



Seven Fields Primary School-Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers

What a cold and frosty week it has been. I feel like the novelty of the fresh mornings wears off when we have to defrost the cars each morning but being able to be outdoors in the winter sunshine is often uplifting.

This week we have been hit hard by the COVID-19 pandemic with a number of pupils and staff affected by the virus and/or positive lateral flow tests. I hope you agree that we have done extremely well to keep all year groups and classes running and that has been down to the determination of our staff team. Very few activities have been affected. Teachers have been working from home where they can and feel well enough and the children have responded positively to this hybrid approach, which is set to continue for the rest of this term. I am so grateful to the staff who have stepped up and taught the children in the absence of a teacher and enabled the transitions from one lesson to another.

COVID-19 transmission rates are high locally but there is light at the end of the tunnel. On Wednesday the Government changed the rules again mid-week with the children in secondary schools no longer requiring masks. Staff in our school will continue to wear masks in communal areas for the time being. Thank you for continuing to inform us if your child is ill either with or without COVID. Please be patient with staff if we constantly chase you for an attendance update. We have an obligation to share our data with Public Health Swindon and the Trust. Should the rates in your child's class be deemed higher than normal, we will issue a 'warn and inform' letter but we only do this in agreement with Public Health. In the meantime we will try to support you if you yourselves contract COVID-19 for as long as we possibly can. (I am getting used to driving our minibus around our local community to pick up and drop off children.)

This week's assembly was a reminder about the importance of remaining resilient and determined. It was the story of a penguin who wanted to fly. Of course we all know that penguins are better at swimming and can't fly but, in the story we see how with determination, the penguin fulfils his dream. We want to encourage all of our children to have the same level of determination towards their work and we want to encourage them to 'fly'. As their guides we will do this but it is important that children receive the same guidance from home. The next time your child gives up, please remind them of the Magnificent 7 value of 'Never says I can't' and remind them of the story of the penguin who wanted to fly.

Finally I want to welcome to our school 3 pupils who have joined us from overseas Daniel in Kestrels, Sonia in Kingfishers and Sophia in Puffins. We are happy that you have chosen the Seven Fields family. We have a lot of visitors coming to see the school at the moment and it appears that Seven Fields is becoming the school of choice within the local community. Thank you then if you have spoken positively about the work we are doing here.

I hope that you have a lovely weekend.

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This week's certificate nominations are as follows:

Butterflies AM and PM	Leighton for a fantastic drawing of a snowman	Oakley for sharing and helping his friends
	Evelyn for being a Seven Fields superstar	Jaxon for being a Seven Fields superstar
Bumblebees	Caidyn for always working hard to complete all activities in the classroom	Jessica for working hard on her letter formation
Robins	Bailey for super writing and working hard	Bear for trying his best with his writing
Sparrows	Cory for always settling to learn and participating in the learning	Noah for settling to learn and amazing participation in lessons
Wrens	Benjamin for excellent improvement in his behaviour	Ryley for excellent listening to adults
Puffins	Logan for a fantastic improvement in his handwriting	Sophia for working hard in her first week at Seven Fields
Kingfishers	Ellie for always settling to learn and listening to adult	Layla for always settling to learn and listening to adults
Hummingbirds	Emily for listening carefully and improving her standard of work	Isiah for listening to adults carefully and achieving an excellent standard
Falcons	Ava for showing resilience in her maths this week	Catherine for always listening to adults
Eagles	Oscar for working har at home and coming back into school well	James for showing some excellent knowledge in our history lessons
Kestrels	Daniel for having a great first week and settling in quickly	Dylan for excellent questioning in science
Special mentions:	Kayden and Luca for working hard with no fuss from home this week	Sonia for settling in well at Seven Fields



Attendance

Bumblebee Class	96.54
Robin Class	89.45
Sparrow Class	99.55
Wren Class	95.38
Puffin Class	89.00
Kingfisher Class	92.14
Hummingbird Class	90.37
Falcon Class	85.08
Kestrel Class	84.21
Eagle Class	78.00

And the attendance cup goes to:

Sparrows



Dojos gained this week

Class	Total Dojos	Class Winner
Miss Mitchell	821	Caidyn 70
Miss Goss	936	Korey 93
Miss Bickle	1483	Freddie 99
Mrs Wright & Miss Neville	880	Landan 65
Miss Smith & Miss Roberts	806	Eira 41
Miss Jessop	916	Adam 62
Mrs Branscombe	685	Maaz 46
Miss Martin	584	Emily 41
Miss Grimwood	625	Daniel 61
Mr Donnelly	545	Laylah 47

This week's winners of the Dojo cup are:

Sparrows



Congratulations and well done

Certificates
Congratulations to anyone who has been nominated by your teacher this week

Well done to you all on your achievements !



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House points totals this week and overall totals so far:

Snowdon 49

Slieve Donard 28

Ben Nevis 81

Scafell Pike 60



This weeks behaviour cup winner is:

Benjamin for being a Seven Fields superstar

Well Done!



They are back! Hot chocolate Fridays have returned and we would like to say a huge well done to the following children for receiving the most dojos in their class this week:

Laylah, Daniel, Maaz, Eira, Caidyn, Freddie, Korey and Landan



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Sneezy the Snowman in Butterfly class



IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

PE DAYS

MONDAY PM

Kingfishers

Wrens

TUESDAY PM

Puffins

WEDNESDAY PM

Falcons

THURSDAY PM

Bumblebees

Robins

FRIDAY AM

Eagles

Kestrels

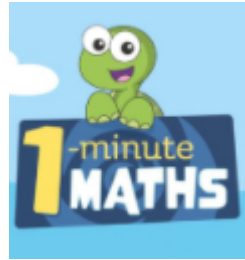
FRIDAY PM

Sparrows

Hummingbirds

Please take a look at this free app available for children in KS2 and Year 3. This is a good for practicing basic addition and subtraction in 1 minute chunks.

For further information please [click here](#).



Please remember to call the office to inform us of anyone different collecting your child from school, we may ask you for a special password.

After school clubs

Monday: Year 2 STFC football (full)

Tuesday: Year 5/6 Football (spaces)

Wednesday: Year 3/4 Multi skills (full)

Thursday: Year 1 Dance (2 spaces left)

Friday: Year 5/6 Dodgeball (5 spaces left)

