

5th July 2024

Weekly Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers,

What an awesome week it has been in school. It has been wonderful to welcome so many parents and family members to join the children with activities during Sports Week, we hope that you all enjoyed taking part in the activities and weren't too worn out! The breadth of sporting and mindful events that have been enjoyed by children and parents has been exceptional and we thank Mrs Gates, our PE leader, for planning and organising such a fantastic week for all to enjoy. Unfortunately the weather stopped play on a couple of occasions, please see below in the Diary dates for rescheduled events.

This week has also seen our year 3 children performing at Shuttleworth in the Summer Concert. I was extremely proud of our children who were terrific in every way. Their behaviour was exemplary and the performance was wonderful, it was a real privilege to be there. All the songs were inspiring and joyful but Rebecca Lawrence's "I've got the power in me" was a particular favourite with very special lyrics.

*"I've got the power in me, you've got the power in you.
I've got the power, p p power, got the power in me.
Nobody's gonna hold me back, nobody's gonna silence my words,
Nobody's gonna close my mind, I've got the power in me!
When someone's needing help and the world just walks on by,
I know I can do something about it.
I'll stand up for their rights, my voice will find the words
and I will feel empowered from within."*



Huge thanks to Mrs Ashwell and the Year 3 teaching team who prepared the children so well for this event.

We hope that the sunshine returns next week and we can enjoy the final sporting events.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'S. Boyle'.

Mrs S Boyle
Headteacher

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Reception Classes – Acorn and Chestnut

Reception have had lot of fun this week enjoying all the Sports Week activities. We started the week with our Sports Day afternoon. The children all tried really hard on all the different field activities and we saw some very fast runners in the races. We were really pleased with how all the children behaved throughout the afternoon; they truly showed their Silsoe Values which was great to see. The children have also enjoyed a stretch session with Mrs Parkes, wellbeing activities in the classroom, dance and a very energetic fitness class with Lucy on Thursday. Sadly, due to the weather we had to postpone our PE with me, but we are hopeful this will go ahead next week and hope to see those of you who can attend there. Thank you for all your support in bringing the children to school in their kit and joining in with the sessions you were invited to when you could.

The children have continued with their phonics this week, and have enjoyed art activities and using the balance bikes in the afternoons.

Year 1 – Hawthorn and Willow

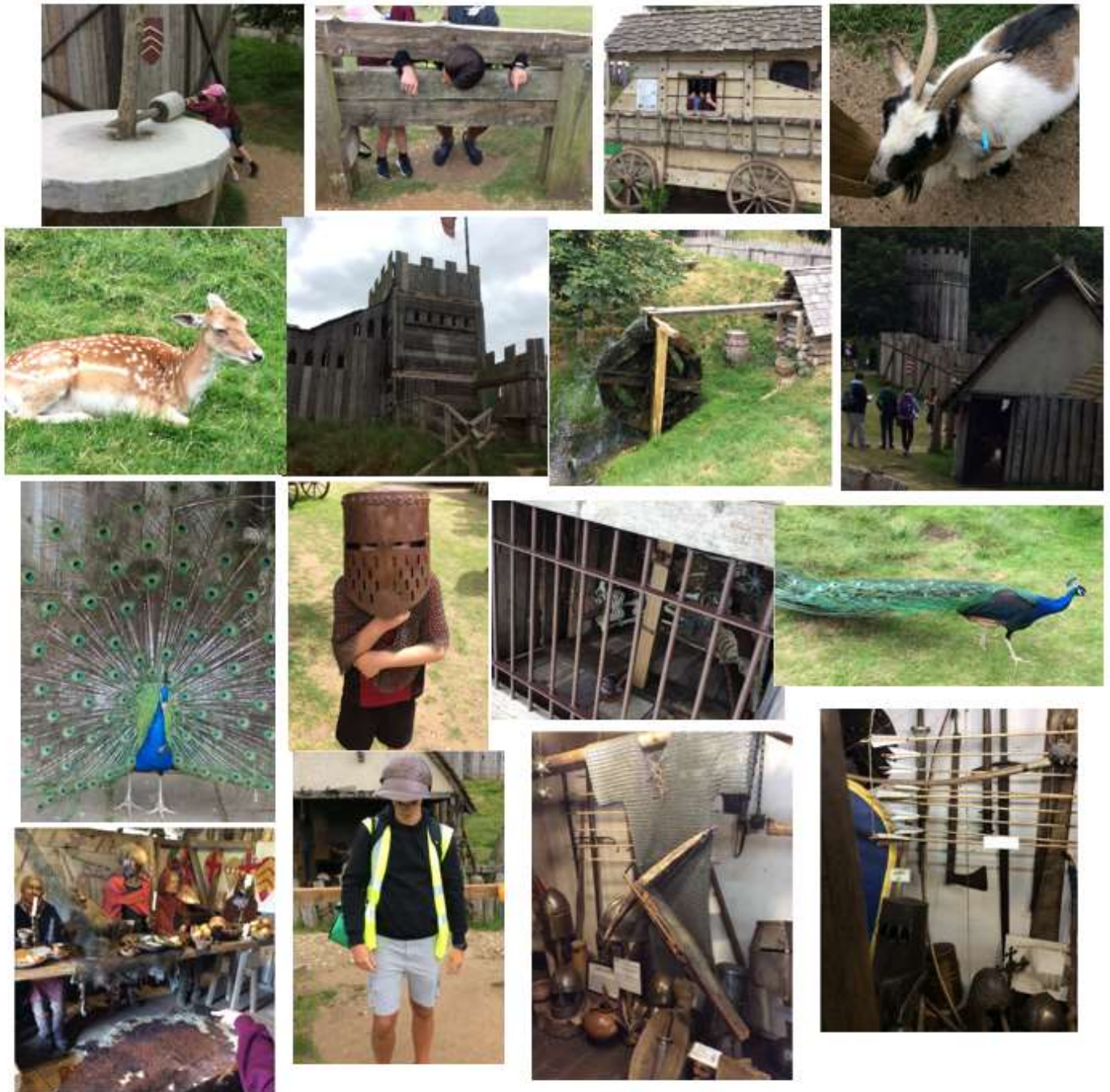
In English, we have had great fun writing recounts of our trip to Mountfitchet Castle. We all talked about our favourite parts of the trip.

