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Foxdell Primary School

Growing, Learning and Achieving Together

Junior Site

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NEWSLETTER : Friday 27th June/ Summer Term: Issue: 4

Head Teacher's Corner



Dear Families,

The end of the school year is fast approaching. The last few weeks have been a mix of focused learning and exciting events, and many more events are planned before the summer break! Please keep an eye on the diary dates- we will also send updates via email and text message so you don't miss out on any important information.

Last week, our Year 6 writing was moderated and we were really pleased with the outcome. The moderators were impressed with the quality of the writing produced by our pupils. A huge thank you to Mrs Hilton and the Year 6 team for their hard work in preparing the children and ensuring everything was organised to such a high standard.

Earlier this month, we had caterpillars arriving at school. The children have loved watching them transform through each stage from caterpillars to chrysalis and then to butterflies. Many classes have now released their butterflies- do ask your child to tell you about what they have learned during this fascinating process.

On Friday 13th June, 25 of our choir children took part in the Singing Spectacular at St Thomas's Church in Stopsley. The children sang beautifully and made us all so proud. Thank you to all the parents who were able to come along and support them- it was lovely to see so many of you there. We are looking forward to our choir performing again at our Summer Fair next week, so do come along and enjoy their lovely singing.

Many of our families joined us for our family trip to Bournemouth on Saturday 21st June. It was a fantastic day, filled with sunshine and lots of fun. A special thank you to Mrs Ahmed for organising the trip and to Mrs Williams, Mrs Ajayi and Mrs Hermans for helping on the day.

Best wishes,
 Mrs R Nisar
 Headteacher



Please note, our final newsletter for 2024-25 will be sent out during the last week of term.



Wednesday 2nd July
 Summer Fair

Thursday 3rd July
 Year 5 Ukulele performance to parents

Friday 4th July
 Transition Day- children visiting new classes

Monday 7th July
 YR Sports Day

Tuesday 8th July
 Year 1 & 2 Sports Day- Year 1 & 2 to be dropped off at the junior site

Year 3 & 4 Sports Day

Wednesday 9th July
 Y2 Summer Performance to parents

Y5 & Y6 Sports Day

Thursday 10th July
 M&M Production of Wizard of Oz- Year 1 & 2 to be dropped off at the junior site

Friday 11th July
 Y6 Performance for parents

Y3 Recorder Performance for parents

Monday 14th July
 Creative/ Careers Week

Friday 18th July
 Non-uniform Day
 Whole School Picnic

Tuesday 22nd July- LAST DAY

TRANSITION DAY

On Friday 4th July, all children will be taking part in Transition Day, where they will spend time in their new classes for September. Year 6 children will need to be dropped off at their new high schools. Year 2 children will spend the day at the Junior Site- please drop and collect them from there.

This is an exciting opportunity for all children to meet their new teachers and get a feel for their next stage in school.

Don't forget our annual summer fair will be taking place next week. We look forward to welcoming you all for an afternoon of fun, games, and community spirit.



Leading Parent Partnership Award
 2025 - 2028



MUSIC MARK SCHOOL
 2024 - 2025



ATTENDANCE MATTERS

The new attendance guidelines came into place from 19th August 2024. More information and FAQs about attendance can be found on our school website: <https://www.foxdellprimary.uk/attendance-1/>

Government guidance can be found here:

<https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2024/08/19/fines-for-parents-for-taking-children-out-of-school-what-you-need-to-know/>

We are open for 190 days in a school year which equates to 380 sessions including the morning and afternoon registration.



Our whole school attendance target is 96%

The class with the best attendance each week wins the attendance trophy and receives a best attendance certificate. Children in Reception receive a lucky dip prize if they have 100% attendance for the week. Attendance for the last two weeks:

Class	Attendance WB 16.06.25	Attendance WB 23.06.25	Class	Attendance WB 16.06.25	Attendance WB 23.06.25	Class	Attendance WB 16.06.25	Attendance WB 23.06.25
Wrens	92.5%	95.3%	Badgers	98.1%	97.3%	Ash	96.8%	97.7%
Swifts	94.8%	95.2%	Hedgehogs	98.5%	94.6%	Ivy	97%	90.3%
Robins	97.5%	96.7%	Chestnuts	98.5%	96.5%	Cedar	97%	97.7%
Dragonflies	91.7%	96.2%	Acorns	95.4%	96.8%	Kestrels	98.5%	96.5%
Ladybirds	97.7%	97%	Pinecones	96.7%	97.4%	Kites	97.3%	96.2%
Butterflies	91.7%	92.8%	Beech	97.2%	97.2%	Eagles	98.4%	96.5%
Squirrels	98.3%	100%	Oak	98.8%	98.3%			



