

Newsletter

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Date for Dads

Thank you to all our Dads/Grandads/members of our community who kindly gave up their time to run a range of fun and educational activities for our children this afternoon. These included archery, light experiments, tag rugby, football, creative writing, model railways, triple jump/shot, silly sums and water bottle rockets. What a great afternoon and a way for the children to experience some different activities with so many positive male role-models.

WELL DONE! to the following pupils who received awards this week:

Acorns Class Values star: Tahlia

Chestnuts Class Values star: Gracie

Sycamores Class Values star: Toby

Maples Class Values star: Matilda

Willows Class Values star: Izzy

Oaks Class Values star: Harry L

Reading star: Rose Di, F5

Writing star: Riley, Y1

Maths star: George, Y2

PE star: Millie, Y1

Lunchtime star: Harry B, Y1

Best Class attendance: Sycamores (99.2%)

Role-model of the week: Hannah, Y3



Message from the Headteacher

I am delighted to report that at the end of last week we were successful in achieving the enhanced IVET values based education award for exceptional contribution to values in our school. This is testament to all the hard work by staff, pupils, parents, governors and members of the community to embed these into our school and a lovely accolade for the school. Further details will be available once our final report comes through.

In this warmer weather, please can all children continue to have a sunhat in school, have suncream on and bring their water bottle into school – it then makes it much easier to protect them from the sun. Thank you.

Please can the children not bring their own footballs into school – we do have school ones to use and they are a rather large, bulky item for school bags! Thank you.

Questionnaires

Today your child should have come home with a parent questionnaire in his/her bookbag. Don't forget that you have until 9am on Friday 13th July to return your feedback questionnaire. Your views are very important to us and will help to form priority areas for the school in the next academic year. Thank you.

Bake Off!

Well done to Madison Panting in Y5 who represented our school in this Y5 partnership event on Tuesday afternoon. Not only did she represent our school but she **WON** the whole competition and was quoted as saying, 'I have won for the school to show them Middle Barton is a great school!' This is lovely news and very well deserved by Maddie.

Annual reports and books out

Next Friday every child will be bringing home an annual report, providing you with an overview of your child's attainment, progress, attendance, strengths and areas for development. Attendance and punctuality figures, child views and headteacher comments also form part of the report. Please do complete the parent view section and return it to us by the end of the school year. We hope the report will provide a really useful summary of the year your child has had in school. In addition, your child will be coming home with their workbooks from the year. We like to keep hold of three sets of books from each year group for evidence. If your child's books are chosen for this purpose, he/she will still get to take them home, but not until next Easter time.

Fete

What a great success this was last Sunday. It was wonderful to see so many members of our community enjoying the stalls, barbeque and icecreams, dancing displays and the choir singing, not to mention the competitive tug of war activities! A big thanks to all our fabulous FOMBs team, especially those who helped set up and clear up afterwards. We managed to raise £1577.22 for our school! Don't forget icecreams will still be on sale on Fridays after school for the last few weeks, including after sports day.

Theatre reminders

Just a reminder that all KS2 children need packed lunches on Monday and Tuesday for their two days in the theatre.

This year we are taking a coach to and from the theatre for KS2 on both days and will return to school for 3pm on Monday.

On the Tuesday, when the FS/KS1 children come to watch, the whole school will return to the Sports and Social club for 3.30pm.

We would like all children to return on the coach, even if you are a parent who is watching in the afternoon, as this makes things much easier on a practical level. In the

evening, please can all KS2 children return to the side door of the theatre between 5.30pm and 5.40pm.

Thank you.

Finally, it's not too late to buy tickets to see the production. The theatre box office number is 01608 642350.

Rehearsals have been going well and we hope that you will be impressed with the standard of the performance the children put on next week.

Break a leg, everyone!

Health and fitness week

The week commencing Monday 16th July is Health and Fitness session on Monday between 3pm and 4pm for children and adults in the hall. And of course (weather permitting) Friday 20th July is sports day with the first races beginning at 12.45pm. Please do bring along a picnic lunch for you and your child to enjoy on the field from 12pm.

Virtual athletics success!

Our school has won the final partnership events of the year, the KS2 Virtual Athletics and the whole school virtual marathon! The virtual athletics involved the whole of KS2 completing a tennis ball throw, standing long jump and speed bounce. The top three boys and girls' results from each year group were then sent to Miss Fisher at Chipping Norton School, to be compared with the other partnership schools' results. Well done to all children receiving a 1st, 2nd or 3rd place certificate! There were also record-breaking performances from Oly H and Bella W for the long jump! The whole school was involved in the Virtual Marathon and each child ran a mile - the fastest 26 miles were then added together to make a total marathon time. Well done, MB!