In Maths, we have continued to learn about money and how we can make different amounts using different coins.

In History this week we have looked at who would live in castles in the past and the jobs they would do.

We have had such fun this week taking part in Sport's Week! It was so lovely to see so many parents joining in too.

In Design and Technology, we have been designing a healthy picnic, and thinking about where food comes from. We are planning on making some biscuits and fruit skewers next week!



Year 2 – Maple and Sycamore

We have had the best, jam-packed week filled with sporting and mindfulness activities. We enjoyed using the balance bikes, stretching our bodies, testing our fitness and dancing.

It was lovely to have so many grown-ups coming and getting involved with cheering us on at sports day and having a go at rounder's in PE with me.

Year 3 – Palm and Pine

Year 3 had an amazing afternoon and evening at the Inspiring Music Summer Performance at Shuttleworth, this Thursday. A whole summer term of practising songs came down to this one

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day! They rehearsed all afternoon, fine tuning the songs and perfecting the accompanying actions alongside 5 other schools. When it came time to perform to the parents the children rose to the occasion, singing with passion and enthusiasm and big wide smiles! It was so wonderful to see so many parents come down to support their children.

We could not be prouder of Year 3's singing and overall behaviour throughout the day. They represented our school brilliantly and we hope they are as proud of themselves as we are. Well done Year 3!



Year 4 – Elm and Oak

We have had a really fun week in Year Four! On Monday, we played rounders with some of our parents during our PE with ME session – it was awesome to see them joining in! On Tuesday, we enjoyed learning to play cricket with our resident cricket expert – Mr Wilkinson – and we are looking forward to having another go next week. On Wednesday, we attended our Stretch with Mrs Parkes session and amazed ourselves with just how flexible we can be. We are really looking forward to Friday which will be our last sports day at Silsoe Lower School! We are also really proud of a group of our Year 4 friends who have been running the Sports Day events for the other year groups – they have been AMAZING!

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As part of our history learning this week we also attended 'The Silsoe School Archive'. We went into the music room space and got to explore lots of artefacts related to the history of the village and our school. We were gobsmacked to be able to see real school registers that are over 150 years old! We noticed that the school has grown hugely over the last 50 - 100 years but that some things have remained the same such as our uniform colours.

Please note Year 4 leaver's hoodies should only be worn on the last week of term, they are not part of our school uniform.

Conifer class

The children in Conifer Class have really enjoyed sports week and have joined in with lots of the activities. The children have also enjoyed inventing and playing their own games and keeping score! We have worked on our writing this week with a focus on accurate punctuation. Most of the children have continued to access lessons with their mainstream class.

Attendance for this week

Acorn	100%	Chestnut	98%
Hawthorn	96.4%	Willow	98.6%
Maple	91.3%	Sycamore	92.6%
Palm	93.5%	Pine	97.5%
Elm	90.9%	Oak	96.3%
Conifer	85.9%		

Please find the link to the NHS website regarding 'Is my child well enough to be in school'
<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

If your child has a temperature for more than 2 days please take them to the doctor to get them checked for an infection.

Being late for school can affect your child's attendance, anyone arriving after 8.55 and entering through the front doors will be marked as late and anyone arriving after 9.15 will be marked as an unauthorised absence which will affect their attendance (unless there is an acceptable explanation).

Star and Leaves awards

Due to Sports week and not having Worship this week we will not be celebrating star and leaves however the children have still been collecting their Dojo points this week.