Our Class H.E.R.O's for Week ending 20.06.25 & 27.06.25 are:

Infant Site: Squirrels & Hedgehogs

Junior Site: Oak

STARS OF THE WEEK



Congratulations to our STARS for the week ending 20.06.25 & 27.06.25

Robins	Wrens	Swifts	Dragonflies	Ladybirds	Butterflies	Badgers	Squirrels
Leen Sahil	Hassnain Yusuf	Tegnoor Tasen	Nicholas Fatima Mikael Hadiyah	Ahmed Aliza Rabail Hashim	Ezaan Zaira Amaya Maram	Amina Jasdeep Aiza H Ahaan	Anaya Evgeni Sarim Adam
All of Reception for good behaviour during their trip to Whipsnade							
Hedgehogs	Chestnuts	Acorns	Pinecones	Beech	Oak	Ash	Ivy
Yildiz Samad Zainab Faiyaz	Safaa A Soha Miraj Christine	Farhana Rebecca Aryan H Halimah	Qurb Musa A Waniya Hassan M	David Noor Maya Hassaan	Maya Sultan Ahmed Navjot	Petrus Ibraheem Saleh Mustafa	Farhan Inaaya Murtaza Saffiyah
		Cedar	Kestrels	Kites	Eagles		
		Julia Ayyan Ismail Sofia	Samuel Eshal Jawad Ibraheem	Gavinjot Hiba Yahya Noor	Zaina Rayyan Sufyaan Kaleem		




Our VALUE for Summer 2 is:



Our linked values are:
 Hope
 Patience
 Determination


Patience



We can show patience by:

- Waiting for our turns
- Reminding ourselves that things take time
- Being tolerant of others


Hope



We can show hope by:

- Setting goals for ourselves
- Being positive about the future
- Trying new things

Determination



We can show determination by:

- Never giving up
- Trying our hardest in everything
- Always doing our best
- Always wanting to be the best we can

Around our School

Foxdell Gardeners!

Children and staff have been working hard to grow vegetables in the school allotment on the Junior Site. We are hoping to be able to use some of these vegetables in our kitchen!



Around our School

Year 5 Trip to Southend-on-Sea

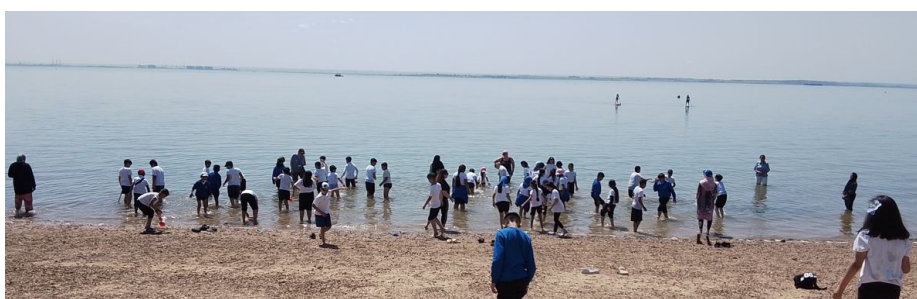


Earlier this month, Year 5 had a fantastic day at the beach in order to deepen our understanding of the oceans. When we arrived, we settled onto rugs to listen to the Beach Explorer Team's introduction. When we arrived, the sea was so far out that we could hardly see it. However, we soon learnt that Chalkwell is on the Thames estuary and that there are 2 high tides and two low tides every 24 hours.

The children were provided with buckets, litter pickers and beach creature guides before they set off on a scavenger hunt. They were amazed to find jellyfish, shells, crabs and even some tiny fossils. We also picked up litter, which we learnt can damage the sealife.



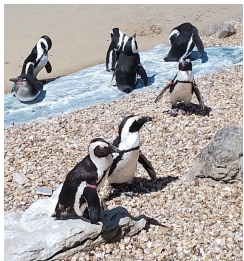
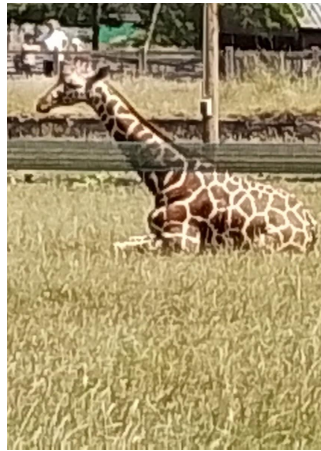
As it was so hot, we all had a long paddle in the sea, which was rapidly coming in. We tried to stop the sea by building a seawall using sand. It only held the sea back for a few moments before flooding the moat we had created. We completed our trip with a visit to the ice cream shop! The year 5 team would like to thank the parents that came along to help us. They were all absolute stars - especially Azaan's mum who rescued a child who had become trapped in the toilet!



