



# Irthlingborough Nursery and Infant School



Issue 5 November 2018

## Parent survey

We have new parent survey that we will be sending out to parents after the parent partnership meetings. There will be opportunities to fill in the survey at school. We are interested in your opinions and how we can improve our school. We have changed elements of practice as a response to parent feedback.

### Uniform

We are very proud of our school and this is reflected in the uniform our children wear. We would however like to remind parents to ensure all pieces of uniform are named. We have over 350 children in school and obviously sweatshirts come off and on during the day. We already have a growing collection of "lost property". We like to get clothes back to their rightful owners and this is difficult without names. If your child has lost any item of clothing, please ask in the school office to see the lost property.

### PE Kits

Please can you ensure that all Year One and Two children have an outdoor PE kit in school. They need black or dark coloured joggers, black or dark coloured sweatshirt and plimsolls or Velcro trainers. Please ensure all kit is named. They have weekly PE lessons outside.

Please ensure **earrings are removed** on PE days.

### Reading Challenge

Remember to return your child's **reading challenge sheet** and sponsor form. Please can all money be returned by Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November. We will be issuing certificates for all children who have taken part and prizes for the most sponsor money raised. We appreciate anyone who has completed our reading challenge, raised awareness of reading and helped us raise funds for school projects.

### Events

**9<sup>th</sup> November** – Zebra class visit the pensioners Day Centre with our harvest produce. Thank you for your donations.

**10<sup>th</sup> November** – Choir perform at St Peters Church 4pm

**11<sup>th</sup> November**- St Peters Church memorial service and laying of a poppy wreath.

**15<sup>th</sup> November** – Penguins (Miss Lees) class assembly 9am. All families welcome.

**16<sup>th</sup> November** – Mufti day with spots and stripes for Children in Need. We will send off any donations however small or large to this charity.

**23<sup>rd</sup> November**- Year Two maths workshops and whole school maths day

**24<sup>th</sup> November**- Craft Fayre at School 10am – 4pm. **Book up to see Father Christmas!**

**30<sup>th</sup> November**- Colour hamper day. More details to follow

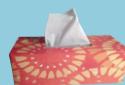
**6<sup>th</sup> December** – PTA school disco for Year One and Two.

### Learning Behaviour Raffle Ticket

We reward our children for demonstrating good learning behaviour which could be starting a task quickly, listening attentively or answering questions within a lesson. The children will be given a raffle ticket to bring home. Please celebrate this too as it will only be given for fantastic learning behaviour. Then on a Friday a ticket for each year group in the main school is picked out of the box. These children then get to choose from a range of small gifts on a Friday assembly.

We also give out golden moments which the class collects on a chart. When the chart is full the children choose with their teacher a class reward.

There are consequences for poor behaviour but the most important aspect is understanding what has happened and how an individual's behaviour has impacted on others. We use restorative justice systems, in which we discuss behaviour and how the child can repair the harm. We see good behaviour demonstrated on a daily basis and children respond well to the systems we have in place.



### Tissues

We are approaching winter and the coughs and colds we all get spread more easily. Please can each family send in a box of tissues. This will really help as we get through so many with lots of little runny noses!



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## Report feedback

It would be useful if parents can fill in the feedback section of our Autumn reports. This will allow teachers to offer any further support needed and also celebrate with your child the successes highlighted. We are also looking forward to reading your child's views! If you haven't signed up for a parent partnership meeting please see or phone to speak with your child's class teacher.

## World War One -100 years

All year groups will be working on stories, poems and learning about World War One. We feel this is an important event to mark for our children. We hope to display some of the work in our library area after our whole school project.

We will have whole school assemblies and we have chosen some very children friendly stories such as Flo of the Somme and Where the Poppies Grow Now, which will give the children an idea about World War 1.

We will be talking about animals in war as well as the soldiers and their families.

We have decided to do our main section of work after the 11<sup>th</sup> November so that families will be able to mark this important day in their own family and there may be opportunities to be involved in a parade or just see a ceremony on the television.

If you have any books, photos or if family members have stories about the first world war then please contact your child's class teacher, as we would love to share them.

## Great mates

We will be celebrating national Great Mates week along with learning about WW1 next week. Each class will choose their own "Great Mate" and children will discuss what a "great mate" looks like. We will be tackling difficult discussions to ensure children feel safe and secure at school and in the playground. We ensure children have opportunities to talk to adults and share any concerns.

The children on next Friday's special chair, in assembly, will be chosen by the class for demonstrating excellent friendship qualities.

## School Council

Please note our new values below, which we have been discussing and using as our themes for Friday celebration assemblies. These have come from the work of the school council. We will be looking at helping the children understand these words.

**P for Positivity**

**A for Aspirations**

**R for Respect**

**T for Teamwork**

Please can you ensure you let the office know of any phone, email or address changes.



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## Christmas concerts in December

11<sup>th</sup> 9.30am Year 2

12<sup>th</sup> 2pm Year 2

14<sup>th</sup> 9.30am Year 1

17<sup>th</sup> 2pm Year 1

18<sup>th</sup> 2pm Reception

19<sup>th</sup> 9.30am Reception

We welcome two adults per child at our concerts due to limited space. We ask parents not to bring babies and toddlers if possible as it can be distracting for the children performing.

## Class assemblies – all start at 9.05am in the hall

15<sup>th</sup> November – Miss Lees’ Class – Penguins

23<sup>rd</sup> January – Mrs Chapman and Mrs Askew- Elephants

31<sup>st</sup> January – Mrs Hall and Mrs Wright – Flamingos

14<sup>th</sup> February – Mrs Mason’s Class – Lemurs

21<sup>st</sup> March- Miss Garrett’s Class- Sloths

16<sup>th</sup> May- Mrs Hurley’s Class – Monkeys

22<sup>nd</sup> May -Mrs Grocock and Mrs Matthews- Tigers

13<sup>th</sup> June – Mrs Bailey- Dolphins

**18<sup>th</sup> July -Year Two leavers assembly**



Wellington & District Lions Club  
and  
Irthlingborough Nursery & Infant School

## CHRISTMAS CRAFT & SHOPPING FAYRE

SATURDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2018

Raising Funds for the Irthlingborough Nursery & Infant School Outdoor Library

10:00 to 16:00

Irthlingborough Nursery & Infant School Scarborough Street, Irthlingborough,  
Northants NN9 3TT

**Loads of Stalls including**

Cards, Preserves, Knitted Gifts, Glass Etching, Bric-a-  
Brac, Wood Turning, Jewellery, Lions Club Tombola  
and Giftware, Health and Wellbeing and Many  
more.

Santa’s Grotto and Children’s Corner.

Tea and Coffee. Mince Pies. Sausage Rolls.

**FREE ENTRANCE**

## First aid

The children have bumps and scrapes during playtimes and lunchtimes and we have trained first aiders in school. We will phone parents just to let you know if there is a bump or large graze or if there is a reason to take the child to get a bump checked out. If your child has had a head bump you will get a red letter in the bag and we have just purchased red, festival type bands for the children to wear rather than the stickers which seem to come off.

Please ensure you keep phone numbers up to date in case we have to contact you in an emergency.

## Jewellery

Please can parents remember that jewellery is not to be worn by children in school. Small studs, which can be removed for PE can be worn but other than this our policy is no jewellery.



# Erasmus+

Mrs Hurley and Mrs Luke will be flying to Italy on Sunday, for a week, to work with some schools in Italy and join a European course learning all about the best ways to develop creativity and independence in young children. This is a fantastic opportunity funded through a European grant.

Look out on Twitter for information about their visit next week!

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