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## Newsletter No. 3

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a busy fortnight it has been, with so much to celebrate. Last week many families enjoyed a lovely evening having the chance to chat, whilst the children enjoyed a fantastic selection of Bouncy Castles. A resounding success courtesy of our FABS team!

At the recent FABS AGM, two longstanding members made the difficult decision to stand down from their positions; so we would like to thank both Richard Banks, for his tireless enthusiasm and energy as the Chair and Rachel McKenzie who was the treasurer, keeping the books nice and healthy! We know they will not go too far away and will assist the newly appointed members in these roles.

Four year 6 pupils represented the school in the annual English Challenge, held at The Bellbird this week. They competed against 8 other teams, answering challenging questions based on a wide variety of children's literature as well as basic English skills (a round in which they were highly commended). We were delighted with the teamwork and collaboration demonstrated by the children; they were a real credit to the school.

Harvest Festivals were another highlight for the school this week. The performances and singing by the children were enjoyed by all. Thank you to the parents who assisted us in walking the children to and from the church; an especially exciting adventure for our new Reception children. The generous donations were kindly transported by our parents to John Huntingdon Charity, where they were very welcomed. The food will be distributed in the coming weeks.

As our Wrens and Robins are increasingly settling into the routines of school life, we were delighted to have them attend their first Friday Celebration Assembly. I think that you will agree that they managed this very well and really enjoyed the different celebrations, including joining in with singing and actions of the song.

The first Parent Forum is next Thursday at 6pm. Class representatives will be nominated at this meeting as well as a new vice chair and secretary. This meeting is open to all parents, so please do come along and join us if you are interested in finding out more about it.

After much discussion we have agreed on a reviewed format for the Christmas Production. In order to enable more children to have the opportunities to be involved in play production, we will be involving both year 3 and year 2 children. The lead acting parts of the play will be carried out by Year 3 classes, with the Year 2 children providing excellent vocal backing. As a consequence, we will be staging 3 performances this year as opposed to the usual 2, in order to accommodate families of all children.

If your child is going home with anybody different from normal, please do inform the person on the KS2 gate or myself on KS1 gate so that we can ensure the message is passed on to the class teacher.

Many thanks  
Mrs Kendall | Headteacher

### Health & Safety

On PE days, please ensure that children have removed their earrings before coming to school or that they have some surgical tape to cover up the earrings.  
Thank you!

### Toys in school

We have noticed recently an increase in the number of children bringing small toys into school. Unless this is at the specific request of a teacher we ask that you please discourage this and make sure these stay safely at home.



# Dates for the Diary

Date	Event
Thursday 11th October	6pm Parent Forum meeting
Friday 12th October	9:15am New Reception Parent Open Morning
Monday 22nd October— Friday 26th October	HALF TERM—SCHOOL CLOSED
Tuesday 30th October	8—11am Parent consultations
Thursday 1st November	3:40—7pm Parent consultations
Saturday 3rd November	FABS event Fireworks Night
Friday 16th November	FABS event for KS2—details TBC
Wednesday 21st November	9:15am New Reception Parent Open Morning
Friday 23rd November	FABS event for KS1—details TBC
Saturday 1st December	FABS event Christmas Fair 1—4pm
Tuesday 11th December	6pm Christmas production
Wednesday 12th December	9:30 KS1 Christmas Service at St Marys 1:30 KS2 Christmas Service at St Marys
Thursday 13th December	9:30 Christmas Production 6pm Christmas Production
Monday 17th December	Christmas Dinner Christmas Jumper/ Hat day
Wednesday 19th December	Last day of term
Monday 7th January	First day of Spring term