

Barnabas Oley

Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers

Unbelievably we are at half term already. The children have all been working really hard and so we urge them to have a really good rest next week.

The Muddy Fun Run on 31st January was a tremendous success with over 60 children taking part. Well done to everyone who took part and to our muddiest winner too!

Today we say goodbye to Mrs Lucyna Jachacy who is emigrating with her family to Australia. She has had a really positive impact on our International relationship with the Polish school in Tychy and with ICT provision across the school. We wish her well.

I am off to visit schools in Finland over the Half Term break with the hope that I may be able to establish links with a new partner school for Barnabas Oley. I will let you know if this is successful after the holiday. I hope that you are able to have an enjoyable break too.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that appears to read 'M. Smith'.

Headteacher

The **PTA committee** are a small group of parents who meet once each month to plan activities and events in conjunction with the school, to raise much needed funds. Monies raised this year have been used for;

- Subsidy of trips to Wimpole, Denny Abbey and Houghton Mill
- Purchase of school sound system
- Shakespeare in Schools
- Subsidy of coach travel for the trip to Ely Cathedral

As you will read in this newsletter there are lots of events planned for the remainder of this term but we are always in need of **volunteer helpers**. We need to have extra people on the committee as well as volunteers who can support with running up coming events. If you are new to the school or have been around for some time we would love to welcome you to help. Please don't be shy! We are a friendly bunch of people who just need some extra muscle in order to run some great adult/child/family events. If you are able to help in any way, please speak to Jo Mear (Chair) or Fiona Cox (Vice Chair) or register your interest at the School Office.





Dates for your diaries

15th—19th February	HALF TERM HOLIDAY
24th February—2nd March	Travelling Book Fair
Wednesday 24th February	Willow Class Assembly—9.30am
29th February—4th March	Book Week
Monday 29th February	Book Week dress up day (change of date)
Wednesday 2nd March	Maple Class Assembly—9.30am
	Book Day Lunch
	Mother's Day Shop
Friday 4th March	Mother's Day Service @ Church—11.15am
	Mother's Day Lunch (1) 12.00pm
Saturday 5th March	PTA Quiz Night—Adult Teams of 6
Monday 7th March	Mother's Day Lunch (2) - 12.00pm
Wednesday 16th March	Holly Class Assembly—9.30am
Friday 18th March	PTA Cinema Night
	ADVANCE NOTICES
25th March—10th April	EASTER HOLIDAYS
Monday 11th April	Professional Day— School closed to pupils
Tuesday 12th April	Summer Term begins
Thursday 14th April	Parent's Resuscitation training 2.00pm
Friday 15th April	Class and Leavers photographs
Thursday 21st April	Cross Country running competition @ Priory Park
Monday 2nd May	Spring Bank Holiday



♪ Nobody's a
Nobody, Believe me
'cos its true!
Nobody's a
Nobody, especially
not you ♪

Book Week 29th February—4th March

Dressing up day – Monday 29th February (please note change of date)

Children should come into school dressed up as their favourite book character. Please can they bring the book their character is from with them. Please ensure that the children are wearing appropriate footwear, can still change for PE and use the toilet independently!

Further information about Book Week will follow after half term.





Star of the Week awards

During Celebration assembly on Fridays, children are set a challenge which will help to foster positive attitudes throughout our school. The following children have received Star of the Week Awards.

For " Kindness"

Holly	William Dawkes
Maple	Scott Topple
Willow	Emma Doggett
Silver Birch	Charlie Lake
Cedar	Luca Moretto



For " Community "

Holly	Ruby Lowten
Maple	Brianna Mafemba
Willow	Aurora Pitalis– Bliss
Silver Birch	Mia Lovesey
Cedar	Sarah Thomas

These awards are given by Mrs Smith to children who's work or behaviour has made their teacher/Headteacher say "Wow!"

The following awards have been given;

Lizzie Savory	Writing a book
Fraser Fox	RE Homework
Amy Davies	Handwriting

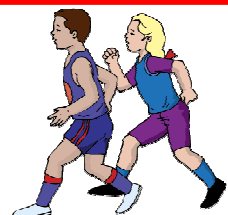


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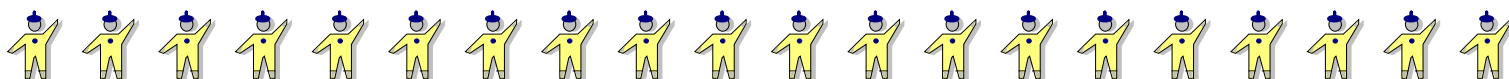
Muddy Fun Run results

Fastest Runner: Joshua Upton

Muddiest Fun Runner: Conrad Howat



PTA News and Events



Fun Run

Thank you to all those families that took part. Approximately £1700.00 was raised which will go towards the refurbishment of the school swimming pool and an outdoor table tennis table.

Annual Quiz Night

This year's quiz will be held on Saturday 5th March at 7.30pm in the school hall. Adult teams with up to six members are needed. The cost will be £5.00 per adult with all proceeds going towards the PTA funds. A bar will be available but you are invited to bring food along for you and your team to share.

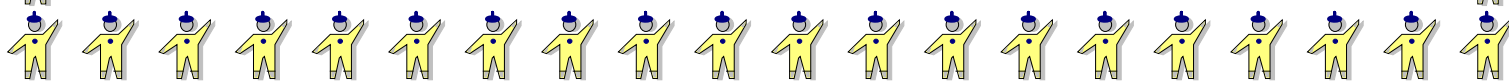


Mother's Day Shop

We are again hosting a Mother's Day shop on Wednesday 2nd March. Children are invited to bring £3.00 in a named envelope in a named carrier bag on the shopping day. They will be able to select from a wide variety of gifts, write a label for their ready wrapped gift and then bring their gift home in time for the special day.

Cinema Night

Our next Cinema Night will be held on Friday 18th March. A letter for ticket requests will follow soon.



Welcome Boxes

Thank you to all the families who sent in Welcome Boxes for Syrian Refugees. In total we were able to send 16 boxes. These have all been delivered to the central collecting point from where they will be distributed to newly arrived families and individuals.

