



IN TOUCH NEWSLETTER

28th May 2021

And so we finally reach half term! The children have really risen to their first 'complete' half term back in school, bouncing back eager to learn. The staff in school have been busy 'plugging small gaps' these last few weeks, and also getting the school back to its using bright and colourful self, by putting up new posters and displays. We have all been dodging the recent rain. We have also enjoyed starting up our children's groups, like school council, eco committee, junior road safety officers and anti-bullying ambassadors. Many thanks to those children who are helping to make our school even better.

NESSY

Many thanks to all families who are supporting us with our Nessy investment. Using Nessy five times a week at home can mean your child makes fantastic progress with their spelling. Please continue to remind children about Nessy.

TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS

Children in Congo Class have recently started a trial of Rockstars and are really enjoying it. We are hoping to roll this great maths initiative out to the whole school in September.

HAVE WE WALKED TO TOKYO?

Thank you to both our Fressingfield families and our road safety officers who supported our Keep Moving/Walk to School Week last week. We have been logging our walking during May. Please don't forget to add your kms on your child/ren's Google Classroom pages. Now the sun is shining again, you have a few more May days to get walking!

DROP OFF AND PICK UP

Thank you for your support with our end-of-the-day procedure. It is getting faster and smoother. Please continue to keep your masks on, and remember your distancing. Staff will endeavour to be brief if they need to speak with families, so please continue to contact the office if you have any issues.

FEELGOOD FRIDAY!

If your child comes home dancing at the end of the week, then it's probably due to Feelgood Friday. Many thanks to our Anti-Bullying Ambassadors in Key Stage 2 who are organising these events. Mrs Tooley is currently mentoring them and, this term, their focus has been on improving our mental health by doing something lighthearted and fun on a Friday. And, if you hear any corny jokes from your child/ren, that may also be due to Feelgood Friday. 😊

WATER DAY

Children on our Eco Committee have had WATER as a focus this half term, and have been asking all the classes to think about water; our own usage and the issue of water in developing countries.

On **Friday 11th June**, we will be holding a Water Day, with games and activities with a water-related theme. We are asking children to dress in blue or white, and bring in a donation towards twinning a toilet in a developing country. We need to raise £60 for one toilet, or £240 for a block. Keep an eye out for more details soon.



<https://www.toilettwinning.org/twin-today/>

SCOOTER DAY

This will be on 23rd June, to promote healthy lifestyles. Each class will receive a coaching session from a Team Rubicon coach. The school is also purchasing a some scooters and safety equipment for use by the children in school.



YIKES, BIKES!

June is Bike Month, and next week is Bike Week. Now's the time to get those bikes, trikes and scooters out of the shed and ready to ride!

RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOLS

Many thanks to Years 4/5 school council members, who have been looking more closely at the Convention on the Rights of the Child. We would like to put up signs throughout the school, which show where these rights might be relevant. They have been busy making these decisions for us. For instance, they decided that number 14, The Freedom of Thought and Religion should go on the hall door (as we will have assemblies there) and in the Reflection Shed, which we use for quiet thought).

WELLIES & SUMMER WEATHER

We are now using the field again. Please would all children have wellies in school; the grass is often dewy at first break. Please would all children also bring a rain jacket into school. On sunny days, please make sure you apply sun cream to children before coming into school. For safeguarding reasons, we cannot do this. Make sure you child has a hat (wide-brimmed or legionnaires are best) with their name on, plus a drinks bottle filled with water, to stay hydrated. If you feel your child needs additional sun cream during the day, please write a note and make sure the container is clearly labelled with your child's name. Please then speak with your child's

Bags4Schools

FOFSA have arranged a collection for any old clothes on 29th June. Your child will have come home with a bag for any donations. Thank you

KEEP SAFE AND ENJOY HALF TERM!

We hope to see all families back on Monday 7th June 2021.

Our Value this term is : **Perseverance**