

This week's merit certificates are awarded to;

Head Teacher's Award – Jack T

FS2 – Austin and Lucia

Yr 1 & 2 – Brooke and Rohan

Yrs 3 & 4 – Noah and Isabella

Yr 5 – Lily

Yr 6 – Annabelle and Evelyn

Music Merit – Jacob and Freddie

Sports Merit – Charlotte and Callum



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Dates for your diary

Monday 9th March –

Tuesday 10th March – Pre-School and Reception Class Imagination Town Trip

Wednesday 11th March – Vale Choir Day

Thursday 12th March –

Friday 13th March – Judo Taster Sessions

"Buckminster School, where children become Inspirational Learners"

Year 1/2 Family Assembly

Year 1/2 had a great family assembly last Friday. They shared the books they enjoy reading with everyone.



JCB Fastrac Visit for KS1



Mr Hazard kindly brought into School his JCB Fastrac Tractor on Wednesday as KS1 are starting a STEM project about agricultural vehicles this half term. All of the children in School got a chance to have a look around it.

World Book Day



Thank you to everyone for making such a fantastic effort for World Book Day, we saw some amazing costumes. Mrs Clarke held a special World Book Day Assembly.

Year 5/6



Year 5/6 have been investigating as part of the forces topic this week. They were learning about water resistance.

HEAD LICE – ESSENTIAL PLEASE READ

We still having a recurring problem in School with Head Lice.

IT IS ESSENTIAL that you check your child's hair thoroughly this weekend and treat as necessary.

Please then keep checking your child's hair on a daily basis.

With the nature of head lice if some parents keep checking and treating and even if one parent doesn't follow the advice then the spread starts all over again. It is unfair for the children and parents who treat their hair regularly if others are not so vigilant and proactive so please check.

We are hoping that if everybody does this and treats and checks regularly that we will be lice free. **This is for boys and girls please.**

Please make sure that hair is tied back and prevention spray is used. Thank you for your cooperation and help.

How to get rid of head lice

Important

You can treat head lice without seeing a GP.

Treat head lice as soon as you spot them.

You should check everyone in the house and start treating anyone who has head lice on the same day.

There's no need to keep your child off school if they have head lice.

Wet combing

Lice and nits can be removed by wet combing. You should try this method first.

You can buy a special fine-toothed comb (detection comb) online or from pharmacies to remove head lice and nits.

There may be instructions on the pack, but usually you:

- wash hair with ordinary shampoo
- apply lots of conditioner (any conditioner will do)
- comb the whole head of hair, from the roots to the ends

It usually takes about 10 minutes to comb short hair, and 20 to 30 minutes for long, frizzy or curly hair.

Do wet combing on days 1, 5, 9 and 13 to catch any newly hatched head lice. Check again that everyone's hair is free of lice on day 17.

Medicated lotions and sprays

Ask a pharmacist for advice if you have tried wet combing for 17 days, but your child still has live head lice.

They may recommend using medicated lotions and sprays. These kill head lice in all types of hair, and you can buy them from pharmacies, supermarkets or online.

Head lice should die within a day. Some lotions and sprays come with a comb to remove dead [lice](#) and eggs.

Some treatments need to be repeated after a week to kill any newly hatched lice.

Cooking This Week



This week's bakers, Year 1/2 have been making pizzas. They really enjoyed feeling the textures of the ingredients as the dough took shape, we got a bit sticky, but the results were amazing and smelt delicious!

Year 3 have been making scones, Mrs McKeown wishes we had jam and cream in the staff room!

Year R have been making biscuits, this week one of the children had double chocolate - smarties and giant buttons!



Cake Raffle



We have four more slots to fill up until the end of the Summer Term on our Cake Raffle Rota.

Please get in touch if you are able to donate a cake or bake a cake.

Thank you!

Colsterworth Festival of Performing Arts



Sam, Ben, Alex and Henley all won first place for their individual films. Well done to all four boys.



Charlotte came 2nd in the solo prose reading, 2nd in solo memorised poetry, 2nd in the Grade 2 piano class and joint 3rd with Charlie T-D in the Year 5-6 solo instrumental class. Congratulations Charlotte



Callum got man of the match at Kixx scoring a huge 6 goals in his match. He also passed his stage 2 at swimming after trying so hard for a long time. Well done Callum, we are all so proud of you.



Austin completed another round of testing in his karate on Monday 24th February, and as a result of passing, received his Red Belt. We are all really proud of him.



Bonnie is part of the Melton Indoor Bowls Junior Club and they were finalists in last Friday's Melton Times Sports Awards. They were nominated for Junior Club of the Year and were runners up which is a fantastic achievement up against the other clubs such as football and cricket. Well done Bonnie for being part of a great team.



Well done to Sam for achieving his green with white stripe belt (Kara 6th kyu) at karate. A super achievement!

Kate Hunt's Half Marathon



Parkinson's UK

We offer support and fund research to find a cure for Parkinson's

I am running the Bath Half Marathon on March 15th to raise money for Parkinson's UK. I have never run a race before, and the furthest I had ever run when I signed up was 5km. A half marathon is 21km, which is a very long way.

If anybody would be kind enough to sponsor me there is a sponsor form in the Office. Or if you prefer I have set up a Just Giving page. It is at:-

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/katehunt86>.

Many thanks, Kate Hunt.