Around our School

Year R Trip to Whipsnade Zoo

Yesterday, Reception went on their first school trip to the zoo. We were focusing on looking at different animals habitats and thinking about where they would live in the wild.



We used our knowledge of continents as we walked around the different areas and sang our Continents Song on the way!

Around our School

Year R

Reception have been learning all about Supertato! We found a crime scene in the garden and had to work out who had committed the crime! Luckily, Supertato was there to save the day from Evil Pea's plans.

The children created their own Supertatos out of potatoes and craft materials.



ONLINE SAFETY ASSEMBLY

As we are fast approaching the summer holidays, many children will be spending longer online. It is vital that all children know how to stay safe when online.

During our values assemblies this week, both KS1 and KS2 went through the importance of staying safe online and how to stay safe.

The children developed their understanding of the term SMART for staying safe online (Safe, Meeting, Accepting, Reliable, Tell). Each term was discussed in detail with examples for each.

Year 1

In Year 1, the children have started to learn about money. They have learnt to recognise both coins and notes that we use. The children have practiced their counting skills by counting in the value of different coins.

The children applied their money knowledge by spending coins in the Foxdell shop within each class. The children enjoyed spending money and receiving change.



Year 2

Year 2 have been working hard in Maths learning about different way of collecting data. They can draw tally charts, pictograms, bar charts and interpret data by answering questions about it.

In D.T. children had fun making moving monster. They have learnt about levers and pivots and used split pins to join the body of the monster.

In geography, we were learning about the features of a coast and we found Jurassic Coast which is located on the south of England, in the counties of Dorset and East Devon.

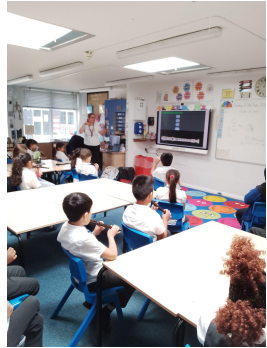
We also started rehearsing for our End of the Year Play and the children are becoming really good at singing the songs.

Around our School

Year 3

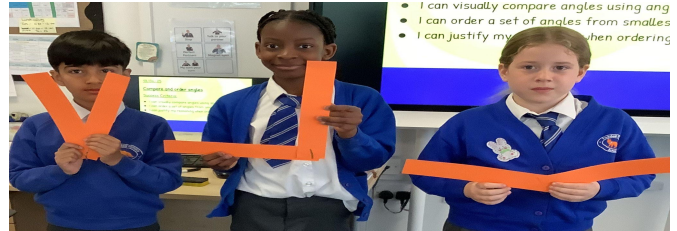
Year 3 children have been working really hard on their end-of-year assessments, and we're so pleased with the progress they've made. It's great to see how much they've grown in confidence and how determined they've been to do their best.

As well as their assessments, the children have also been getting creative in music lessons. They've been busy practising their recorder pieces and are really looking forward to performing for you in a few weeks' time. We can already tell it's going to be a brilliant show!

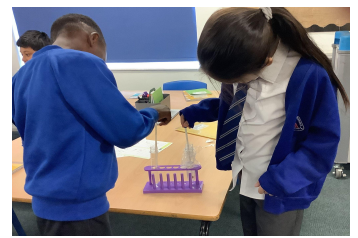


Year 4

In maths, we are learning about shapes. The children are able to identify and name different types of angles (right angles, acute angles, obtuse angles). They have also learned how to compare and order angles by size.



In science, the children have learned about the greenhouse effect and how it relates to climate change. We conducted a simple experiment to model the greenhouse effect. This helped the children to develop their scientific thinking and understand real-world environmental issues.



Year 6

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are excited to invite you to our upcoming Year 6 production—please **save the date** !

This special event will celebrate your children's journey, from their very first days in Reception to the confident Year 6 leavers they are today. It promises to be a memorable and heartfelt occasion.

We kindly ask that you arrive on time so that we can begin promptly. **Late arrivals will not be admitted once the performance has started.**

Thank you for your continued support.

