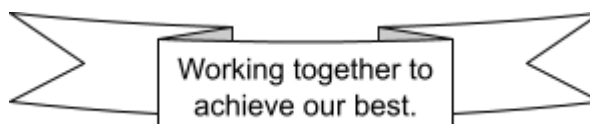




Newsletter

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Dear parents/carers,

Fundraising Cake Sale in support of Ampthill Rotary



Just a Reminder, this Friday 16th June we are asking for donations of cakes in support of Ampthill Rotary to fundraise to eradicate Polio. The cakes will be on sale at the end of the school day on the KS2 playground, as you exit the premises. Please bring in any cake donations into the reception area of the school in the morning, thank you for your support.

As part of the cake sale, we are also looking for a new home for our little bear. Anyone buying a cake will have the opportunity to 'guess the name of the bear'. Whoever guesses right gets to offer a 'Forever Home' to this very snuggly little bear.



Firs Summer Swimming Update



In a first for The Firs, we have embarked on an exciting 4 weeks of swimming, with our temporary swimming pool, situated on our KS2 playground.

In the picture you can see Josh, our fantastic swimming coach, who is doing such an amazing job for us in the pool. He has said what a pleasure our children are to teach and how much he is enjoying his time working with our pupils, so a big well done to everyone!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the brilliant team of staff and volunteer parents who are doing such an amazing job collecting children and getting them changed and ready for their lessons and changed and back to class afterwards. The wonderful swimming experience the children are getting would not have been possible without them!

Finally, a huge thank you to Katherine Jukes, our business manager for organising everything and working so hard in the background and to Martin Lees, our Premises Manager for all his support with setting up for the swimming.



KS2 Quad Kids Athletics Festival

Well done to our team of Year 3 and Year 4 children who attended the Quad Kids Athletics Festival, organised by the Redborne School Sports Partnership.

They all took part in various events; 50m sprint, 400m run, long jump and a throwing event.

The children showed a fantastic attitude to all events, with Redborne Sports Partnership being particularly impressed with the children's enthusiasm and stamina towards the 400m run.

Well done Team Firs, another fantastic effort!



Year R Trip to Shepreth

Our Pine Class children thoroughly enjoyed their trip to Shepreth Wildlife Park. After an exciting coach trip, they were thrilled to see a huge variety of animals including red pandas, otters, tigers and aardvark's. A few brave children even walked through the fruit bat cave!



The children loved playing in the I-sand box, flattening and scooping sand to reveal hidden objects.



We ended our trip with a yummy ice pop. What a fabulous day!

Thank you to Pine staff for ensuring this day ran smoothly, and also a big thank you to our many parent helpers who accompanied us on this adventure, your support is genuinely appreciated.

And a well done must go to our Reception Class children, for their excellent behaviour and enthusiasm across all the activities they participated in, this made our trip a very enjoyable experience for all involved.

PTFA Lolly Sale

We have had to change the date of the PTFA lolly sale as the date originally advertised was next Friday but we are having the cake sale after school. We will let you know very soon when the PTFA lolly sale will take place.

Caterlink Meals

From Tuesday 13th June, Caterlink will be offering baguettes with ham, cheese or tuna fillings. This is always a good option when the weather is getting hotter. Hot meals will still be available but from Tuesday 13th June until the end of this term, baked potatoes will not be on the menu during this time.

ParentPay has been changed to incorporate the baguette option.

In September the menu will be hot meals only including baked potatoes.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Adam J G Campbell", on a light blue background.

Adam J G Campbell