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No. 6

Dear Parents and Carers

The lunchtimes trial this week has gone well. Key Stage 2 have had their meals at 12.00 and Key Stage 1/Reception at 12.30. Next week we will revert to the other way round and continue to alternate until we have decided on a best fit. I will be consulting the School Council next week to find out their views.

Thank you for supporting the Book Fair this week. A fantastic £211.95 was raised in commission to spend on books for the school library or classrooms.

We have been a very busy school over the past week. During their visit to West Stow Owls, Doves and Bramblings travelled back in time to experience the life of an Anglo Saxon. They all enjoyed visiting the different replica houses and trying on the 'fashionable' clothing (even though it was a little bit scratchy!). Whilst in the museum, they were fascinated about the wild boar skin and thrived on the opportunity to try on the helmet. They all learnt a lot on their fantastic adventure.

Year 6 visited Ely Cathedral last Friday - see the photos on Twitter! The cathedral is twinned with one in India and so they enjoyed Indian musical instruments, dance, songs and drama. We are always so proud of how our school children behave on visits. Outstanding!

Today I have been invited to a party by Reception for Terry Pterodactyl's birthday. I am looking forward to it! Yesterday Sunflowers and Bluebells had their 'Big Dig'. They discovered so many interesting artefacts and were able to show parents their artwork and stories and how to be palaeontologists.

Lots of exciting learning throughout the school!

Dinner money debts

Mrs Rigby has been having to do a lot of chasing up of dinner money debt over the last few weeks. Please do keep checking your child's Parentpay account to make sure it is topped up correctly. We cannot do reminders as soon as the balance goes negative because the system is not set up that way. We rely on parents to monitor their own accounts until the debt becomes large enough to be flagged on our system.

DX Club AGM - Wednesday 8 November

The DX Club will be holding their annual general meeting on Wednesday 8 November at 7.00 pm.

After-school clubs on Monday

Please note that because we have a Parent-Teacher meeting next Monday 16th, there will be no Stage Dance or Orchestra clubs on that evening.

The Thursday evening clubs will run as normal.

Applications to secondary school – deadline 31st October

Please don't forget that the deadline for secondary school applications is Tuesday 31st October. If you miss that date, there is a chance you will not get your first choice of secondary school for your Year 6 child.

Reception 'First Days at School' photo

We have been advised by the *Cambridge Independent* newspaper that the photo of our Reception children will appear in the Wednesday 18th October edition.

Bikeability for Year 6, Monday 16 to Thursday 19 October

A reminder that the Year 6 children who are doing Bikeability next week (not the whole class – see below) will need their bikes in school so they can take part in these really useful sessions preparing them for safe cycling. The children should have their bikes in school each day, together with their cycle helmet. If the bikes are going to be left at school they will need to be locked securely in the bike shed.

A second group of children will be doing their Bikeability on 30th and 31st October. The children are bringing home slips today to say which group they are in.

Yours sincerely

Debbie Gould
Headteacher

Lunches for week beginning 16 October 2017

	Red Option	Green Option (usually Vegetarian)	Blue Option (Light bite)
Monday	Pork grill	Quorn grill	Jacket potato with beans
Tuesday	Beef bolognaise	Cauliflower & broccoli bake	Tuna & cucumber roll
Wednesday	BBQ chicken	Bean & vegetable bake	Ham salad baguette
Thursday	Roast turkey	Quorn fillet	Cheese salad wrap
Friday	Fish fingers & chips	Pasta Neopolitan	Jacket potato with cheese & coleslaw

Save the date!

Burns Night Ceilidh – FODs event. Please keep Saturday 20 January free! More information to follow.

The DX Holiday Club

We are running a Holiday Club every day during the October Half Term at Hinxton Village Hall. We are open from 8am to 6pm each day.

Prices after that day are £28 for a full day and £17.50 for a half day.

For further details please contact Lisa Wood on thedxclub@hotmail.co.uk or 07855 225267.

Diary Dates

Monday 16 to Thursday 19 October	Year 6 Bikeability
Monday 16 October, after school	Parent-Teacher meetings
Thursday 19 October, after school	Parent-Teacher meetings
Thursday 19 October, 9.05 am	Bramblings class assembly
Friday 20 October	House Day
Monday 23 to Friday 27 October	Half-term
Monday 30th and Tuesday 31st October	Year 6 Bikeability
Tuesday 31 October	Deadline for secondary school applications
Thursday 2 November, 9.05 am	Bluebells class assembly
Wednesday 8 November, 7.00 pm	DX Club AGM
Thursday 9 November	School photographer
Thursday 16 November, 9.05 am	Owls class assembly
Thursday 23 November, 9.05 am	Doves class assembly
Friday 24 November	Grandparents' Day
Friday 1 December, 4.00-6.00 pm	Christmas Fair
Wednesday 6 December, 9.30 am	Reception/KS1 nativity performance
Thursday 7 December, 6.00 pm	Reception/KS1 nativity performance
Tuesday 19 December	Autumn term closes
Wednesday 3 January 2018	Professional day - school closed to pupils
Thursday 4 January	Spring term starts
Monday 12 to Friday 16 February	Half-term
Thursday 29 March	Spring term closes
Monday 16 April	Professional day - school closed to pupils
Tuesday 17 April	Summer term starts
Monday 7 May	May day holiday
Monday 28 May to Friday 1 June	Half-term
Friday 20 July	Summer term closes for pupils
Monday 23 and Tuesday 24 July	Professional days

New entries to the diary are in bold