



NEWSLETTER, OCTOBER, 2017 - 2

Dear Parents,

This newsletter is starting off with PTFA news as we have some very exciting information to share

PTFA NEWS

NEW MINIBUS

We are delighted to announce that you have raised sufficient funds to replace our dear 'old minibus'. Thank you as you have all contributed to this amazing feat by attending events and donating what you can. Thank you to our vibrant and hardworking PTFA for all their efforts. It has not been easy but a second minibus will continue to permit whole classes to attend events. Hiring a bus generally costs around £350 for a morning. To put this into perspective, for a class of 28, this would be an extra £12.50 per pupil. We are extremely fortunate to have this luxury.



OLD MINIBUS

We will be selling the old minibus on Gumtree. If you know anyone who may be interested in it please contact the School Office.

Thank you to everyone who helped in running the **KS1 Movie Night** and **KS2 Sleepover**. The children had a wonderful time at both events and more funds were raised for the PTFA.

PJs Day: Friday, 20th October – wear your PJs/onesies to school for a donation of chocolate for the Christmas Fayre.

Orders for **Tote Bags** should be placed as soon as possible.

Competition & Newsletter: the latest Competition & PTFA newsletter is being sent home today.

Pumpkins: We are very grateful to Steve Pole who has donated 30 pumpkins to the School; these will be on sale after school tomorrow.



PTFA AGM: Wednesday, 15th November, 7.00 p.m. – all welcome. Nomination forms are being distributed today.

NEWT FESTIVAL



I am also delighted to announce that we received £4000 from this year's Newt Festival.

Thank you to everyone who worked at this year's event

which enabled our school to receive a large percentage of the profits made.

Please make a note in your diary of next year's Festival: Friday, 6th-Saturday, 7th July, 2018.

HEDGEHOGS CLASS

Straight after half-term, on Monday 30th and Tuesday 31st October, Mrs Crow and Mrs Adams will be updated their essential Paediatric First Aid training. During these two days, Mrs Pickford will be covering Hedgehogs class. Mrs Pickford teaches French to KS2 and knows our school extremely well. The children will continue to do Forest School on the Tuesday afternoon with Mrs Elkington.

Mrs Clark, Mrs Marsh and Mrs Larcombe will continue to support the class as usual.

WINDOWS AND PARTITION UPDATE

Over half term, the final 4 large arched windows will be replaced as well as the partition between Foxes and Squirrels.

PARENTS' CONSULTATION EVENINGS

After half term, we will put the booking forms for our next meetings, which will be held on Tuesday, 7th November (3.30 – 6.30) for all classes, and Wednesday 8th November (3.30 – 6.30) for Foxes, Squirrels and Badgers only. Please make a note in your diary, and sign up when we return.

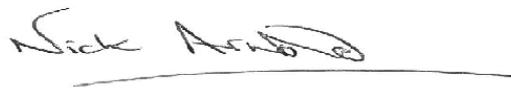
HARVEST FESTIVAL/MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

What a wonderful Harvest Celebration we all enjoyed last week. Thank you to all those who gave so generously to the Foodbank and to the Macmillan Coffee Morning. I am delighted to let you know that we raised **£128.38**.

HALF-TERM

We do hope you enjoy a happy half term next week: Monday, 23rd October – Friday, 27th October, 2017.

Yours sincerely,



Nick Arnold
Headteacher