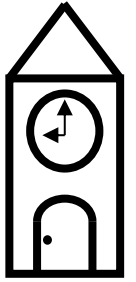


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Friday Bridge Primary School



Newsletter

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Welcome to our newsletter

I hope that this newsletter finds you all well and that you have enjoyed a lovely summer holiday. It has been a wonderful start to the new school year, seeing the children come into school so enthusiastically and wearing a smile. They have exuded positivity, confidence and kindness. I'm sure that this will continue, ensuring that we all have a happy and successful year ahead.

As always, if you have any queries or wish to discuss anything, please contact either myself, Mrs McKie or Chair of Governors, Maggie Barwell.

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Friday Bridge have achieved the School Games Gold award! The School Games Mark is a government led awards scheme launched in 2012 to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community. Participating in this process allows schools to evaluate their PE provision and assists them in developing an action plan for future progress.

The criteria of the School Games Mark aligns directly with the School Games outcomes. Schools will need to demonstrate how they are/have:

maintaining and growing your school's engagement in the School Games and your delivery of 60 active minutes for every child

- create positive experiences by ensuring physical activity and competition provision is designed to reflect the motivation, competence and confidence of your young people and has a clear intent
- a clear focus on transition points and how secondary schools engage in the School Games

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ create positive experiences to support character development of targeted young people ▪ advocated to key stakeholders how the School Games makes a meaningful difference to the lives of children and young people, including engaging and educating parents.
<p style="text-align: center;">Governor News</p> <p>An exciting opportunity has recently come our way! The Governing Body is proud to announce that our school has been approached to consider entering into a partnership with another Cambridgeshire School, Kinderley Primary. There are a number of potential benefits to this including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • greater financial flexibility possible through reduced costs / economies of scale / sharing resources • more opportunities for enriching and widening children's learning opportunities • further enhancing the quality of teaching and learning by sharing expertise across the 2 schools. (Both schools have highly experienced, well- qualified staff in post). <p>We are keen to gather your views on this important matter. On Monday, all parents will receive a consultation document with detailed information about the benefits and possible risks of entering into a formal partnership. The consultation will be open for 6 weeks and we will be holding further information opportunities in school. The Governing Body will consider parental and community feedback as well as the views of staff and pupils, to inform their decision.</p> <p>Maggie Barwell Chair of Governor</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Parents' School Preference Adviser</p> <p>My name is Tiff Christian and I am the Parents' School Preference Adviser for Cambridgeshire, as part of the SENDIASS team. I have recently been appointed after a long period of vacancy and would like to introduce myself to you and your families. Here is my email Choosingschool@cambridgeshire.gov.uk if you require any support or advice regarding admissions, the application process or appeals.</p> <p>I wish you a happy and healthy start to the new school year ahead.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">After school clubs</p> <p>There has been a slight change in clubs this term. Staff have offered many clubs over the past year but, due to their many commitments, they are not always able to offer clubs every term or commit every week due to these commitments. We have also tried very hard not to have to charge for clubs in the past. After many requests from parents to offer reliable and consistent after school care from Monday to Friday, the school has made these changes. There will be a small charge for this provision which will cover staff costs and resources. Your child will receive a drink and snack as well as variety of activities. There will also be themed days during the week such as art, sport, computing etc. These will be announced weekly.</p> <p>As this is a trial, we would greatly appreciate your thoughts, comments and suggestions moving forward. Further, if you are a parent who need this provision but require some support, please do not hesitate to speak to the office.</p>

**St Mark's
Friday Bridge**

Harvest Celebration



Friday 13th October at 2pm
Especially for Friday Bridge Primary
School, family and friends. If you would like
to bring something for the Food Bank, that
would be a wonderful blessing!

**St Mark's
Friday Bridge**

Harvest Celebration



St Mark's Church
Friday Bridge with Coldham
Sunday 17th September 2023 at 10.30am
All welcome to attend. If you would like to
bring something for the Food Bank, that
would be a wonderful blessing!

Diary dates

Tuesday 12th September - Dogs Trust Sessions (Whole School)

Tuesday 19th September – Roots to food (Whole School)

Friday 22nd September – Year 4, 5 & 6 Cross Country at Wisbech Grammar School

Friday 6th October – Year 4, 5 & 6 Hockey at Wisbech Grammar School

Friday 13th October – Harvest Festival at Church (Whole School)