



Dear Parents,

News from Classrooms:

Class 1: This week Class 1 have opened their Ice Cream Parlour in the home corner and have been enjoying lots of fun activities like measuring, shopping with coins and writing recipes and menus.

Class 2: In Class 2 this week the children became investigators, as someone had stolen one and a half doughnuts from the classroom! They investigated finger prints and interviewed suspects, but they did however receive an apology note from the doughnut thief and were rewarded for all their hard work with mini doughnuts! The class also started their Life Education work, having visited the very exciting Life Education Bus to learn all about the brain and how important it is to keep healthy. In maths the children worked really hard on multiplication and promised Mrs Copeland they would keep practising at home.

Class 3: This week Class 3 visited the Church to see the polling station and today have held their own class election. After a morning of campaigns and debates, the winning party was A.L.F.O, with Oliver Jordan as their elected Prime Minister and Finlay as his Deputy. In maths they have been exploring polygons and Mrs Longden's group have been working on long division.

Maths Next Week

Class 1: Shopping with coins, grouping and giving change.
Class 2: Division and problem solving
Class 3: Shape translations

Kingswood Trip – Message from Y4/5

We are ready to share with you the highlights of our trip to Kingswood. We would love for you to come and join us in the hall on Monday 12th June at 3.30pm for our special Kingswood presentation.

Class 1 Parent's Evening

All appointment times for Class 1 children were sent home on Monday. We look forward to seeing you next Tuesday or Thursday.

Book Fair

The Scholastic book fair will be running from Wednesday 14th June until 20th June. It will open from 8:40 - 9:10am and then from 3:15 – 3:45pm after school. This is a great opportunity to purchase some fantastic books and help school get free books at the same time. If we sell over £300 of books they will match our sales value with free books – equivalent to buy one get one free! Flyers went home on Wednesday. If you are unable to attend with your children, then they can bring some

money, in a named envelope to buy a book during the day. There will be lots of choice for every age group.

Book Fair Competition

We have 5 prizes of £5 book vouchers to give away, which can be spent at the book fair. In order to win, KS2 have to write an Amazon-style book review and KS1 have to make a poster of their favourite book. The deadline for entries is Monday 19th June.

School Photographs

Our class photographs are being taken on Wednesday 14th June. Please ensure all children have full school uniform on. Thank you.

New Starters Induction

Reminder that the first induction session for our new Reception children takes place on Wednesday 14th June 1.00-3.00pm.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Zac, who has been selected to play for the East Midlands under 12's basketball squad. We are so proud of him and wish him the very best of luck.

Pupil Premium

Although children in Reception class, Year 1 and Year 2 are currently entitled to universal infant free school meals (UIFSM), **if you are on a low income**, then your child may be entitled to Pupil Premium funding. This is a sum of money given to the school to support your child's education (please see our website for further details). If you think you may be eligible, please contact Leicestershire County Council FSM team on 0116 305 6588 and you can speak in confidence about your circumstances. Every penny counts, so do make that call!

Summer Holiday Clubs

Leaflets go home today regarding the summer club, run by the Vale of Belvoir out of School Club at Belvoir High School during w/c 31st July and w/c 7th August.

Andy Wings summer camp mornings are confirmed as 1st/2nd August and 8th/9th August.

There will be no play scheme at Waltham Primary this year.

Research Project

Letters are going home today with Y5/6 children, regarding a research project being undertaken by Clare Allen, a former Vale Headteacher and Supply Teacher who is well known to our school. Please return the reply slips only if you **do not** wish your child to take part in the project. Thank you.

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Forest Schools

Forest Schools sessions have now finished for this academic year, although teachers will still take the children outside to continue their learning. Outdoor clothes won't be necessary unless the teacher informs you differently.

Open the Book – Message from Judith Wells

Open the Book presents the Bible in primary schools in an accessible and enjoyable way. We are looking for volunteers to join our new Open the Book team, which will be visiting Redmile School on a regular basis from September. The assembly/act of collective worship takes only 10 minutes but extra time is needed beforehand for rehearsing, planning and prayer. With sufficient volunteers we can operate a rota system and you can give us as much time as you are able.

If you are interested in joining this new venture, come along and meet Tricia Little on Thursday 15th June at 7.30pm in St Peter's Church, Redmile, and find out just how easy it is to make a difference. For further details contact Tricia on 01949 843353 or email tricia65little@talktalk.net

Personal note from HT: Open the Book has been well-established at Waltham for a number of years now and the children absolutely love it! Please volunteer as it can't happen without you. Remember, you will have staff there to support you, so you won't be left with 90 children on your own!!

This week I met with the new vicar for our three villages, Revd David Payne. He is really keen to work with us and the children have already told him the things they like about assembly time, just to prepare him! He is hoping to join us next week for special assembly so that he gets to meet more of you. Please do say hello to him.

Letters going home this week

Book Fair Volunteers - named letters
Vale Multi-Skills Festival - Y1 & 2
Research Project – Y 5/6 pupils and parents
VOBOOSC Summer Play scheme

Yours sincerely,

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