



## School Newsletter

Dear Parents

What an eventful week!

The highlight for me had to be the choir singing at the Royal Albert Hall. It was such a wonderful experience for all involved. The children were amazing, and it was so emotional for the adults on the stage to be part of the performance (I had to hold back a few tears). The sense of occasion was not lost on anyone, I'm sure those of you that were in the audience would agree. We are so proud of how well the children behaved both on and off the stage. Thank you for the emails of thanks which I have shared with Mr Mackriell and Mrs Brogan. I have emailed Faye Hayhurst to thank her for the opportunity to sing at the Royal Albert Hall. The biggest thanks must go to the children who sang so beautifully.

Mr Winnicott and Ms Smith (School Governors) came to the Infant site on Thursday to have a look at how we teach phonics. It was useful for them to see the consistency of approach and progression throughout the Infant site. The children were engaged, attentive and their phonics knowledge was great.

A final thank you to the children who raised money for the Ukrainian refugees in the sponsored silence. A special thank you to Lana, Claudia, Blayne and Wilfred who all raised over £100 each.

Thank you for your generosity.

Mrs Price

### School guidance for children with COVID symptoms

The new April 1<sup>st</sup> guidance is now online here - <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/people-with-symptoms-of-a-respiratory-infection-including-covid-19> - and I will include the key points for schools below:

### **When children and young people with symptoms should stay at home and when they can return to education**

- Children and young people with mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat, or slight cough, who are otherwise well, can continue to attend their education setting.
- Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people, where they can. They can go back to school, college or childcare, and resume normal activities when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.

### **Children and young people aged 18 years and under who have a positive test result**

- It is not recommended that children and young people are tested for COVID-19 unless directed to by a health professional.
- If a child or young person has a positive COVID-19 test result they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test, if they can. After 3 days, if they feel well and do not have a high temperature, the risk of passing the infection on to others is much lower. This is because children and young people tend to be infectious to other people for less time than adults.
- Children and young people who usually go to school, college or childcare and who live with someone who has a positive COVID-19 test result should continue to attend as normal.

### Sports Update

Year 6 took part in a swimming competition last Wednesday. The children were excellent ambassadors for our school and worked well as a team. I was so proud of them all and we came 2nd overall - what an amazing achievement, well done swimming team.

We got through to the finals of the Buckinghamshire and Milton Keynes School Games Gymnastics and took part in a competition this Wednesday. The girls performed beautifully and, although we didn't place, they came out of the competition in high spirits. Well done Gymnastics team: Freya, Milly, Calli, Holly, Maisie and Hannah. A special mention to Hannah who stepped in at such short notice - well done.

We played a boys' and girls' football match this Monday against Oakley school. The children played with enthusiasm and incredible team spirit and, although it was a near win, it ended as a draw for both matches. Thank you to Mr Peaks and Mrs Swain for coming to support and coach the teams with me.

We are delighted to announce that we have got through to the netball finals! These will take place this Monday at John Colet - Very excited; good luck to the Netball Team.

Thank you to Mrs Brogan for organising and supporting all of these sporting events - we could not do it without her!

### Staff changes

As you are aware we are having to move staff around next term. We understand that it is never ideal to move teachers around part way through the year, but we have tried to make the best decision for the children.

### Fortnite

It has been brought to our attention that children in all year groups are playing on Fortnite, including children in Foundation. This is not a suitable game and is rated suitable for children over the age of 13. Some children are being encouraged by older siblings to play the game; these games are not suitable for younger children. Please make sure that you have the correct parental controls on their devices so that you can limit access to games that are not appropriate for their age.

### Bus tags and Afterschool clubs on the Junior site

There has been some confusion with children when they are unsure about what is happening at the end of day regarding bus travel and afterschool clubs.

If your child has their bus tag on and are attending an afterschool club, we will send them to the afterschool club. This will happen even if the child says they are on the bus, but we have not received notification from parents. This is to ensure that the child is safe in school and not waiting at bus stop alone.

### **F4CADS**

#### Second-hand Uniform sale

If you are unable to attend the uniform sale today at the Infant Site, F4CADS have also set up an online ordering system for parents to use. Please remember that stock may be limited online, the attached flyer provides information on how to order via email.

#### Dinton Easter Egg Hunt

F4CADS are delighted to be able to organise an Easter Egg hunt for the children this year. The trail will be available throughout the Easter holidays around the village of Dinton. There will be word clues to find and highlighted letters in each answer which will spell out a mystery word.

The cost to take part is a minimum donation of £2.50 and is payable through the School Gateway App, this payment is open now and will close on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April. All children who have brought a trail will be given their map complete with a set of clues on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April.

Once you have completed the trail all forms need to be handed back into school by Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April. All children who return their completed forms will receive a chocolate egg. This is a great opportunity for the children to get out and explore the village over the holidays with family and friends.

### **Important Dates -**

1st April - F4CADS Second-hand uniform sale on infant site

7th April – Whole School Easter Service at Cuddington church

8th April - Finish half day for Easter Holidays (1.15pm Infants / 1.30pm Juniors)

## Payments Open -

Morning and Night Owls Bookings  
F4CADS Uniform sales  
Donations 2021 (Junior site food contributions)  
Ukraine Sponsored Silence fundraiser /donations  
Year 6 Derby 2022 Residential Trip



Little Owls - Willoughby and Jacob

Yr 1 - Clara and Thea

Yr 2 - Ingrid and Theo

Yr 3 - Maya S and Ben

Yr 4 - Isabelle L , Lana and Anna M

Yr 5 - Oscar and Freddie F

Yr 6 - Ross and Abigail



## Leaves

Little Owls - All foundation children

Yr 2 - Tiago

## Sports Stars

Yr 4 - Finlay

Yr 6 - Martha

*Please go to the school website calendar for diary  
dates [www.cuddingtonanddintonschool.co.uk](http://www.cuddingtonanddintonschool.co.uk)*

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