

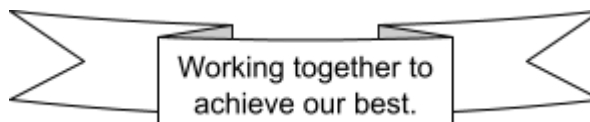


Newsletter

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Dear parents/carers,

What an amazing 'Children In Need' Day at The Firs!

The children had a fun day on Children In Need day, wearing their spots and Pudsey ears, and we are delighted to announce that together we have raised the incredible sum of **£1160.34**.



Thank you so much to everyone for your generous donations, through our online donation page, pennies on the gate, purchasing ears and bears and the adoption draw for our giant Pudsey.



A special well done goes to giant Pudsey's 'New Forever Family', chosen to adopt our favourite bear!

The School Council Meeting 2 and Leading Our Remembrance

Our School Council have done a great job last week, representing the school so well at the Remembrance event in Amptill and as we mentioned last week, selling poppies after school.



Last week the School Council held its 2nd meeting, where Councillors from across the school fed back on the discussions they had had in class following our 1st meeting last month. The children had lots of great

ideas and gave some very useful feedback on aspects like playtime and school dinners. We will be putting our minutes on the website shortly, so you will be able to catch up with all the great ideas our councillors have!

Y4 Grafham Form Meeting

Thank you to all the parents / carers who came along last week to complete the medical form for Grafham. It was a useful opportunity to ask any questions both about the form and the trip itself. Thank you also to Mrs Baker and the Y4 staff who gave up their time to be there.

The Book Fair Returns To The Firs!

We will have the Book Fair in school this week and next week. The Fair will be in the school hall from **3:45 - 4:30:**

- Thursday 24th November
- Friday 25th November
- Tuesday 29th November

On Thursday 24th, the children will have an opportunity to look round the books themselves. Before popping in, we would be grateful if you pick up your children and then come round and into school. This will allow staff who are on the rota that day to get to the hall to run the tables, ready to sell you books!

We always get commission on the sales that we can use to buy books for school so thank you in advance for your support with this event.

Milton Keynes Theatre, Snow White Panto

Along with this Newsletter, you will find a leaflet from Milton Keynes Theatre, detailing their Snow White Panto this Christmas. There is still time to book!



School meals price increase

We have been notified by Caterlink who provide our school meals that from January 2023 the price of a school meal will increase to £2.53. This will affect parents of children in Y3 and 4 only as children in YR, 1 and 2 remain 'Universal Free'.

The price of school meals are subject to an annual review and due to rising inflation and increases in food costs, the decision has been made to increase the meal price. We appreciate that there are a lot of financial pressures impacting all of us at present however this price increase has been caused by factors beyond our control.

PTFA Christmas Activity Day

We hope you all have a lovely time at the PTFA Activity Day this Saturday from 3pm - 5pm in our school hall. Thank you for all your support.

Parking outside of school

A parent has reported that cars have been parked outside the school on the double yellow lines by The Crescent. This makes it very dangerous for parents and children who are crossing the road. Please do not leave your car in this area. Please support us with this and keep everyone safe - thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Adam J G Campbell