



A warm welcome back to everyone and a Happy New Year. I hope you have all had a lovely Christmas break. The start of the new year is always a time to reflect on the past and the way we plan to move forward. For the children within the Federation, it will be another busy term with so many new and exciting things to learn.

We welcome some new faces to our schools both children and staff and hope they enjoy their new start at the Stukeley Federation. As always if you have any comments or concerns please come and talk to the staff.

Mrs C Underwood

Acting Executive Headteacher

This Terms Class Topics

Squirrels – Space

Otters- Megacities

Muntjacs - Ancient Egypt (focussing on Howard Carter's discovery of the pyramid of Tutankhamun)



EYFS and Key Stage One Christmas Production

This year Squirrels class learnt songs and lots of lines in their Christmas Production called "The Big Little Nativity". They performed to Key Stage 2 children during their dress rehearsal and three performances to family and friends. All children had parts to learn and did so with energy. Well done to all of them and all the staff who made it happen.

Fundraising

We would like to thank everyone who bought raffle tickets, gave donations at Christmas performance, attended the mini-Christmas Fete, and bought slap bands. In all we were able to raise a fantastic total of £322.39 ! This will go towards the cost of the Pantomime which visited school.

Jack and the Beanstalk

On Tuesday 12th December, the school hall was transformed by the "Panto in a day" company and some enthusiastic and talented actors entertained the whole school. Audience participation was a must and there was a lot of singing, shouting and laughing had by everyone!



Rotary Club of Deeping.

The school was approached by members of the Rotary Club of Deeping, with a generous offer of 40 Pantomime tickets plus transport to The Cresset Pantomime in Peterborough on Saturday 16th December. In the end we had 44 requests and the Rotary club bought extra seats to accommodate everyone. The children who went were accompanied by a family member and the feedback from the trip was incredible. Not only

were the tickets and transport free, but all children who went were given snacks for the journey, an ice-cream during the interval and a gift on their way home. We wrote letters of thanks and drew pictures for the Rotary club which were presented the following week.

After School Clubs

We are very pleased to confirm that Sports2day will be providing Gymnastics sessions on a Tuesday at after school club this term. The trail lesson proved very popular with children of all ages and abilities. Cooking club has already started, the school has been filled with tasty aromas and there are some delicious recipes planned. All After School Club sessions need to be booked via the Parentmail App, two days in advance of activities.



Mad Hatter's Tea Party

This terms After school Club fundraiser will be a Mad Hatter's Tea Party on Thursday 8th February 2024. Children are invited to bring clothes to dress as a character from Alice in Wonderland. There will be lots of games and activities on the theme. Booking is essential as there are

limited spaces – again please book via Parentmail.

Bad weather

In the event of school closure due to bad weather, you will be contacted initially by email through the Parentmail app, it is essential that you check your emails and that you advise school if you change your email address. BBC Radio Lincolnshire (94.9FM/104.7FM/Digital) will also announce closures.

New to you school uniform

We have a box of items donated from parents' past and present in the school office if you would like to have a look. If you have any donations, please could you ensure they are washed, have names removed and in good condition i.e no stains.

September 2024 Primary School Intake

We have been sent guidance from the Primary admissions team. If you have a child due to start primary school in September 2024, you need to apply now. The initial closing date for reception 2024 applications is 15th January but late applications and changes up will be accepted until 9th February.

The Parent Portal will be open until end of January for parents to make an online application. After that it would be best to make a telephone application on 01522 782030.

Dates for this term.

10 th January	Sports2day Enrichment KS2 volleyball
15 th January	Closing date for Primary school applications September 2024
7 th February	Sports2day Volleyball competition KS2
8 th February	Mad Hatters Tea Party - After School Club
9 th February	Last day of Term 3