

# Finedon Schools Weekly Update



November 11th 2016

## This Week's Attendance

Infant School		Junior School	
Red Class	92.42%	3/4 AG	97.67%
Yellow Class	96.62%	3/4 CW	95.81%
Blue Class	98.77%	3/4 LD	98%
Green Class	98.81%	5/6 SA	98.46%
Purple Class	98.02%	5/6 SB	96.92%
		5/6 KN	97.04%

Congratulations to Green Class and 5/6 SA who won the attendance cups this week.

## Congratulations to our Stars of the Week

### Juniors

This week's value stars are awarded to Hatti, Abagael, Ashton, Luke W, Anastacia and Layla-May and the homework stars to Alfie, Luke W, Dexter and Zach.

### Infants

This week's homework stars are awarded to Harrison, James W and Ava R and the handwriting stars to Alexandra, Caitlin, Daisy and Oriche.

Infant Stars of the Week		Junior Stars of the Week	
Red Class	Tommy McBride	3/4 AG	Phoebe Taylor
Yellow Class	Dexter Denton	3/4 CW	Ruby Marriott
Blue Class	Leo Tapp	3/4 LD	Milo Willers
Green Class	James Hales	5/6 SA	Natasha Joby
Purple Class	Freya Behan	5/6 SB	Georgia Lamy
		5/6 KN	Gracie Roberts

## Guitar Lessons



We have two places for Guitar Lessons at the Junior School. If your child is interested in learning to play the guitar, please speak to Mrs Needle as soon as possible. She will be able to give you further details, including the cost.

## P.E.

Now that the weather is getting much colder, it is important that your child has appropriate clothing for outdoor P.E. such as tracksuit trousers or jogging bottoms and a sweatshirt. (They may wear their school sweatshirt)

## Thank you

A big thank you to all the parents and carers of children in Years 3 and 4 for your support in sending in money for the 'fabulous finish jungle juice' activity.

From all the Year 3 and 4 staff

## National Anti-bullying Week

Next Week is National Anti-Bullying Week and the theme this year is **'Power for Good'**.

During the week we will be talking to the children about how they can use their **Power for Good** by understanding the ways in which they are powerful and encouraging individual and collective action to stop bullying and create the best world possible.



## World Diabetes Day and Children in Need

Monday is World Diabetes Day and as the Junior School has two children with type one diabetes, we are very keen to raise awareness of it. We are splitting money collected on Children in Need day on Friday equally between the Children in Need charity and JDRF (Improving lives, curing type 1 diabetes) charities. Remember to wear your onesie to school on Friday!



## Sending Money to School

A plea from the School Offices!

As you can imagine money is sent into the schools for a wide variety of purposes. Please ensure that it is put into an envelope, sealed and labelled with your child's name and what the money is for.

Thank you!

## Parent/Teacher/Child Learning Review Meetings

Thank you to everybody who attended their child's learning review meeting this week. This is a vital aspect of our partnership with you, sharing what your child does well and what they need to develop in order to progress their learning even further. Unfortunately there were at least 20 appointments made across the schools, where parents didn't turn up without, letting us know. We allocate fifteen minutes per appointment, so this equates to five hours of teacher time which we now need to find again as we really would like to ensure that we meet with you. Do please get in touch to make another appointment.

## Parent Survey

Your views about the Schools are important to us. Thank you to everybody who managed to complete a survey at our parent meetings this week. If you didn't manage to complete one, we would be grateful if you could take a few minutes to answer the questions in the attached links - the survey will remain open until Friday 18th November.

Parents/carers of infant children <https://www.seplus.org/school/survey/C78CC.html>

Parents/carers of junior children <https://www.seplus.org/school/survey/754A2.html>

Thank you—your feedback is important to us.

## Emails

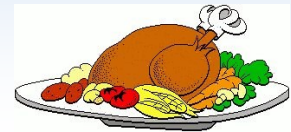
Please bear with us while we are in the early stages of emailing our communication to you. Apologies as we are aware that many parents didn't receive the newsletter last Friday. It can be found on our website at <http://www.finedon.northants.sch.uk/>

## Save the Date

We plan to hold a maths information session for the parents and carers of children in reception after school on Thursday 19th January.

## Christmas Meals

The booking is now open on the Kingswood website for the School Christmas meals. If you would like your child to receive a Christmas meal in what is always a lovely atmosphere in the dining halls, please ensure you book as early as possible. [www.kingswoodcatering.co.uk](http://www.kingswoodcatering.co.uk).



## Shakespeare Workshop

Year 5/6 pupils and staff are really excited about the Shakespeare workshops taking place on Monday. Please send your £3 contribution to school if you haven't already done so.

## Family Learning Afternoons

Don't forget to attend our family learning afternoons next week—Tuesday at the infants from 2:20 p.m. and Wednesday at the juniors from 2:30 p.m. For Y3/4 parents/Carers there is also a maths information session after school which we would like you to attend with your child. If you have a sibling to collect at the infant school, staff will keep the children until the family learning afternoon and maths session is finished but please let them know that you would like this to happen.

## FOFS

Thank you for talking to members of the Friends of Finedon Schools committee at the learning review meetings. You shared lots of ideas for possible events, which is really useful in helping us plan this year's fundraising. Please get in touch with either school if you would like to be involved in planning any events.

## Book Fair

The last night of the Book Fair at the Junior School is Monday after school. Thank you to everybody who has bought books. The commission will be used to buy further stock for the school.

## Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Infant family learning afternoon – a chance to learn alongside your child.
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Y3/4 maths learning session for parents and pupils.
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Junior family learning afternoon - a chance to learn alongside your child.
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	Wear your onesie to school for £1. Fund-raising for Children in Need and JDRF (Improving lives, curing type 1 diabetes) charities.
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> November 7:00 p.m.	School Choir performing at the Castle Theatre
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Mufti day – bring an item for the Christmas Fair.
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day – wear your Christmas Jumper to School for £1.
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December at 1:45 p.m.	Reception Christmas Performance.
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December at 6:00 p.m.	Key Stage One Christmas Performance.
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Junior School Christmas Dinner.
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December at 1:45 and 5:00 p.m.	Key Stage One Christmas Performances.
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Infant School Christmas Dinner.
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Church Service Key Stage 2.
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	FOFs Christmas Fair.