

## Frieth Primary School NEWSLETTER

## Let Your Light Shine!

Monday 14th March 2022

I hope you are all well and enjoying the longer evenings. I know I am!



It's been fantastic to start class assemblies again. Developing the children's oracy and performing skills is so crucial and we've really missed out these last two years.

Eagles Class kicked off our current run of class assemblies last Friday 4th March. Having written the assembly themselves, talking about the learning they had particularly enjoyed so far this year, they also created PowerPoint presentations to illustrate what they were discussing. All children involved did a fantastic job in sharing their learning, speaking clearly and confidently! There was even a performance by the class's resident rock band, 'English Eagles'! Well done Year 6!

Not to be outdone, Kites Class also pulled off a blinding performance. As well as some outstanding writing and artwork on show, the children put their vocal chords to great use with a superb rendition of 'Happy' by Pharrell William as well performing Macavity the Mystery Cat as a choral piece. We also saw how the iPads are being used to enrich the children's education as they showed some of the presentations they had used through the Shadow Puppet app. Awesome work Kites!

We have enjoyed lots of sport these past two weeks. Following our participation at the recent squash festival, we were offered some additional lessons and welcomed in an expert coach who ran sessions with our Year 3 and 4 children. In addition, Buzzards and Kestrels have been enjoying hockey sessions every Tuesday morning. The children have been thoroughly enjoying these opportunities.

What progress the football team has made since the start of the year! They earned two draws in very closely fought matches that they could have easily won. A special mention must be given to captain Jack Meechan for his leadership and commitment. Keep the progress going footballers!

We saw the long-awaited debut of the rugby team on Wednesday as they took on Lowbrook Academy and what a match it was! Despite going 3-0 down after just a couple of minutes, the team clawed their way back, eventually being defeated by a slim 10-9. Considering Lowbrook has three times the number of children we do, plus a rich history of success on the rugby pitch, this was a remarkable achievement. Below is my favourite photo from the afternoon, it demonstrates the magic of how sport brings us all together. I'm looking forward to the rematch!



This week, the netballers have their chance to 'let their light shine' as they have three matches including their first two league games. Come and cheer the team on after school on Tuesday and Thursday. As always, tea, coffee and biscuits provided!

I would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to all the parents who gave up their Saturday morning to help at the work party. As I have said before, I count myself extremely fortunate to have such a supportive parent community and we are now another step closer to finishing the Early Years outdoor area. A special thanks must be given to Dean Gibbins, Laura Stone and Alex Brown for all their hard work in planning and leading the day.

## **Bounce for Books!**



On Friday, the children had bundles of fun bouncing around to raise money for the PTA which is to be spent on reading materials. Again, I'd like to thank the PTA, the parent helpers and

especially Becky Batt for organising the event.

The annual Footprints Service will take place on Sunday 20th March at 3pm in Hambleden. Footprints is a service of remembrance for anyone who has lost a child of any age, or stage of life and takes place just before Mother's Day. In past years, several parents from Frieth School have joined us and teachers from local schools who have sadly lost a pupil have come along to remember them and to light a candle. Everyone is very welcome to this special service – FLYER ATTACHED.

I would also like to make parents and caregivers aware that the last day of the summer term is Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July at 1pm. This has changed due to the Jubilee bank holiday which falls in May half term.



It was great to see so many parents get involved in Maths Week. If any parents would like to be involved in Science Week, please contact Miss Green.

Please can parents and caregivers ensure the children wear the correct school uniform. Over

the past few weeks, I have noticed an increased number of children in trainers and patterned socks. P.E kit should also be plain or have the school logo only on it. School uniform plays a key role in promoting pride, self-confidence, and a feeling of belonging among pupils. Thank you for your support in this matter.



All school dates can also be found on the school website. New dates in red

Tues 15<sup>th</sup> March: Netball Match Frieth v Burford 3.45pm
Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> March: Netball Match Frieth v Hamilton Trust 3.30pm

Frid 18<sup>th</sup> March: Buzzards Assembly (2.45pm)

Frid 18<sup>th</sup> March: Red Nose Day

Mon 21st March: Kites trip to Oxford Castle

Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> March: Kickboxing Taster Day – All Years (more details to

follow)

Tues 22nd March:Rugby Match Lowbrook v Frieth 3.15pmWed 23rd March:Netball Match Frieth v Downley 3.30pmThurs 24th March:Netball Match Bledlow v Frieth 3.30pm

Frid 25<sup>th</sup> March: Kestrels Assembly (2.45pm)

Frid 25<sup>th</sup> March: Football March Frieth v Chepping View 3.45pm

W/c 28<sup>th</sup> March: Science Week

Mon 28th March:Owls trip to Woolley FirsTues 29th March:Netball Carrington v Frieth 3.30pmWeds 30th March:Netball Monks v Frieth 3.30pmThurs 31st March:Rugby Match Frieth v Holy Trinty 3.45pm

Tues 5<sup>th</sup> April: Owls Assembly (2.45pm)

Weds 6<sup>th</sup> April: Football Frieth v Chepping View 3.45pm
Weds 6<sup>th</sup> April Netball Highworth v Frieth 3.30pm
Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> April: Drama4All Workshop (Reception to Year 2)
Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> April: Rugby Match Holy Trinty v Frieth 3.45pm

Frid 8<sup>th</sup> April: School Church Service 9.30am
Frid 8<sup>th</sup> April: Break up for Easter – 1pm
Tues 26<sup>th</sup> April: Young Voices – SSE Arena, Wembley

Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> April: London Irish Rugby Training session – Rugby Club

(NEW DATE)

Frid 6<sup>th</sup> May: Buzzards & Kestrels Trip to Waddesdon (more

details to follow)

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> May: Class Photos

Wed 25<sup>th</sup> May: PSCO visiting Eagles (more details to follow)
Frid 27<sup>th</sup> May: Heros of History Workshop (more details to follow)

W/C 30<sup>th</sup> May: Half Term 6<sup>th</sup> June: Back to school