

Newsletter: 7th October 2022

Key things to remember for next week

- 10th October Ultimate deadline for return of Christmas artwork forms in book bags
- 11th October Reception school trip to West Bridgford Park
- 12th October Parents Evening
- 14th October Last day of half term
- Remember to order school milk though <https://www.coolmilk.com/>
- Please see the bottom of the newsletter for more upcoming dates

What's been happening in school?



Reception

Our reception cohort has been introduced to the story of Percy the Park Keeper, reading the stories and talking about how Percy helps the animals. In expressive arts they have also been making patterns in dough with autumn objects and using dough to make characters from the Percy stories – hedgehog/mole/mouse. They have also been practicing their nursery rhymes in their weekly singing.

Year 1

In year one the children have been continuing with their theme of Supertato and also reading more Supertato stories. They have also been writing imaginative descriptions of Evil Pea! In maths they have also been learning to count backwards from a given number.



Year 2

Our year twos had a wonderful Farm trip to Stonehurst farm on Tuesday. The children enjoyed a tractor ride, saw many of the farm animals, including some 14 day old piglets and also got to pet guinea pigs in the barn. Afterwards they wrote recounts of their visit using time starters such as: first, then, later that morning etc... and lots of descriptive adjectives.

Thanks for your generous donations!

A huge thank you to everyone who has donated cakes and sweet treats for the cake sale this week. We have had a beautiful pile of them in the office today and it took all of our strength not to indulge! We hope to raise lots of funds at the cake sale today, so we will let you know how much we raise next week.



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Illness in school

It is that time of year again when we have lots of bugs circulating around the schools including high temperatures, sickness and diarrhoea and viral infections. Schools have been reminded this week of the current Government guidelines, which follow below.

What to do if your child has respiratory infection symptoms (including symptoms of COVID-19)

- The risk of becoming seriously unwell from COVID-19 and other respiratory infections is very low for most children and young people.
- Children and young people with mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat or slight (not persistent) cough, who are otherwise well, can continue to attend their education setting.
- Children who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people, where they can.
- They can return to school and resume normal activities when they no longer have a high temperature and they are well enough to attend.
- If a child has a positive COVID-19 test result they should stay at home and avoid contact with other people for three days after the day they took the test.
- Children who live with someone who has a positive COVID-19 test result should continue to attend school as normal.

Reception school trip to West Bridgford Park

On Tuesday 11th October we will be taking our Reception children on their first ever school trip to West Bridgford Park. We still need a few parent and carer volunteers to help accompany the children on Tuesday morning. If you would be interested in helping please speak to your class teachers.

Mental health workshop link

Unfortunately, we are unable to share a recording of the workshop with parents because of GDPR issues. However, we do have some really helpful resources on the school website for parents who were unable to attend the workshop or those who would like to find out more. Please see here for more details [Children's emotional health](#) If you would like more advice please feel free to contact our Mental Health Lead Ms Stevens.

Labelling wet weather items

As the rain draws in and temperatures drop you will be sending children with warm winter coats, coats hats, gloves and scarves etc... Please make sure all items of clothing are clearly labelled to avoid confusion and ensure items don't end up in lost property.



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Key dates

We have set as many dates as possible for the year ahead. As far as possible, we will try to honour these dates. All dates in **purple** are PTA events. Please be aware that dates may have to be changed due to circumstances outside our control. More detailed information about individual events will be shared over the coming weeks.

2022-23	Monday 17 th – Friday 28 th October Monday 31 st October Tuesday 1 st November Thursday 3 rd November Thursday 15 th & Friday 16 th December Monday 19 th December Wednesday 21 st December	October Half Term INSET Day – school closed to children First day back 😊 Ladies Evening- Stick and Ribbon at 19:30 Year 1 & 2 school nativity at St Giles am Reception Christmas sing along at WBIS Last Day of term – school finishes for Christmas break
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