

Choir Competition

Well done to our amazing choir, for coming second to an upper Key Stage Two group of children. The children have been working so hard. They are now looking forward to performing at Huxlow Science College on 18th June at 6pm, with our other Trust schools in Finedon and at IJS. Come and join Mrs Mason, Miss Bisgrove and all our choir members at Huxlow for an evening performance! Tickets available after half term.



Dates for the Summer Term

- 4th June** – Back at school
- 5th June**- Class photos
- 6th June**- Online Safety for parents 2pm & 6pm
- 8th June**- Homework in
- 18th June 6pm**- Choir at Huxlow music event
- 19th June** – Sports morning for year two and sports afternoon for year one.
- 19th June** – Book People Bus Event
- 20th June** Sports morning for reception.
- 23rd June**- Strictly team dance at the Derngate
- 25th June**- Arts week begins
- 25th June** – Keep a child warm coat collection
- 29th June**- Arts week parade and Summer Fair
- 16th July**- Open evening- meet the teachers

Trips

Teachers across the school are planning trips for the summer term to enhance and develop the learning in school. All our trips have an educational purpose and are planned to help bring the learning in school to life.

Reception are going to West Lodge Farm to support the learning about animals.

<http://www.westlodgefarm.co.uk/>

Year One who are studying our coastlines are going to Hunstanton, to experience the seaside with their class mates.

<http://www.hunstanton-info.com/>

Year Two are off to the Sealife Centre in Birmingham to enhance their Storms and Shipwrecks work.

<https://www.visitsealife.com/birmingham/>

Trips out of school are carefully planned and risk assessments made to ensure our children have a happy and safe experience and build their independence, knowledge and skills away from the classroom.

We do have to ask for a contribution to the trip and if we do not get enough funds we may not be able to run the trip.

Phonics Screening

The Year One children and those Year Two children who did not make the government pass mark last year, will be having the phonic screening check in June. We have had information sessions for parents regarding the screening but if you were unable to attend please ask your child's class teacher for more information. The children work one to one with their class teacher to read 40 phonically regular words. 20 which are real words and 20 "alien" or made up words. The children have daily phonics sessions and are used to decoding words using phonics. Teachers have asked if you have time to read with your child all the words in the word investigation books and this will help reinforce the sounds they have been learning at school.

The screening is done with the children in a calm, quiet environment usually with their class teacher.

If any parent has any questions regarding the phonics screening checks please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher. Teachers have sent out additional phonics home work to practise with if they have time in the holidays. This work does not have to be returned to school. [Phonics games](#)

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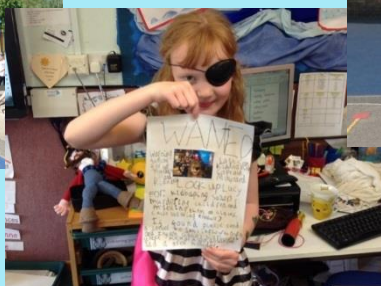
Year Two SATs

We have had a busy term with the Year Two children, completing SATs tests and working on some exciting projects around Storms and Shipwrecks. We are proud of all our children's achievements. The SATs tests are used at Year two to help inform the teacher's judgements of the children's academic achievements. These judgements will support the children as they move to year three and into Key Stage Two. The tests do have to be given in test conditions but we have tried to keep this as low key as possible so some children may not even be aware that they have been tested!

The children have worked incredibly hard and we are very pleased with their effort and engagement during this time. The curriculum carries on during this period and the teachers are still teaching new things and consolidating learning.

Well done Year Two, we are proud of you every day!

Year Two had a fantastic pirate day to bring together lots of the learning and skills they have been developing this term. It was lots of fun too! I hope you saw the Twitter video of the Teachers and Children "Flossing"!



Arts Week

We are looking forward to our Arts Week, which starts on 25th June. We have taken the theme of Africa this year and will be looking at art, music, dance and culture of this area. We have dance and drumming workshops for the children, parents and staff and have our favourite Northamptonshire artist Clare Carney coming to work with us again this year. Staff are busy putting the final plans together for this exciting week. If you can offer any drawing or artistic skills and think you could help during this week, please see your child's class teacher. We believe that learning should be fun, so come and join us for a great fun week. We will parade our work in the afternoon of Friday 29th June.

Strictly dancers

Our strictly dancers are getting well into their training for the competition in June at the Derngate Theatre. It's an amazing experience for the children to dance on such a wonderful stage. The dances are tricky to learn but Mrs Hall and Mrs Bailey are supporting well (They too are attending dance lessons in order to teach the children!) We had a professional dancer in school this week for an extra dance session with the children. KEEEEEPP DANCING!



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Walk to School Week

Thank you to all those parents/Carers who were able to take the time to walk to school or do a partial walk to school. The children have been talking about their walk and the Star of the week from each main school class will be for children who work hard in PE and exercise sessions. Staff have been talking with the children about lots of ways to keep fit and healthy. Please follow the link to the Walk to School web page, which has ideas and information about this important subject. Certificates will be given out in class for those children who walked to school.

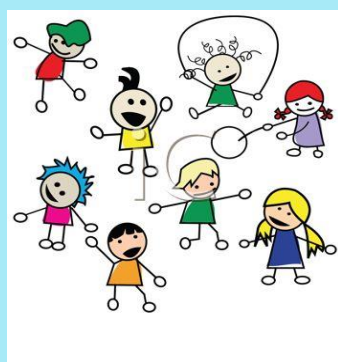


Walk to school week | Living Streets

Lunchtime play

We need board games, dressing up clothes, cars, dolls, dolls clothes and construction toys for our lunch time break for the children to play with. If you have a sort out of children's toys please think of school as we may be able to use things to support play at lunchtime.

We want our children to have fun and engaging playtimes.





Keep A Child warm

 Please can you help? 

We are collecting warm winter clothing and blankets for orphans and vulnerable children in Eastern Europe. In winter, these children face temperatures as low as -20°C and these clothes will make a significant improvement in their quality of life.

The items they we are collecting are for children over the age of 3 and up to teenage/small adult. All items should be good quality.

We're looking for:

- Winter coats
- Warm hats, scarves & thick gloves
- Thick jumpers/fleeces
- Socks
- Large blankets





All suitable donations will be distributed to the children and not sold.

Donations can be dropped off at:

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25th June 2018

