



*Good to talk even better to listen*  
*Respect myself, school and the community*  
*Enjoy and achieve safely*

*Able to make mistakes and learn from them*

*Together we aim high*

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and INSET days.

## A Note from the Head of School, Mrs Baines-Chambers:

Please make time to come along on Parents Evening (Monday 17<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October) to find out about the progress your child has been making. It is really important for your child that we all work in partnership with each other to ensure that your child has the best support in their education.

During these evenings there will be refreshments available and I would appreciate it if you could spend 5 minutes of your time providing us with some feedback - what do you think we are doing well and what we could do even better. Your feedback is important to us and helps form part of our school development plan.

We will be holding a 'Book fair' from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October to Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October. The fair will be open each day for half an hour after school 3:20pm to 3:50pm. The book fair will also be open throughout parents evening on the Monday and Tuesday.

Each class will have the opportunity to view the books on sale during class time so watch out for a 'wish list' that they might bring home!

Thank you for your continued support!

## FS 1 and FS 2

In FS1 we have been doing lots of learning about our homes and where we live. We started by looking at our world, then our country and finally our own houses. We have made lollipop stick houses, junk modelled some dens as a team, designed and painted our own wall paper and planted and cared for some shoe box gardens- We have been very busy! Next week we are going to be learning all about the people who help us in our community, we can't wait!

What another fantastic week we have had in FS2 learning all about ourselves and where we live! In FS2 we have been looking at our area and the world around us, we have even created our own Earth collage. In FS2 we have been working as a team to build houses in our woodland area, ordering our house numbers and we even went on a local walk to take photos of what is around us! Mrs Brentnall and Miss McCabe are so proud of the team work and writing which has been happening this week! Mrs Brentnall's class are excited for their trip on Wednesday morning to St Anne's Orchard to meet Percy the Park keeper, if you think you are able to help, please come and see us!

## Year 1

During the week we have written an alternative ending to our class book, Princess Smartypants. We have used some exciting adjectives and focused on our letter formation! Prince charming was turned into lots of hideous things and sent all the way to space. Because our class trip to Chatsworth was so fun, we wrote recounts of the exciting things we did using time connectives. The children's work was fantastic and both teachers are really impressed with their progression. In Science we have learned about the different parts of a plant and what their functions are. It was really fun because we used a real living plant to closely see each part.

## Year 2

We have had a GREAT couple of weeks in Year 2. Mr Christie and Miss Syson are so impressed with the determination that all the children are showing at the moment. In literacy we have been using 'Talk for Writing' to help us tell the story of Grandma Swagg's dramatic escape from prison. The children even performed their stories to Mrs Marvill, Mrs Brentnall and Mr Lowther who were all blown away by the children's storytelling skills!

In numeracy the children have been SUPERSTARS! They have been learning how to solve addition problems using the column method. This is really tricky, but the children have mastered it already. Mr Christie and Miss Syson think we may have some future maths teachers in our mist!

## Year 3

We had a GREAT week last week in Year 3! In line with our class book, we have been working hard, learning all about the Stone Age. We have learnt all about people in the Stone Age and created some fabulous collages of Stone Age boys and girls. We were super scientists and learnt all about rocks and even made our own compost bins with real life worms. Year 3 blew everyone away with their fantastic comic strips and super stories. We can't wait for next week!

## Year 4

It has been a really exciting couple of weeks for Year 4. We had a visit from a real life farmer who helped us to write job descriptions to become a Wyndham Farmer. We also looked at persuading the children to help Mr Brown with the Wyndham Farm by creating persuasive posters. The following week, we jetted off to explore the Amazon Rainforest, the largest rainforest in the world. We are really looking forward to our trip to Rosliston Forestry Centre this week and are excited to explore the woodlands and toast marshmallows on an open fire. It should be a GREAT couple of weeks ahead.

## Year 5

Year 5 have had some exciting lessons based around coding using Lego. We've had a go at making fans and tried to make them even more Eco Friendly by adding in motion sensors too! Ask any year 5 child to explain how they did it. Make way for the new inventors of the world!

The year 5/6 football team have played their first match against Springfield. Unfortunately, we lost both games against them but displayed some incredible skills! A special mention needs to be made for Daniel Kendrick who scored an absolute dream of a volley. Man of the match for the first game was Dominic Halstead and for the second was Daniel Kendrick.

## Year 6

Year 6 have had an action-packed couple of weeks. We have really enjoyed continuing to read our book 'Trash' and even wrote our own version of events to predict what happened next. In maths, we have been focusing on developing our addition and subtraction skills through using formal methods. We applied our learning of solving problems to help us break free from the Behala jail. In science, we have been developing our knowledge of adaptation by considering how different animals are suited to their environment. We carried out an experiment to see if we could survive living in the arctic as an endothermic mammal, just like a polar bear!

Just a reminder that we will be visiting the Open Centre on Monday 17th October - please can you ensure that your child has returned their permission slip.

## Road Traffic

We please ask for consideration for pedestrians when parents in cars are dropping off their children. It has been very busy around the front of school especially near the infants area with parents parking on the pavements. We are very concerned for the safety of the children because of this. We would like to remind you that you are able to park at the church hall on Barrett Street or if you live near to the school, leave the car at home and walk to school to drop off and collect your child.

## Christmas cards

We have sent home a copy of the Christmas cards for the children who were in school on the day we designed them. Please fill in the inside of the card and return to the office together with money so they can be ordered and printed. Cards and orders need to be returned by 17th October.

## School lunches

A reminder that children need to stay either dinners or sandwiches for a full term. The only time where this can be changed is either at the beginning of a new term or when the school office has instructed a change due to money owing

Are you Polish, Russian, Kurdish, Latvian, French, Hungarian, German, Spanish, Indian or any other non-English speaking country? Do you need help with English? Yes? So this meeting is for you. Have you got any forms to fill in and you're struggling? Please bring them with you. Hopefully I can help. I will try my best.

Come and join our English lessons in International Wyndham Parents Café on Monday at 9am in Infants Hall.

Lessons free of charge. Coffee and biscuits provided. :)

## Switched On Reading

We would like to ask if any of you would like to help with 'Switched On Reading' at school. If you are interested pop to the school office for more information. You will be required to attend an interview for this but we will ensure that you access training and support to help you in the role. Your support would be very much appreciated!