



Flamstead Village School

Bright Stars 17.03.23

Nursery	Reece	<i>For engaging and being enthusiastic in all learning, especially in learning the actions for our story map of 'Tadpoles Promise'</i>
Reception	Cobi	<i>For showing kindness to all peers by offering to help with anything and for creating a positive classroom environment for peers and teachers.</i>
Year 1	Conor	<i>For being extremely focused all week on being sensible and completing great learning.</i>
Year 2	Lewis	<i>For having imaginative and creative writing when responding to Caribbean poems about trees and nature.</i>
Year 3	Maisie	<i>For continued effort to improve her learning in all subjects.</i>
Year 4	Eddie	<i>For working hard to improve focus and producing an excellent piece of independent homework.</i>
Year 5	Dylan	<i>For his enthusiastic approach to all school activities. Dylan always has wonderful presentation and super handwriting!</i>
Year 6	Teddy	<i>For his fantastic attitude towards learning. He is always willing to challenge himself in every lesson and every subject!</i>

Nut Allergies

Please can we ask you to double check items of food you are sending into school with regards to their nut content. For example, pesto and Nutella do contain traces of nut. Thank you.

Electric Umbrella Assembly

Tomorrow, the Electric Umbrella Charity will be coming to visit us. They will be delivering an assembly, sharing their live interactive music experiences that they create with learning disabled people. If you would like to know more about who they are and what they do, please visit their website at:

https://www.electricumbrella.co.uk/about_us

KS2 Parents Maths meeting - reminder

We are holding a Maths information meeting for KS2 parents at 8.30 am on Friday 24th March 2023 in the school hall.

Whole School Activity Day

We will be sending out shortly a ParentMail containing final details and information you will need to know about our Whole School Activity Day at Westminster Lodge next Wednesday, 29th March. All your questions should be answered in this document but do email the office if there is anything we haven't covered. If you haven't yet made your £3.00 donation, please can we ask you to do this asap. Thank you.



James Marshall Foundation (JMF)

Please see their newsletter which has been uploaded to our website at

<https://www.flamsteadjmi.herts.sch.uk/parent-information>

Easter - diary reminder



Parents are invited to come along and join us at our Easter Bonnet Parade taking place on Friday 31st March, 2023 at 9.00 am. We are hoping that this will take place on the playground (weather permitting) Children should bring the bonnets/hats that they have made into school on the morning of the 31st - **not before please**.

School Uniform - name checks

Due to the number of items of school clothing we find lying around both inside and outside on a daily basis, we will this week be checking jumpers and PE kits and writing names in any un-named items with a permanent marker so that, if found, these can be passed immediately to their owners. It is not always easy for us to find space to store this amount of 'lost property' in school so to help us manage this clothing situation, please can we ask you to also check and **name all school uniform**. Thank you.

Early Years Update

This week the children have enjoyed looking at some frogspawn and discussing the frog life cycle and thinking about what frogs and tadpoles need to grow. We have also put actions to our 'Tadpole's Promise' story map and have begun story sequencing and captioning parts of the story!

Next week: we will continue our 'Tadpoles Promise' story and innovate by changing a character and perhaps the setting!

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School Meals - Increase in meal charges

The daily charge for a KS2 school meal will increase to **£3.25** (this being in line with other local schools) from the start of the Summer Term.

The Summer menu from Herts Catering is available to view on our website at: <https://www.flamsteadjmi.herts.sch.uk/school-dinners>

Message from FoFS

Tea towels

We are grateful to everyone who purchased Tea-towels - this helped us make an amazing profit of **£200**. Thank you very much. And we hope you enjoyed seeing the drawings of your children's faces and has given you all a good memory of our lovely school.

If you did not order a tea towel and would like one, please contact Mrs. Smith in the office as we do have a few left.

NHS minor ailments scheme

As every parent knows, children often have minor ailments that need over-the-counter medicines. What many parents don't know is that these medicines can be obtained for free - vitally important in these cash-strapped times. This information is from HCC's Money Advice Unit.

If you already get free prescriptions (e.g. because of a low income, or your child is aged under 17, or 19 if in full time education) you can often get other free non-prescription medicines for minor ailments too.

This is known as the NHS minor ailments scheme. It can save you large amounts in treating common conditions such as coughs, diarrhoea, eczema, ear and eye infections, nappy rash, cradle cap and head lice. You might even be given branded drugs such as Calpol or Nurofen for free, but if eligible you would certainly get generic, unbranded equivalents, plus things such as eye drops.

If you don't get free prescriptions, remember that many generic medicines cost less than the £9.65 price of a prescription anyway. And of course, going to a qualified pharmacist means not trying to book a GP appointment.

The minor ailments scheme isn't available everywhere. You'll find it in selected Boots and Lloyds pharmacies, plus other chains and independents. Ask your local pharmacy for info. You, or your child, will then usually need to see the pharmacist and may need to be assessed. Take proof that you're eligible for free prescriptions, e.g. proof of age or the relevant certificate.

Community News

Watergate Farm are holding 'lambing weekends' over the next few weeks. Please follow the link to their flyer which has been uploaded to our website at:

<https://www.flamsteadjmi.herts.sch.uk/other-items>