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Blue Badge Recipients

Blue Badges were awarded this week to the following children:

Reception: Crystal for her super independent writing

Stefano for his amazing problem solving with money

Year 1: Henry and Logan for their imaginative story writing

Year 2: All of the Year Two team for their hard work and perseverance during this

week's challenges

Year 3: Whole class for their sensible and mature attitude every morning this week

during SATs; respecting the needs of the other children

Year 4: Grace for her fantastic attitude towards her role of the March Hare

Mariam for setting a super example to others in everything she does

Year 5: Mrs Wilkinson and Mrs Whitehead for outstanding effort in their field (well

Rand Farm's field)! Thank you for your efforts in looking after the children

this week

Year 6: All of the Year Six Team for their hard work and attitude during this week of

assessments.

Well done to all of you. We are proud of the work that you produce and the effort that you put into all areas of school life.

It is a pleasure to give out the blue badges to the children each week, celebrating their successes both in and out of the classroom. It has been great to see the children wearing their badges with pride this week.

SATs Week

A huge well done goes to all the children in Years Two and Six who have completed their SATs this week. We are all extremely proud of how well the children took the tests in their stride. This is also down to the hard work of their teachers and yourselves as parents in the preparation and build up to this week, so thank you. The results of the tests will not be published to school until July and parents will receive these as part of the annual report at the end of the academic year.

They celebrated with an ice-cream given generously by Mrs Naylor our Co-Chair of the Governing Body.

A big thank you must also go to Mrs Craddock, Mrs Swift and Mrs Twells who invited the Year Six children to attend Breakfast Club this week, helping them get each day off to a flying start.





New Parents' Evening

This week we held an information evening for our 2018 Reception parents. I hope we didn't overload the parents with too much information and that the evening was useful. Thank you to all the parents and staff who attended. A special thank you to our School Ambassadors: Nancy and Fathima, who welcomed our visitors and helped with a tour of the school. They are both excellent illustrations of how confident and self-assured our pupils become.

Afterschool clubs - week commencing 21 May

Due to the performances by Years three and four next week, only be the following afterschool clubs will be running:

- Guitar club with Mr Philo and Mrs Godson
- Gardening club with Mrs Godson
- Athletics with Mr Gillespie

Rauceby Needs You!

As I am sure you are all aware, Emma Evans is standing down as Chair of the PTFA, along with the committee, as she and her family are moving to Scotland. Emma and her team have worked diligently to raise much needed funds and will be a huge loss to the school family. Filling these boots must be an extremely daunting prospect to any parent that wants to get involved, but please be reassured that it is not expected that this level of fundraising will be maintained. We just require 6-8 volunteers to help coordinate 3 or 4 events next year to raise funds for school. We will support you in every way we can and I am sure the old committee will be on hand to guide you. The more hands the better, even if you can only spare the odd hour. If you feel you may be able to support, then please get in touch with either Emma or the school office. Thank you.

Year Five Residential to Rand Farm Park

At the point of writing this, the children from Year Five are having a wonderful time at Rand Farm Park. They have been learning about life on a farm and the various skills and industry linked to farming. They are due to return today and next week we will have a full report of all the exciting things they have been up to.

The pictures give us a flavour of what they have been doing; I'm sure there will be many stories to follow.







A Right Royal Day

Across the school children were learning about, and celebrating tomorrow's big event. No, not the Cup Final, the other big event being held in Windsor! Pictures to follow...

Alice in Wonderland

The exciting performance of Alice in Wonderland by the year three and four children is taking place on Tuesday and Wednesday, 22 and 23 May. During both performances we will hold a cake sale to raise funds for future whole-school productions. We would greatly appreciate donations of 'Alice in Wonderland' themed cakes, tarts and cup-cakes to sell. If you are able to help could we request that all food items are brought into school on the morning of the 22 May. Thank you for your continued support, Miss Applewhite and Mrs Godson.

