<u>Hawks Newsletter</u>

Summer Term 2018

Dear Parents,

I hope you've all had a lovely Easter break and are feeling refreshed and recharged ready for the new term. For the first half of the term we will be discovering the world of our ancient ancestors from the Stone Age to the Iron Age.



<u>Key Dates:</u>

Hawks children will be embarking on our school trip on **Tuesday 22nd May** to the Higgins Museum in Bedford, to take part in different workshops to learn all about our topic this half term. Letters are to follow, so please ensure you have returned the permission slip to enable your child to take part.

Sports day will be on **Wednesday 27th July** in the morning with the alternative date of Tuesday 3rd July (if the first date is postponed due to weather).

Towards the end of the summer term the children will begin their transition into year 4 and will spend the day as year 4s on **Tuesday** 17th July.

Following the summer half term, the children return to school on **Tuesday 5th June** for the second half of the summer term.

<u>Homework</u>

Thank you for your support to help your child learn their multiplication/division facts and spellings. They will be tested on Wednesdays. Spelling and Mathematics homework books should be in your child's bag each day for checking and updating.

The Learning Logs will be given out with a new optional activity sheet. Please bring any completed activities into school as required for marking and return the learning log, regardless of whether activities have been completed, by the date stated on the learning log activity sheet.

MyMaths homework linking to learning in class will be set on Monday and will be checked on the following Monday.

Values:

Patience, Caring, Appreciation, Joy.

Finer Diners

Children will now be awarded Finer Diner tokens at break and lunchtime for showing the school values. The two children with the most in each class will earn themselves a seat at the Finer Diners table.



Learning Enrichment

As part of our next topic, "Stone to Iron Age", we are pleased to be welcoming into the school some local archeologists who have local knowledge of a recent dig at Marston Moretaine where stone age artefacts were discovered. The children will also be able to handle some of these artefacts which could be up to nearly 10,000 years old!

Hawks Class will have the opportunity to grow a variety of plants through Summer term. Therefore, I ask if children can bring in some old clothes that you don't mind getting dirty that we can use for gardening.

School Uniform

Our PE lessons continue to be on a Tuesday and Friday although we do appreciate PE kits being available in school all week. Please ensure that your child has the correct school PE kit and uniform. Please have a look at our website for details of the essential items for your child's uniform.

http://www.houghtonconquest.beds.sch.uk/n ode/33

<u>Reading:</u>

A reminder, children earn a sticker towards a reading reward every time they read three or more times per week at home. I would encourage you to help the progression of your child's reading by asking them questions about the book regularly, examples of questions can be found in your child's reading record.

Curriculum:

Please find attached our curriculum map taking us up to the end of the May half term.

Water Bottles

The children will be making use of the outside areas and as the weather warms, they will need to ensure that they have their own <u>labelled</u> <u>bottle of water</u> in school each day (and remind your child to return it regularly for cleaning).

Please ensure your child has a waterproof coat and sun hat. A reminder that sun cream should be applied at home in the morning before school and should last a whole school day.

Attendance:

Hawks class received the attendance bear last term. This is awarded to the class with the highest attendance over a half term. Let's see if we can win it again?



The attendance bear was so cool. We loved having him in our reading corner!!!

Thank you for your support, Mr Hetherington