

30th September 2016

Findern Primary School Newsletter

Whitehall

All of Year 5 went to Whitehall last week and they all had a fabulous time. Please see attached photographs.

On Wednesday afternoon Oak Class arrived at Whitehall, we met our tutor and got straight into activities. We did a list of fun activities such as zip wire (big and small), leap of faith, rock scrambling, night hike, woods have eyes, canoeing and rope courses. Thank you to Mr and Mrs Preston for taking us to Whitehall and thanks to the Whitehall staff. By Emma Walker.

MacMillan Coffee Morning

On Friday 30th September school held a coffee morning to raise money for MacMillan. This event was a huge success and we were pleased to see so many parents enjoying a slice of cake and a coffee. A big thank you to Miss Ruston for supporting this event and the PTFA for organising the teas and coffees. The total money raised was £220.30 thank you for all those who sent in cakes to sell at this event.

Eco-Committee with Radio Derby

We had a very busy day on Wednesday. Mark Smith (Garden Guru) and Andy Potter (Radio Derby) visited us to help us plant our woodland garden. We planted bulbs, shrubs and a thornless raspberry. We really enjoy our new woodland garden because we really like looking at the flowers and insects like caterpillars, bees, butterflies and ladybirds. Our next project is to plant a vegetable patch so we can learn about where food comes from. By Joe Doolan and Maisie Futcher.

Ash Class Forest School

On Monday Ash Class took part in their first Forest School session. They spent the morning exploring the area and learning about the rules at Forest School. They then enjoyed climbing trees and we even went on a bear hunt! Although it was a wet day the children had a fantastic time and loved being given the opportunity to get muddy! These sessions will continue every Monday so please ensure your child comes to school ready.

Swimming

Larch class went swimming last week for the first time and all the children were excellent ambassadors for our school. There will be no swimming on Friday 7th October. Please can parents not parked in the coned areas the bus is due to drop children off at 2:45pm and will only need access for a short period of time. Last week the swimming bus was unable to turn round resulting in another school's children being collected late and then the coach missing an entire pick up due to the delay when dropping off at our school.

PTFA

The PTFA have arranged a series of events for the upcoming year, the first of which is the 'Spooky Disco' on Thursday 20th October 3:15 – 4:30pm more details to follow.

Snacks

Children are allowed to bring in fruit, vegetables, yoghurts or any items that are made with pure fruit only for morning break.

Week 1: Our Best Ever (O.B.E)

Ash – Thomas Powis
Elm – Scarlett Staley-West
Fir – Mia Johal
Hazel – Isabel Batty
Larch – Jaycee Wood
Oak – Leo Artus
Willow – Reese Holloway

Week 2: Our Best Ever (O.B.E)

Ash – Dylan Bejar-Arrabal
Elm – Lucy Dursley
Fir – Owen Drew
Hazel – Joshua Jenkins
Larch – Jerry Pinegar
Oak – Spencer Clarke
Willow – Frankie Rose

Diary Dates

4th October Burton Mail to take photograph of Ash Class
7th October KS2 Rosliston Visit
7th October - No swimming for Larch Class.
12th October – 2pm Harvest Festival at All Saints
14th October – 9:15am sponsored walk for all
17th October – Ash, Elm and Fir visit to Conkers
18th October – Individual Photographs for all pupils
20th October – PTFA Disco 3:15 – 4:30pm
21st October – Ash class hearing tests
24th-28th October -Half Term
2nd November (3:30-5:30) -
3rd November (5:30-7:30) -
Parent/carer consultation evenings
10th November – Hazel, Larch, Oak, Willow Inspire Day