Breakfast and Afterschool Club - places available

We have limited spaces available at both our Breakfast and Afterschool Clubs.

Breakfast club runs from 7.45am-8.30am. During this time the children have a large choice of breakfast items to start the day, and they can take part in various fun activities before being escorted to join the rest of the pupils arriving on the playground.

Afterschool Club offers two sessions: 3.30pm-4.30pm and 4.30pm-5.30pm. During this time the children are offered a snack and once again take part in various fun activities.

If you are interested in making use of this service please discuss it with the office staff.

Upcoming Events

Tues 22 May - Year 3/4 play - afternoon Weds 23 May - Year 3/4 play – evening

Weds 23 May - Reception school trip (Woodside Wildlife)

Fri 25 May - End of term (normal finish time)

Mon 4 June - Start of Term 6

Mon 4 – Fri 8 June - Year 6 Residential to Malham, Nth Yorks.

Wed 6 June - Year 3/4 Trip to Bransby Horses.

Mon 11 – Fri 15 June - Year 1 Phonics Check Week

Tues 12 June-Year 4 at Church School Festival (Sleaford)Wed 13 June-Year 6 at Church School Festival (Lincoln)Thurs 14 June-School 175th Anniversary Celebrations

Fri 15 June - KS2 Swimming Gala

Tues 19 June - Year Five taster days at Carre's and KSHS



PTFA News

Ice Cream Fridays

We shall be selling ice creams on the following Fridays: 18, 25 May; 8, 15, 22, 29 June; 6, 13 and 20th July.

Race Night

Tonight is the Race Night, arrive anytime from 6.30pm, for a start at 7pm!

9 races, 72 horses!! There are still some available to buy on the night at £5 each, you get to name your horse, and if it wins you win a prize!

It's set to be a really fun evening, and its only £1 to come along plus whatever you spend on race bets and refreshments! Everyone is welcome especially the children.

We hope to see you all there.

Tea Towels

All tea towel orders need to be received with payment by 25th May at the very latest. We are only ordering as many as we have pre ordered, at present that's 77.

It really is a lovely keepsake of your child's self-portrait and of how they see the teachers!

175th School Celebration

Although this event is being funded by the PTFA we are <u>very open</u> to any donations that can keep costs down.......We will need approx. 230 bun sized cakes.......230 bags of crisps.......bottles of squash-sugar free.......200+ ice pops (not frozen).......24 packets of pink wafers & ice rings. If you would like to donate any of these items, or a nominal amount, please pop a note, for the attention of the PTFA, in the office with your name and what you will provide.

Thank you as always
The PTFA

Sleaford Swap Shop

The Sleaford Swap Shop is run by the volunteers from Sleaford Parents' Forum, and provides families with an affordable and essential clothing service. For many local families, they rely on us to maintain this service so that they can clothe their children. We also work with a local homeless shelter providing essential items for families that literally have nothing, as they have had to flee their old lives. You don't just need to swap clothes in in order to obtain other items; you can also buy items for cash, which makes our service accessible to everyone. Because we are a wholly charitable organisation, we rely on the kindness of people to donate items that we can sell or swap. And all money raised goes towards providing activities, sessions and trips for local families, many of which come from extremely disadvantaged backgrounds. Please can you help?

Can you donate something to the centre that we could sell in our swap shop? We are in desperate need of clothes for any gender aged 3months - 15 years. Also our maternity range is non-existent at the moment. We accept clothing items ranging from birth to sixteen years as well as maternity and school wear, children's blankets, duvet covers and curtains, maternity pillows, maternity items, anything to help aid pregnancy and those vital first months, toys including age appropriate console games and DVDs, Moses baskets, baby baths, walkers that fold down, basically anything that relates to pregnancy, babies and children. Unfortunately we cannot accept items with an electric plug, or anything bigger than a baby bath or car seats. Please ensure clothes, etc. are in a good clean condition suitable to be sold or swapped.

Thank you, Vivien Banks
Chairperson - Sleaford Parents' Forum