

15<sup>th</sup> November 2019

## Farmvention

During the week beginning 25<sup>th</sup> November, every class will be taking part in an enrichment week called Farmvention.



Farmvention (when farming meets invention) is a national STEM competition run by NFU Education and is aimed at primary school children.

There are three exciting problem based challenges that can be entered by individual children or in teams. Designed to make children think about the day to day issues faced by farmers and growers in England and Wales, each challenge is supported by curriculum linked resources created in partnership with the Association for Science Education (ASE).

Over the course of the week, classes are teaming up in pairs to attempt one of the challenges and all other curriculum work will be linked to the theme. You will find information at <https://www.farmvention.com/>

If you think you can contribute some local knowledge to what the children are doing, please go and speak to your child's classteacher. It will be great to get as much community involvement as possible.

On Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November, there will be an open afternoon which parents are invited to. This will be an opportunity to see what all the children have been doing. The venue and exact timings for this will be confirmed shortly.

## Children in Need

It has been great to see the children around school today dressed up for Children in Need. As a school, we have raised a whopping £314!! Thank you for all the donations.

A special thank you must also go to Joanne Hayman for the amazing cake she made and donated. The cake was won by Ivy in Nightingale Class.

Last but not least, thank you to the school council for their ideas and organisation of the event.

## Clubs

This week a letter will have gone out with your child about the clubs we are running this half term.

- Football club is open to children in Years 4, 5, and 6 and is on a Wednesday from 3:30-4:30. Football club only costs £1 per week – you can sign up on ParentPay. Children should meet in the hall after school and can be picked up from the main entrance outside the hall.
- Multi-Sports club is running on a Thursday from 3:30-4:30 and is open to all children from Reception to Year 3. At this club, children will be playing all sorts of fun sports like dodgeball, handball and kabbadi! Again, the cost is only £1 per week and you can sign up on ParentPay. Children should meet in the hall after school and can be picked up from the main entrance outside the hall.



Check the letter for the other clubs and send in a reply slip if you are interested in Dance club.

## Lunch Orders

Thank you to everyone who gets their lunch orders onto Parent Pay in advance each week. It helps us run things more efficiently and ensures children get the correct lunches.

## Christmas Fair

The Christmas Fair will be on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December straight after school until 5pm. Every class will be organising a stall and our fantastic FOBS team will be setting up activities for everyone to enjoy and get into the festive spirit. Please keep a look out for more information about what will be happening and when you can bring in donations.

## End of Term Disco

The disco will be on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December. Details of how to get a ticket will follow in future newsletters but put the date in your diaries!

- Reception and KSI: 5-6pm
- KS2: 6:15-7:15pm

## School Office

You may have noticed that Michelle has not been around this week in the school office. We are hoping she will be back soon. Please be patient with us during this time. We are trying to cover things as efficiently as possible and make sure nothing gets missed.

## Parent Voice

Thank you to those of you that have signed up for the Parent Voice group. I would like to meet twice every half term. Each meeting will be at a different time to be convenient for different parents – you don't need to come to both unless you really want to! Over the course of the year, I will try and work out the best days and times to get as many involved who wish to as possible.

- Meeting 1: Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November @ 2:30pm
- Meeting 2: Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December @ 9am

Come to the school office on the day. I look forward to having a chat over a biscuit and a hot drink.

## New Children for September 2020

If you know someone who has a child that is due to start school in Reception in September 2020, please tell them to come for a tour of the school. These will be on:

- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November @ 2pm
- Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November @ 1:15pm
- Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December @ 9:15pm

**HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND!**

**EDDIE BROWN**