General Information

Silsoe Stride

Alyth and Chloe in Year 1 took part in the Silsoe Stride last weekend. Chloe won her race and was delighted to receive a trophy. Alyth was delighted to take part in the race she said it did not matter that she was not first or last, she took part.

We are really proud of you Alyth and Chloe well done.



School Meals

Please note that from September 2024 school meals for year 3 and year 4 will be increasing to £2.70 per meal.

Chili Children Dance-a-thon



REMINDER:

On Friday 12th July the children will be dancing to raise money for Chilli children.

We are aiming to raise £500 for this charity.

Children will need to come to school in their PE kits.

We are asking for the children to be sponsored and all money collected should be paid through SCOPAY. For every £5 collected you will have a raffle ticket entered into the prize draw.

The raffle draw will take place on Monday 15th July and winners will be contacted by the office.

The Prizes

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4 x Children's growing sets



2 x £15 Poplars' gift cards

Chilli Children is the charity that is linked to our partner school Kitazigurukwa Primary School which is in Rukungiri Uganda. This fun and active event takes place in our hall, with classes scheduled to participate at set times throughout the day. We will be joined by a professional dance coach Karen Byrne from 'The Dance Studio' to help with us all with our moves! Children will also be learning about the geography and culture of Uganda when they are not dancing.

Changes to attendance by Central Bedfordshire Council from 19th August 2024

As we are all looking forward to the summer holidays and some people may be looking to book holidays for next year, we wanted to bring to your attention some changes that come into effect from 19th August 2024 regarding term time holidays.

Please click on this link for further details [Central Bedfordshire missing school](#)

Clarinet Lessons

If your child is interested in learning the clarinet there will be a group lesson space available for a year 3/4 child for September, please enrol through Inspiring music

- <https://www.inspiringmusic.co.uk/lessons-schools/enrol>

Miss Alsop

Summer Screen Time

With the summer holidays fast approaching, we can't guarantee the sun, but we can predict high levels of screen time for our children and young people.

But what is the best way to approach this? Please follow this link for some top tips and resources to manage screen time:

<https://inege.com/2024/06/20/summertime-screen-time-2024/>

Ordering Uniform from Prestige

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Prestige has asked us to remind parents that they would like all orders placed online for uniform. They only hold limited stock in the shop and that they are currently offering free delivery to school if your order is placed before the summer holidays. Please find the link below to their shop.

[Prestige](#)

Diary Dates

Please find below dates for the rest of this school year. Please note dates which have changed or added have been highlighted.

08/07/2024	2.45-3.30pm	PE with Me for Year 3
10/07/2024	9.15-10am	PE with Me Reception classes
10/07/2024	2.30pm	Sports Day Events Year 3
11/07/2024	2.30pm	Sports Day Events Year 4
12/07/2024	All day	Dance-A-Thon for Chilli Children – Everyone in PE kit
18/07/2024	TBC	Y4 Visit to Silsoe Parks
19/07/2024	9.30am	Y4 Leavers Assembly

OUR CURRENT VALUE IS:

Trust

Mark 11:24

*Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have
Received it, and it will be yours*

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OPEN AUDITIONS

*An Amateur (Youth Group) production by arrangement with
The Really Useful Group Ltd*



Based on the Paramount movie written by Mike White

Music by	Book by	Lyrics by
Andrew Lloyd Webber	Julian Fellowes	Glenn Slater

**PERFORMANCES @ LEIGHTON BUZZARD THEATRE
8TH - 9TH NOV 2024**

FRIDAY 12th JULY 2024

St Leonard's Church Hall, Leighton Buzzard, LU7 0AA

Juniors (7-12 yrs) 4.30PM arrival - 6.20PM

Seniors (13-18 yrs) 6.30PM arrival - 8.20PM

Auditions free of charge and nothing to prepare



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FRIDAY 9TH AUGUST 2024
1:00PM - 3:00PM
£15.00

BARTON LE CLAY VILLAGE HALL
ALL ABILITIES WELCOME
AGES 5 - 14 YEARS

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Parent Insight Session

Lumi Nova

Dates and times of session

Thursday 11th July 4 -5pm

Virtual workshop via Microsoft Teams
Once you have registered a place then
the Microsoft Teams link will be sent
to you 24 hours prior to the workshop
starting.

Information about session

Lumi Nova: Tales of Courage is an engaging child-led,
parent/guardian supported therapeutic intervention that can
be used on most smartphones or tablets.

It facilitates graded exposures (the active ingredient of
Cognitive Behavioural Therapy) with psychoeducation to
empower 7-12 year olds with mild to moderate needs to
learn to self-manage fears, worries and anxiety.



Free to attend

Register for your place via the link below:

<https://forms.office.com/e/hB4B3622NE>

Please contact us by email if you have any further queries:

earlyhelp@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk



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NATIONAL GARDEN SCHEME
Garden Open For Charity



The Round Cottage

36 Ampthill Road, Silsoe, Bedford,
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Sunday 7 July
1 - 5pm

Adults £6 Children free



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