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Dear Parents

Sports Day

Sports Day is scheduled for Friday 20th June starting at 1.30pm on the school field. The weather forecast is fair so it should go ahead, unless it gets too wet and therefore it gets too dangerous. There will be refreshments available.

Universal Free School Meals

From September this year all pupils in Fox Cubs, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a free school meal. This is a new initiative from central government and is funded by the government so it does not have an impact on the school budget. It is for all pupils, not just those whose parents are on a low wage or on benefits. Please complete and return the slip below to give us an idea of how many children will be taking up the offer of a free school meal.

School Dinners – Price Increase

We have received notification from Leicestershire County Council that there is to be an increase in the cost of school dinners. From Thursday 28th August the cost of a meal will be £2.10 (£10.50 per week). The increase will pay for an increase in portion size for children in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6. Please complete and return the slip below so we can have an idea of how many meals Jenny will have to cook.

Pupil Premium

The school receives Pupil Premium money for children of families on a low income. This extra funding (£1300 per child) for the school is to support pupils in their lessons. The current criteria for claiming free school meals are as follows:

- Income Support (IS)
- Employment and Support Allowance (Income Based)
- Child Tax Credit, provided the annual taxable income, as assessed by the Inland Revenue is not in excess of £16,190

So that the school receives the extra funding please collect a form for completion from the School Office or download the form from the following website:

http://www.leics.gov.uk/index/education/going_to_school/school_catering/free_school_lunches.htm

Music Lessons

The music lessons for Years 4 and 5 have come to an end and their instruments need to be returned to Leicestershire County Council. If you would like your child to carry on learning to play the violin/cello/double bass then private tuition lessons are available in school time. Please contact Mrs Raymakers and we will pass your details onto the appropriate teacher.

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School Meals

Name(s):

My child will be having school meals every day.

My child will be having school meals occasionally.

My child will be bringing a packed lunch.

Signed:

Date:

Year 6 SATs

During the week of the 12th May our Year 6 children took their SATs. We were all very proud of them; they were focused, well prepared and extremely well behaved throughout the week. Well done to the Year 6 children and staff. They are now going to be working hard on the end of year production.

Mrs Leveritt

Children in Years 1 and 2 have enjoyed Mrs Leveritt teaching them for the past few weeks. We wish her well as she completes her teaching practice and starts her new job at Clipston Primary School.

Mrs Richardson

Mrs Richardson has joined Fox Cubs Class for her first PGCE placement which continues until Christmas. It is a part-time course so Mrs Richardson will be with us on Mondays and Thursdays.

Sunny Weather

It would be advisable to apply sun-screen before your child comes to school. However, if you send your child to school with sun-cream it must be named and your child must be able to apply the cream him/herself.

Academy Status

You may be aware that, some time ago, the Governing Body decided that the school should become an academy within a collaborative partnership with four other local schools. However, the Department of Education has recently informed us that a collaborative partnership is not a conversion model that is now available. The DfE suggest that setting up a Multi Academy Trust would be the best way for us to become an academy. At the moment, this way of conversion would not be in the best interests of the school but we will continue to monitor the situation. Therefore, we will continue as a Local Authority maintained school.

Open Afternoon

I hope you were able to come into school during our Open Afternoon and enjoyed your children sharing their work with you. I also hope you noticed some of the new displays of children's work. Thank you to Mrs Sillifant who has revamped our entrance hall and library area in the school.

Sports

We have been involved in a range of sporting competitions over the last month. A team of children from Year 5 and 6 participated in a cricket tournament at Fleckney Primary School. Adam Flood, Freddie Parsons, Rosie Robinson and Lily Taylor represented the school at a Year 3 and 4 tennis competition at Leicester Grammar School. For an hour for the past six Tuesdays Year 5 and 6 have received some badminton coaching. This culminated in a doubles tournament at Kibworth High School with children from Fleckney and Lubenham Primary Schools, who had also received the coaching. 10 children from Foxton took part with 8 children reaching the quarter finals stage. Joe Lumley and Joseph Parsons got through to the final and won a very tense match, congratulations boys. Thanks to Mrs Thompson and Mrs Thurlby who supported the event.

Halfords

A representative from Halfords in Market Harborough came into school to teach children in Year 5 & 6 some basic bike maintenance. The activities included how to find and fix a puncture, put a chain back on, adjust a saddle/handle bars and cycling hazards to avoid.

The Langton Garden Centre

A huge thank you to Tom at The Langton Garden Centre for supplying our Gardening Club with a good number of plants, bushes and trees. Gardening Club have been busy planting them around the school.

Sainsbury's Vouchers

A big thank you to everyone who has shopped at Sainsbury's and brought into school the Active Kids vouchers. We have chosen the following items using the 7834 vouchers: basketballs, a unihoc set, mini tennis set and some sponge balls.

Market Harborough Carnival

It was great to see Foxton's float in the carnival parade through Harborough Town centre on Saturday. It was reported that Foxton's float was the happiest and the children were very polite and obedient in the parade, great news. Thank you to Mrs Hanger and to all the helpers who worked so hard to put the float together and also thanks to Stephen Sanderson Transport and their drivers. Congratulations to the 'It's a Knockout' team who came second in the competition winning £100 for the school. Thanks to Fran Lawrence who helped with the organisation of the children and got a soaking in the adults' race!