



### **Dates for the Term**

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September - 5SU and 5JF Ferry Meadows trip

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September - PTA Meeting 2pm at school

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September - 5BR and 5TL Ferry Meadows trip

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September - School Photographs

Year 6 SAT evening at 6pm

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October - Food Bank Bake Off

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October - Year 3 Irchester Park trip

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October - Year 6 Stibbington Trip

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October - Year 6 Stibbington Trip

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October - Year 6 Stibbington Trip

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October - Year 6 Stibbington Trip

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October - Wear Pink Day for Breast Cancer Charity

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October - School Council Parliament Visit

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October - Last day of term

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November - First day back to school

### **Year 3**

Well done to all of our new year 3 children for settling into school really well and working really hard at the start of term.

If you would like to talk to your child's class teacher, the best time to talk to them is at the end of the school day after they have dismissed their class. Year 3 teachers will be on the playground most days after school. Also, please use the planner to write any notes which you would like the teacher to see - the children will need to show these notes to the teacher if anything has been written.

### **Year 4**

Swimming started on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September for pupils in 4LH and 4HG.

Year 4 are welcoming parents and carers into class every Thursday morning from 19<sup>th</sup> September from 8.40am to 9am to read with their child. Younger siblings are very welcome.



### Food Bank Bake Off

To raise money for the Irthlingborough Food Bank, we kindly ask you to bake any sort of dessert of your choice such as: bread, doughnuts, muffins, shortbread, etc. Please make sure they have been created by you (possibly with the help of a grown up) and not shop bought; you will be disqualified from the competition if they are not homemade.

The sale and competition will take place on **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October**. There will be 6 ½ judges in total, they are Mr Garley, Mrs Bulloss, Mrs Long, Miss Shuttleworth, Mrs Powell and Mrs Meekings (and her little surprise helper). There will be three winners for each year. The winners of the competition will win:

- 1<sup>st</sup> place - a pencil case in the shape of an ice lolly.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place - a pack of colouring pencils.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place - a pencil and rubber.

Muffins, shortbread, cakes, bread and biscuits will be £1 but doughnuts and pies will be £1.50. Make sure all of the desserts are handed in at the upper hub in the morning, we will come and collect them.

The reason we are trying to raise money is that there is a shocking and heart-breaking number of people that aren't as lucky as us and need help providing food and certain products needed. We want to help those people live a happy and healthy life.

Thank you Demi, Amy, Ashlee, Isabelle, Year 6.

### Wear pink for Breast Cancer

Friday 18th October

Mufti costs £1

'Every Breast Cancer Awareness Month, wear it pink brings together thousands of people on one day. Since launching our campaign in 2002, over £33 million was raised and we could help make more to save lives'.

Please help us by wearing pink and raising money.

### Free School Meals

If you or your partner receives any of the following benefits, your child could be offered even further support in school if you are eligible for **Free School Meals**:

- *Income Support*
- *Income Based Job Seekers Allowance*
- *Child Tax Credit Only (with income up to £16,190) with no element of Working Tax Credit*
- *National Asylum Seekers Support*



- *Guarantee Element of the State Pension Credit*
- *Employment and Support Allowance (income related)*
- *Universal Credit (income dependant)*

This is funding which is given to schools and nurseries to support your child. However, you still must apply individually through the County Council. Even if you decided not to have the free school meal (which all Infant aged children are entitled) you can still gain additional support for your child. This can support your child's individual needs.

How to register for Free School Meals:

You can apply on line through the county website [www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals](http://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals)

### **Kingswood Hot Meals**

Our hot meal providers are Kingswood Catering. If you would like to order your child a hot meal, please see the link below. If you think you might qualify for free school meals, please contact Northamptonshire County Council on 0300 126 1000.

Click on the link below for the Irthlingborough Junior School page on their website:

[www.kingswoodcatering.co.uk/menu-page/47102](http://www.kingswoodcatering.co.uk/menu-page/47102)

### **Play Equipment**

Children should not be on site before the doors open at 8.45am. There have been a number of children arriving early and using the new play equipment - please ensure that your child does not do this. If you need child care before school please contact Miss Roche to find out about Breakfast Club on 07717 004735.

### **Main School Reception**

Just reminder that the school office/reception is open from 8.15am to 3.45pm. Please do not ring before or after these times unless leaving a message on the designated answer machines.

Please do not use the school office area as a short cut.

### **Absences**

Please telephone the school office on every day of your child's absence. This would save time for office staff who are having to make calls to parents who aren't making daily calls to the office.

If you have updated your mobile phone number and/or email address please let the office know.



**End of school day**

Can we remind all parents collecting their children after school that they should wait for them at the designated outside areas, due to health and safety reasons. We can not allow parents/carers to wait in the office area. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.