Postcards for Kindness is an initiative, that the School Council would like the whole school to participate in. The School Council would like to start writing to the residents of Newton House in Grantham.

If you have a postcard at home or writing paper, please feel free to write a letter and post it into the school council suggestions box. These will then be sent to the residential home. (Blank postcards will be available from the School Council from Monday).

You can write about anything you like – school, a football match, world book day, your pet or maybe a day out! **PLEASE** do not include your full name or address and you do **NOT** need a stamp. The postcards and letters will be sent by Mrs Gough, in one large envelope.



Supporter No: 522614631

Dear Mrs D Clarke,

Thank you so much for responding to our emergency Australia Fire appeal and for your generous donation of £330.00 to help save the area's precious wildlife and support our long-term work to tackle the climate crisis.

The battles we fight are not easily won, but we need to be ambitious to reverse the devastating loss of nature. We're determined to change hearts and minds to make it politically, socially and economically unacceptable to degrade our planet's precious natural resources.

We're tackling the main problems that are driving nature's decline – notably deforestation through our food system and climate change. We couldn't achieve any of this without our supporters, so thank you once again – together we can achieve great things - together we can #fightforourworld.

Yours Sincerely,

Paul De Ornellas

WWF-UK Chief Adviser of Wildlife



Thanks to you

we're here for families
facing dementia

Thank you

Thank you so much for your kind donation of £65.00 to Dementia UK.
Your donation will mean that a family faced with dementia can receive the support of a specialist Admiral Nurse.

Your receipt is being sent to the email address you provided. Please

keep it for your records.

Thank you again for your generosity.

Coronavirus Update

Advice remains the same that no school should shut unless it has a confirmed case within the school (child or member of staff).

If you suspect you or anyone in your family may be infected, please go to <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/> for further information and call 111 for advice. We will inform you immediately if things change.

Diarrhoea and Vomiting Bug

We have a diarrhoea and vomiting bug in Pre-School at the moment. Please could we remind you of the NHS Guidance below. Pre-School is cleaned regularly but we are undertaking a deep clean of the setting to prevent spread.

When should my child return to school?



Chicken Pox When all spots have crusted over	Conjunctivitis None*	Diarrhoea & Vomiting 48 hours from last episode	Glandular Fever None*	Hand, foot & mouth None*	Impetigo When lesions are crusted & healed or 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
Measles or German Measles 4 days from onset of rash	Mumps 5 days from onset of swelling	Scabies After first treatment	Scarlet Fever 24 hours after commencing antibiotics	Slapped Cheek None*	Whooping Cough 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
	Flu Until recovered	Head Lice None*	Threadworms None*	Tonsillitis None*	

This information is based on the Public Health Agency guide

***No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed**



Dates 2020 (any new dates added will be underlined)

10th March - FS1/2 Trip to Imagination Town

11th March - Vale Choir Day

13th March - Judo Taster Sessions

17th March - Rev Rush Assembly
 20th March - Swimming Year 1, 2, 4 and Some Year 5
 23rd March - 9am Mothering Sunday Service at Buckminster Church.
24th March - Year 1 and Year 5 Fire and Rescue Talk
27th March - FS1/2 Fire Fighters Visit
 3rd April - Library Bus
 3rd April - 2.00pm Easter Service at Buckminster Church
 3rd April - Closes for Easter - No Swimming.
 20th April - Children back to school
 20th April - Class Photographs
 22nd April - FS1/2 Forest School
 23rd April - Paralympics Half Day - Inspire + Boccia
24th April - 11.00am Sam Ruddock Assembly - Parents and family members welcome
 27th April - First Aid Training for Year 5/6 Inspire+ Parents and Children (am)
 1st May - Swimming Year 1, 2, 4 and Some Year 5
 1st May - YR Family Assembly at 9.10am. Parents and family members welcome
 1st May - Library Bus
 6th May - FS1/2 Forest School
 8th May - FRIDAY BANK HOLIDAY (NOT 4th)
 11th -15th May - SATS week for KS2
 15th May - Lunch at the Tollemache for Year 6
 15th May - Swimming Year 1, 2, 4 and Some Year 5
18th-22nd May - Walk to School Week
 20th May - Year 3/4 Family Assembly at 9.10am. Parents/family members welcome
 22nd May - Close for Half Term
 1st June - Children back to School
 3rd June - FS1/2 Forest School
 5th June - Swimming Year 1, 2, 4 and Some Year 5
 5th June - Library Bus
 9th June - School Sports Day 1.15pm
 12th June - Year 5 (only) Family Assembly at 9.10am. Parents/family members welcome
 16th June - STEM Celebration Event - details to follow
 17th June - Mini Olympics for Year 3/4
 17th June - FS1/2 Forest School
 19th June - Swimming Year 1, 2, 4 and Some Year 5
 23rd June - 10.30am Sam Ruddock Assembly
 24th June - Year 1/2 Family Assembly at 9.10am. Parents/family members welcome
 25th June - Leicestershire County Council Recycling Assembly and Workshops in School
 1st July - FS1/2 Teddy Bear's Picnic at Forest School
 3rd July - Swimming Year 1, 2, 4 and Some Year 5
 3rd July - Library Bus
 6th July - Paralympic Half Day Inspire +
 8th July - Year 6 Leavers Evening at 6.30pm. Parents and family members invited
 10th July - End of Year Awards Assembly at 9.10am. Parents will be notified if your child is to receive an award.
 10th July - School Closes for Summer