



Friday 22nd September 2023

SJSG FRIDAY FLYER

A message from Mrs. English: School Operations Manager

I am delighted to be writing to you today to say thank you for all your hard work and commitment in getting your child or children into school on time and every day. School attendance is so important. When children are in school, they are learning both academically and socially, and able to make progress. This year we have a whole school attendance target of 96%. Currently our whole school attendance for the first three weeks of term is 94% and this week we have achieved 96.6%! We can always improve on attendance, however for the start of the academic year, this is a positive percentage. A little reminder that classroom doors open at 8:30am and close at 8:55am to start the school day. Please enable your child to be at school from 8:30am, as there are learning opportunities taking place from this time. We are celebrating attendance in lots of ways in school, I hope your child or children are telling you all about them! Thank you again for all your help and support and I look forward to working with you as the year moves on

PE days for this academic year

Your children can continue to come to school wearing their PE kits on the following days:

Monday- Willow, Oak and Silver Birch Classes (Years 3 and 4)

Tuesday- Badger, Fox and Hare Classes (Years 1 and 2)

Thursday- Kingfisher and Heron Classes (Year 5)

Friday- Goldfinch and Woodpecker Classes (Year 6)

FS2 children will have PE on Wednesdays, but do not need a PE kit at this moment in time.

Details of the school PE kit can be found on our school website.

What's happening around school this week?

This week in Acorns we have been learning the story of Little Rabbit Foo Foo by Michael Rosen and exploring the number 2.

This week the children in Conker Class have been retelling and acting out the Owl Babies Story.

In KS1 we have been looking at the Great Fire of London, focusing on how it started and spread so quickly.

In Lower Key Stage 2 we have been finding out about Egypt and why it would be a great place to go on holiday as well as retelling the story of Joseph in RE.

In year 5 this week we have been writing our own Greek myths including vivid description of characters and settings.

Year 6 have been writing poems using extended metaphors; practicing multiplication and division strategies; learning about Carl Linnaeus and classification; and studying the Beatitudes from Matthew's gospel.

Exciting Opportunity...

Free tennis open day, simply turn up at the address below to enjoy a fun afternoon!



Eco Stewards

We are working with children from all twelve OLICAT Schools to develop ways of reducing energy usage. Today two children from Year 5 joined a Teams online meeting with the other schools, to discuss ways of being more eco-friendly.

As the year progresses, we will be sharing ideas with you, about how to support your children and the school with our Eco projects.

Schools Sports Partnership

This year we have signed up for a full year of competitive sport within Bedford Borough. This opportunity is open to all children from Year 1 up to Year 6. You will be contacted separately to be informed when your child will be taking part. Some sessions are this term, while others are in the Spring and Summer terms. It is an excellent opportunity for our children to enjoy sport outside of their usual PE lessons.