

2nd February 2018

Celebration Newsletter



Mind, Body and Soul

January is the month we have been focussing on the mind, body and soul.

On Thursday we started our whole school weekly 15 Minute Mile; Beech Class have continued their creative cooking sessions with Mrs Sloss. Last Friday the whole school learnt about the dedication and fitness required in marathon running from Mr Hook and Mrs Herring.

Today, the children have met Laura Samuel, a British track and field athlete who competes in the triple jump. She has a personal best of 14.09 m (46 ft 21/2 in) which ranks her third among British women. She was the silver medallist at the 2014 Commonwealth Games and also the 2010 World Junior Championships in Athletics. Laura conducted the Sponsored Fitness Circuit Challenge and gave an inspiring and motivational talk about her own experiences.

Laura is working hard to earn her place in the British squad that is going to the 2020 Olympics in Tokyo – watch this space!

Ofsted Inspection

The school had an Ofsted Inspection Tuesday and Wednesday this week. The one inspector inspected behaviour, academic achievement, progress, safety, teaching and learning. It was a very positive experience.

Mrs Lutas would like to thank: the parents for such positive feedback; the Governors for their leadership, commitment and challenge; the children for their excellent attitude to learning and the staff who have worked tirelessly to raise standards and really pulled together as a team.

The inspector was impressed with our approach to marking and giving feedback and the progress pupils have made in writing due to our systematic approach to writing and vocabulary (sentence stacking). Children's love for reading clearly came across and our daily book talk sessions have a massive impact on standards.

The inspection report will be published after the half term.

15 Minute Mile

Our 15 Minute Mile started this Thursday. Every **Tuesday** up until the Easter holidays each class will participate in the '15 Minute Mile'. Each class will run 13 times around the school field, (or as far as they can run in 15 minutes), to complete the 15 Minute Mile. Please can you ensure your child has their PE kit with them every Tuesday and suitable footwear to participate in this activity.

Clubs – week commencing 5th February 2018

	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Before School	The Great Grub Breakfast Club 7.45 – 8.45am	The Great Grub Breakfast Club 7.45 – 8.45am	The Great Grub Breakfast Club 7.45 – 8.45am Hot Shots Basketball Club 8 – 8.45am	The Great Grub Breakfast Club 7.45 – 8.45am	The Great Grub Breakfast Club 7.45 – 8.45am
After School	Smarty Arty Club Years 2-6 3.30 - 4.20pm Mrs Lutas-Brown.	Drama Club Years 2-6 3.30 - 4.20pm Mrs Lutas-Brown.		Multi Skills Sports Club 3.30-4.30pm Terry Goode.	Real PE Club Years 1 – 6 3.30-4.30pm Indy Shokar

Dates for the Diary

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Friday 9 th February	Smoothie Challenge
Friday 9 th February	Last day of term
Monday 19 th February	Return to school
Week commencing 19 th February	Winter Sports Week
Tuesday 6 th March	Reception children's screening with the School Nurses, 9am
Tuesday 6 th March	HND students to perform a show to whole school, 1.15pm
Wednesday 7 th March	Real PE Day
Monday 12 th March	Life Education Bus
Monday 12 th March	Gymnastic Competition for 4 selected Year 3 / 4 pupils at Daventry Phoenix Club, 1.00pm - 3.45pm
Monday 19 th March	Gymnastic Competition for 4 selected Year 5 / 6 pupils at Daventry Phoenix Club, 1.00pm - 3.45pm
Wednesday 21 st March	Willow Class visit Greatworth Farm, all day.
Wednesday 28 th March	Beech Class visit Greatworth Farm, all day.
Thursday 29 th March	Last day of term
Monday 16 th April	Teacher training day
Tuesday 17 th April	Children return to school