



## WISE UP

19 January 2024

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**REMINDER – we are a NUT FREE school**

### Heads Up

School is closed Monday 29 January for Training Day

What's Happening lists are attached to this newsletter

### Thought of the Week

*'The journey of a thousand steps must begin with a single step.'*  
Lao Tzu, Ancient Chinese philosopher



THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

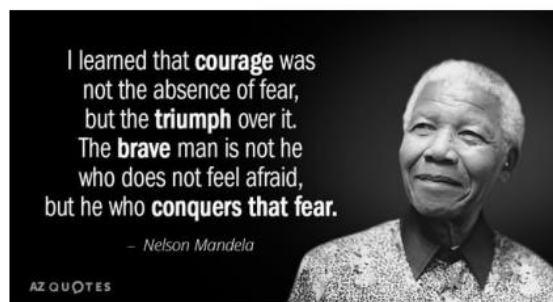
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**Please be vigilant re healthy snacks and the contents of packed lunches.**

Welcome back to school and happy new year to you all. We hope that everyone had a wonderful Christmas. We are very much looking forward to an exciting Spring Term in school.

Our Christians value for this half term is 'courage'.

Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go. Joshua 1:9



### What's Happening

Our 'What's Happening' termly list of dates is attached to this newsletter for your information.

### Spring term topic launch event: Let's explore the world

We have launched our Spring term topic entitled 'Let's explore the world' with a fabulous dance workshop. Every child took part and the dance expert teacher was dazzled by their moves, effort and enthusiasm. The children thoroughly enjoyed the event. They were taught styles of dance from different parts of the world and afterwards had the opportunity to create their own versions in the chosen style and perform it to their friends.

The dances styles created included: Flamenco, Street dance, Bollywood style and traditional Greek. It was super to watch the children show their 'dance moves' and listen to traditional Spanish, Indian and Greek music.



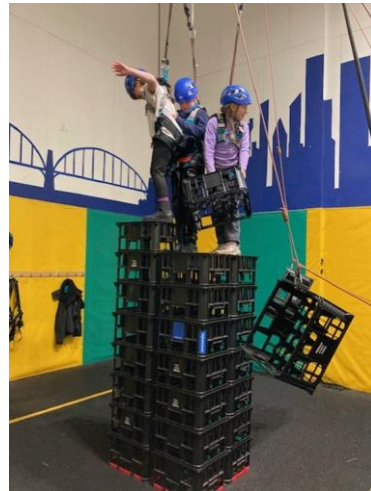


### **RobinWood – Y6 'Outdoor Adventure' Residential**

The year 6 children had a fantastic 'outdoors adventure' residential at Robinwood. The staff at Robinwood said there were extremely well behaved, kind and resilient. We were so proud of their individual achievements, determination and the teamwork that they showed.

Many activities were enjoyed including rock climbing, canoeing, zip wire dancing, caving, the crashing crate challenge, archery, the knights' quest, the night line, escaping the piranha pool and the 'giant' swing.





### FOHS Movie Nights

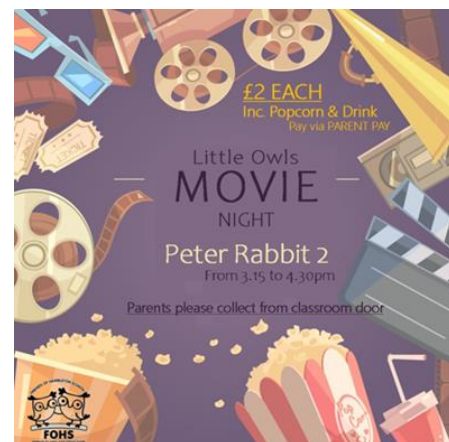
Our FOHS Movie Nights take place next week and the children are very excited.

Monday 3.15 – 4.30: Little Owls and there will be popcorn and juice available while they watch their film. Please collect your children from the classroom door.

Monday 3.15 – 4.45: Elf and Barn Owls

Tuesday 3.15 – 5.00: Tawny Owls, Hawk Owls, Snowy Owls and Eagle Owls  
There will be a Tuck Shop available for the children of KS1 and KS2 so please remember to send a small amount of cash with your child(ren) on Monday in a named purse or named coin bag. Popcorn and juice will be given to all the children as part of their entry fee. Please collect your children from their classroom door.

All movie night places should have been paid for using ParentPay.



### Packed Lunches

Further to some packed lunch queries, we clarify that any uneaten food/packaging in packed lunches is sent home and not thrown away at school so that parents know how much their child is eating/what foods they are eating etc

Please can parents provide spoons in pack up boxes for children to be able to eat their yoghurts, fruit pots etc

### **Eagle Owls Cake Sale**

Our fabulous Cake Stall is returning from the end of this month and it will be Eagle Owls hosting our first sale on Friday 26 January. Please bring some cash to buy your buns, cakes, and biscuits at pick up time.

### **Young Voices**

Our 'VV' choir are practising hard in preparation for Young Voices in Sheffield. The concert takes place on Wednesday 21 February and parent pre-ordered tickets will be handed out week commencing 5 February. We will let parents of choir members know when to come and collect them from the office nearer the time.

### **Fundraising for Epilepsy**

To raise money for Epilepsy Action, Miss Whurr is walking 50 miles in February. If you would like to show your support for this cause, you can donate at: <https://www.epilepsy.org.uk/donate>

### **Housekeeping**

As the weather is turning very cold, please make sure that all children are sent into school with a coat for playtimes and a jumper or fleece to keep them warm indoors.

Please also remember a water bottle filled only with water too.

### **Safe Parking**

Please park safely at all times when picking up/dropping off your children at school. We have recently received a lot of complaints about bad and dangerous parking.

### **Parents Questionnaire Responses**

It was raised with us at a recent governors meeting that we had not yet shared the results of our last Parents Questionnaire (see attached). Our apologies for the delay! Whilst the results are from last year, they still represent the excellent support and involvement we get from our fantastic community.

We were very pleased to see such high approval ratings for children feeling safe at school, their happiness and their learning. We have kept the Newsletter in this form as a result of the many messages in favour in this questionnaire!

There are always areas for us to work on and we will extend our pupil groups, clubs and additional activities over this year. We continue to work hard at being approachable and accessible for you to raise any concerns with us and we'll continue to work hard at communication to reduce some of the 'don't know' responses. Thank you for your responses.

### **Online Safety**

Please see the attached document for advice on managing screen time in your household. We recommend that any internet use is done in a 'communal area' (e.g. a kitchen or lounge rather than in children's bedrooms) and that there are regular 'blame-free' conversations with your child about their internet use.

### **Monday 29 January**

We remind all parents/carers that school is closed on Monday 29 January for a Training Day. We reopen on Tuesday 30 January.

### **Friends Hot Chocolate**

Thank you for all the support you have given the FOHS Hot Chocolate Stall.

## Wise Owls

Here are our winners for the last two weeks

<b>Friday 12 January</b>	<b>Friday 19 January</b>
Little Owls: Oscar & Chloe	Little Owls: Leo & Willow
Elf Owls: Seren & Alex	Elf Owls: Elsie & Flynn
Barn Owls: Mia	Barn Owls: Romaine
Tawny Owls: Tom & Evie	Tawny Owls: Pheobe & Toby
Hawk Owls: Leah	Hawk Owls: Ella
Snowy Owls: Amelia	Snowy Owls: Matthew A
Eagle Owls: Stephen, Alfie & Lucas	Eagle Owls: Jenson & Claudia



## Our Christian Vision

We are:

Creative

Resilient

Truthful

Compassionate

Respectful

Teamwork