

Newsletter 4

Monday 15th October 2018

Headteacher's Welcome

We have been very busy since our last newsletter with lots of opportunities for families to come into school and share our learning. We had a fantastic Harvest Service where children presented some wonderful poems, prayers, information and pictures. We were able to send lots of food to the Food Bank. We have also had our Oak class Celebration of Learning Event where it was fantastic to see families joining in with the learning activities, there were some interesting cave paintings appearing on the walls! Earlier in the week Elm Class looked fantastic in their Tudor costumes and had a great time participating in hands-on learning at Burghley House.

For up-to-date information about what is going on in school and photos of events please look at our Twitter feed @FolksworthCofE. You do not need a Twitter account to see this as it is also displayed on our school website.

As we move towards half term may I take this opportunity to thank you for the support you have shown and acceptance of the changes that we have put in place. We have lots more exciting events to look forward to next half term.

Michelle Norbury

Do you have a concern?

If you have a safeguarding concern please speak to a Designated Person for Safeguarding. They are:

- Miss Michelle Norbury
- Mrs Nikki Sawyer
- Mrs Julie Perry



Upcoming Dates

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18th October – Maple Celebration of Learning
19th October – Elm Celebration of Learning
22nd – 26th October – Half Term
29th October – Professional Day (no school)
6th November – Diwali Activity Day

PTA Update

Unfortunately no one has come forward as Chair of the PTA so it will be disbanded. If you are prepared to take on this role please contact us and let us know. Thank you to all of its members for your hard work and efforts!

In the meantime we will still organise events and will be calling upon parent volunteers to support us with this on an event by event basis. The first of these will be the Christmas Fair on the 14th December.

Early Birds/ Stay and Play

The new booking procedures seem to be working effectively. Please remember to book in advance using

stayandplay@folksworth.cambs.sch.uk . For on the day bookings telephone the school office.

Breakfast at Early Birds is proving very popular so why not come and join us?

Upcoming Event

Our school has been invited to take part in the Local History Exhibition Commemorating the end of World War One on Saturday 10th November 10am-4pm at the Village Hall. We will be doing some art work in preparation for this. Why not come along and have a look at our art work?



Celebration Assemblies

In our celebration assemblies we have seen some fantastic achievements inside and outside of school. It is fantastic to see the wide range of activities our children take part in when they are not in school. So far we have seen achievements in swimming, Brownies, sailing, rugby and football. Please keep sending them in!

Dolce Lunches

Please remember that all school lunches should be ordered in advance at <u>www.live-kitchen.co.uk</u>

I am pleased to say that a salad bar has now been added to the daily menu. The menu will also be reviewed for the Spring Term taking on board the feedback we have shared with them.



Packed Lunches

We are a nut free school so please ensure that nut products, such as peanut butter, are not packed in your child's lunch. We would also be grateful if you would support us in teaching the children about eating healthily by not packing chocolate bars.

Prospective Parents

If you know anyone who has a child due to start school in September 2019 we would be keen to show them around our school. We are not setting specific days for this as we want to show families around individually to enable their questions to be fully answered. Please encourage them to phone or email the school office to book appointments for this.

A message from the Governors

We still have a space for a parent governor as no nominations were received. If you are interested in taking on this role please contact Miss Norbury

(mnorbury@folksworth.cambs.sch.uk).

Attendance

Following advice from the Local Authority term time leave will not be authorised unless for exceptional circumstances. Please note that holidays are not considered to be exceptional circumstances and will not be authorised.