14 Entry slip road and extent around 300m, just touching the first properties as you enter Fen Ditton. This is likely to take a further 2-3 weeks, meaning we may commence 1-2 weeks works outside the school from around **20**th **November**.

Our aim is to complete as much works this side of Christmas to reduce the impact around the school in the new year. Apologies we cannot provide more accurate details on dates but will keep you updated and confirm details as and when I can.

Thank you for everybody's support and patience whilst this work is being completed.



Second-hand Uniform

The PTFA have installed a permanent second-hand stall on the school ground. It is sited on the patio by the year 1 class doors. It is open 24/7, ask any member of the staff for the lock combination. We have loads of lovely items in great condition, so please come and browse.

Contact: ptfa@fendittonprimary.org





TERM DATES

AUTUMN TERM 2023

Training Day 1 – Friday 1 Sep
Term Starts – Monday 4 Sep
School Ends – Friday 20 Oct
Half Term - 23 - 27 Oct
Training Day 2 – Monday 30 Oct
School Starts – Tuesday 31 Oct
Term Ends – Wednesday 20 Dec

SPRING TERM 2024

Training Day 3 – Thursday 4 Jan Term Starts – Friday 5 Jan School Ends – Friday 16 Feb Half Term - 19 - 23 Feb School Starts – Monday 26 Feb Term Ends – Thursday 28 Mar

SUMMER TERM 2024

Training Day 4 – Monday 15 Apr
Term Starts – Tuesday 16 Apr
May Bank Holiday – Monday 6 May
School Ends – Friday 24 May
Half Term - 27 – 31 May
School Starts – Monday 3 June
Term Ends – Friday 19 July
Training Day 5 – Monday 22nd Jul

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