Warm regards,
The Year 6 Team





ONLINE SAFETY CORNER

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

ZEPETO



FOR SALE

ZEPETO is a fast-growing app blending social networking with a virtual world experience – attracting around 20 million monthly users, with 15% from Europe. Players create 3D avatars to explore immersive environments, play games and interact with others; however, with minimal safety controls, anonymous chat and monetised content, ZEPETO poses a number of online safety concerns that parents and educators should be aware of.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

NO PARENTAL CONTROLS



Although ZEPETO is intended for users aged 14 and up, it lacks built-in parental controls or age verification, instead relying on safety features on the device it's played on. This lack of a parental controls feature raises concerns about whom children may be interacting with on the platform.

Hi there...

CYBERBULLYING RISKS



As with many social platforms, children can be targeted for bullying, harassment or exclusion by both strangers and their peers. Unfiltered chat and avatar-based interaction can allow bullying and other forms of harassment to continue, impacting children's wellbeing and mental health.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT



As a mix between a virtual world and a social media platform, ZEPETO features a wide range of user-generated content. Some areas may reference mature themes, such as TV series aimed at adults, or include inappropriate material created by other users – all of which children may stumble across without warning.

ADDICTIVE GAMEPLAY



Daily log-in rewards, such as coins, and in-game incentives can encourage compulsive behaviour, with some users feeling pressure to check in constantly to avoid missing out. This can lead to excessive screen time and conflict with schoolwork or offline hobbies or commitments.

STRANGER DANGER



By default, users can message and interact with anyone else. This open communication creates an environment where predatory individuals can pose as peers to gain trust, potentially leading to grooming, scams, and exploitation, such as blackmail.

SPENDING REAL MONEY



While the game is free to play, ZEPETO includes a store offering virtual clothing and accessories for avatars. These items are bought with 'ZEMs' – a paid currency – and the appeal of exclusive items or branded collaborations can make it easy for children to overspend.

Advice for Parents & Educators

ENABLE PRIVACY SETTINGS



Visit the child's profile settings to restrict who can send messages – options include Everyone, Followers Only, or No-one. Encourage children to avoid sharing any personal information on their profile, as this is visible even on private accounts.

CONTROL SPENDING

To prevent accidental purchases, set up purchase approval systems such as Apple's Ask to Buy or Google's Purchase Approvals. Alternatively, consider removing payment methods or using pre-paid cards with set budgets.

LIMIT IN-APP TIME



Use parental controls on Android (Google Family Link) or iOS (Screen Time) to restrict app usage by setting hours or daily limits. Encouraging breaks can help children develop healthier habits and reduce app dependency.

HAVE REGULAR CONVERSATIONS



Talk openly with children about whom they interact with online and the kinds of things they see or experience. Encourage them to speak up if someone makes them uncomfortable or if they come across inappropriate content. Teach them how to recognise red-flag behaviours such as asking for secrets, giving gifts, or requesting personal information.

Meet Our Expert

Alan Martin is an experienced technology journalist who has written for the likes of Wired, TechRadar, The Telegraph, The Evening Standard, The Guardian and The New Statesman.



SEND/ Health and Wellbeing

Ask the Experts - Luton Parent/Carer SEND information Event:

Transitioning to Primary school



You spoke, we listened: Smaller, themed sessions
providing focused expertise

This event is intended for parent/carers of children
who have or may have special educational needs
and disabilities (SEND)

Where:

Luton Family Hubs, Central
Library (ground floor) St
George's Square, Luton, LU1
2NG

When:

Wednesday 9th July 2025

Session times:

9.30am - 10.30am

11am - 12pm

Teams:

To find out about the teams
joining us, please scan the QR
code or type this link into
a web browser



<https://luton-parent-carer-send-information-event.eventbrite.com>

Booking is essential:

Spaces are limited! You will need
to book a free ticket for the time
that suits you best before
attending this event.

Scan the QR code below to book



Providing opportunities to engage with experts, including professionals
and parents and carers. Sharing experiences together!

For further information please contact SENDluton@luton.gov.uk



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Community

MARIO KART WORLD | ONE GIANT LEAGUE | ALL AGES



TOURNAMENT

-  **4 way races**
-  **One giant league table**
-  **Open To All ages**
-  **Secret Achievement Prizes**
-  **Top 4 Win Prizes**



Sign Up Here!



Saturday 28th June | 2-6PM
Luton Library | 3rd Floor Conference Rooms
Free Entry

Under 18s must be accompanied by an adult

MARIO KART WORLD | NINTENDO SWITCH 2 | FAMILY FRIENDLY TOURNAMENT

Community

Children (Under 18) NHS Dental Care Registration

Healthy Smiles Start Here! Register your child for an NHS dental checkup today and **give them a reason to smile brighter!**

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