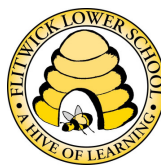


# FLITWICK LOWER SCHOOL

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Dear Parents

11<sup>th</sup> November 2011

## Newsletter No. 9

Our value for November is:  
**Courage**

We are proud of the children at our school at all times, but especially today when they showed an enormous amount of respect with their 1 minute's silence. All the children stopped wherever they were and stayed still and quiet for the whole minute.

As part of National School Meals week the children have been enjoying a range of different foods and experiences such as decorating their own biscuits for pudding. It has been fun and they have tried lots of new foods.

### CHANGE OF DATE - FOUNDATION STAGE CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Foundation Stage Christmas Concert has been moved to Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December.

### CHANGE OF DATE - ASSOCIATION MEETING

Please note that the date of the next Association meeting has been changed to Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm. Everyone is welcome.

### REMINDER - COATS FOR CHILDREN

As the weather gets colder, please remember to send your child into school with a coat, even if you have come to school by car. The children will be going outside to play at break time and lunchtime so long as it is not raining, but it can now be a little chilly, so the children should be wearing coats. Please also remember to put your child's name in all items that come to school. Coats and single gloves are not easy to find a home for without a name.

### CHRISTMAS FAYRE - 27<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

Planning is now well on the way for the Christmas Fayre and lots of stalls have been organised. We will have already requested soft toys for one of the stalls, but we are now looking for good condition second-hand books for another stall. If you have any quality second-hand books, please send them to the school office c/o Mickey Richards.

### DISCOS - CHILDREN IN NEED - FRIDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

If you have not yet applied to attend the school Discos, please do so as soon as possible. Tickets are being sent out to children on a regular basis at the moment. Remember, the children can come to school in Mufti on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November to support Children in Need, and no extra donation will be asked, but you do need to purchase a disco ticket in order to attend the disco.

### RECYCLING OF OLD PENS ETC.

As part of our Eco-schools, we have now arranged to have old pens recycled. We have organised this with Terracycle, who pay us per "unit" recycled. Please send in any old pens, felt tips, propeller pens, highlighters, liquid paper (bottles and pens) and ballpoints for the school to recycle. There will be a box for pens in the Reception area or send them into class with your child, as there is a box in each classroom too.

### COMMUNITY SUPPORT

We know there are families in the town who are struggling in the present economic climate. The school and Flitwick Town Council are supporting the work The Baptist Church is doing to help improve this situation. We are working together to



collect non-perishable foods, new toys and games and seasonal items such as crackers that can be distributed by the Church. If you would like to contribute please bring your item to the School Office by **Thursday 17th November**. If you have any queries please contact the school office or Cheryl/Stacie at Flitwick Town Council on 01525 631900

### DECEMBER BALL

Today is the last day for getting your payment in to Lisa Degnan for the Ball. If you have not yet done this, please send it to the the office c/o Lisa Degnan by Monday at the very latest.

Also, we are still looking for **Raffle Prizes** URGENTLY for the Ball. If you do have any donations, please send them to the school office c/o Lisa Degnan.

### WARNING FROM BEDFORDSHIRE POLICE

A number of people have reported that they are receiving telephone calls from Security Companies claiming to be working with, or for the Police. Some Residents have been told that the Chief Constable is specifically involved in these projects.

Other callers have claimed that they are selling products that raise money for the Police or Police Charities. Bedfordshire Police do not employ any private companies to undertake security checks on peoples homes. If you have genuine concerns about the security of your home and property, please contact your Local Policing Team, or a Crime Reduction Officer, by call 01234 841212.

### COMMUNITY NEWS

#### MESSY CHURCH - SATURDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> NOV.

Flitwick Church is running their next Messy Church on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November from 11am to 1pm at the Chapter House, St Peter & St Paul's Church, Church Road, Flitwick. They welcome families with children from 5yrs to 15 yrs and will be running activities for adults and children. For more information, please contact Anne Roby (01525 718529) or Michael Bradley (01525 712369).

### FAIRIES 'N' FROGS - DESIGN A CHRISTMAS WINDOW COMPETITION

If you are artistic and love drawing or making things, why not enter this competition. Design a Christmas themed window, on paper, in a cereal box, in 2D or 3D, with sparkles and lights, or whatever you fancy. Entries will be in 2 age groups - Lower School (ages 4-8) and Middle School (ages 9-13). There is a prize for each group - £10 voucher to spend in the shop, plus a selection of educational games for a school of their choice worth £50. Entries to be handed in to Fairies 'n' Frogs, 86a Dunstable Street, Ampthill. Closing Date: Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December. All entries should be labelled with your name, age, contact details and school attended.

### FREE CAREERS WORKSHOPS HELD LOCALLY EVERY TUESDAY

Looking for work? Being made redundant? Need some help with your CV? Want to brush up on your interview skills? Wondering where to go for careers advice?

FREE confidential careers interview and group workshops available in Ampthill every Tuesday with a qualified impartial careers adviser.

For more information or to book an appointment please contact Denise Moreau on 01525 408088 or email [moreaud@developebp.co.uk](mailto:moreaud@developebp.co.uk)

This project is being funded by Bedfordshire Adult Skills & Community Learning and is supported by Develop EBP,



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### DIARY DATES

- 11<sup>th</sup> Nov - Last day for payment for Ball
- 15<sup>th</sup> Nov - FLSA Meeting - 7pm
- 17<sup>th</sup> Nov - Full Governors' Meeting - 7pm
- 18<sup>th</sup> Nov - Mufti Day for Children in Need
- 18<sup>th</sup> Nov - Association Discos
- 21<sup>st</sup> Nov - One Stop Course for Parents - 6pm
- 27<sup>th</sup> Nov - Xmas Fayre
- 5<sup>th</sup> Dec - New date for Foundation Concert

