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Dear Parents,

As ever, I am happy to handover the writing of the newsletter to the children! A group of children in Foxes were keen to create a newspaper which I am pleased to be able to share with you today. I can't wait for the next edition!

# YAXHAM SCHOOL NEWS

# **ISSUE UNO**



Welcome to Yaxham School news, this is the first edition of the School news!!!
Come here to know all the information about our fab school!

Important Dates.

Last day of term- 21<sup>st</sup> of October!!!

Clocks go back- October 25<sup>th</sup>

Start of winter term!!!!!

# Year 6's Are starting to choose High School!

The two main local high





## Schools are Neatherd and Northgate!

Which will They choose?

# Your child's learning this week!

Foxes: In Foxes they have been learning about the ancient Greeks. They learnt about how they Invented the Olympics!

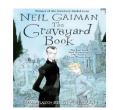


Badgers: In Badgers they have been learning about the Stone age to the Celts. They learnt how in the more advanced age they used Bronze, Metal and silver to make weapons and tools!

Hedgehogs: In hedgehogs they have been learning about the Great Fire of London. They have learnt on how to make bread and got taught about the Fire fighters!

Squirrels: In Squirrels they have been learning about traditional tales and fairy tales. They have read the fairy tale Jack and the beanstalk!

Book recommendations The Graveyard book by



## **Neil Gaiman**

# Thank you for reading our news!!! Next issue date: 6<sup>TH</sup> OF NOVEMBER!

It is lovely to hear about the learning that has been going on in classes. Squirrels have shared a few of their photos, they made shadow puppets to help retell the tales they had been reading.









### Other Messages

#### The road

We have shared lots of reminders about the road and parking over the years. This remains a huge worry for us. As children are handed over to parents, it is really important that they know to stay with you and only to cross the road with you, when you have told them it is safe.

#### Hot Meal

Our next hot meal, pizza and potato wedges, will be Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October. If you would like to order a meal, please email or telephone the office.

#### Flu Immunisations

If you haven't opted in or out of the immunisations, please make sure you go online and do this. This will be open until  $19^{TH}$  October.

#### Children in Need

Fundraising for children in Need will take place from the 9<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> November this year. As there is a lot of concern for children's mental well-being, this year we will be holding 'Feel Good Friday on the 13<sup>th</sup> November.' Children can wear whatever makes them comfortable, they may want to dress up, wear their PJ's, sports gear, or simply normal clothes. All donations will go straight to the Children in Need appeal.

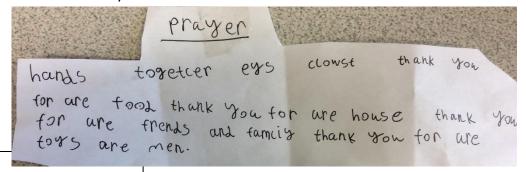
#### Non-Uniform Day

Following a suggestion from Toby Burton in Badger Class, we will be holding a non-uniform day on Wednesday  $21^{st}$  October 2020. The proceeds will be shared between the Friends of Yaxham Primary School and his chosen charity, which will be a charity that has supported people during the pandemic. Minimum donation of £1.

#### Harvest Festival

Don't forget we will be celebrating harvest in classes this year. You will be able to see some of this on Tapestry. Children can bring donations from Monday  $19^{th}$  October, the last day for collection will be Wednesday  $21^{st}$  October.

And to end our newsletter with more children's work, Harriet chose to write a prayer.



#### Dates for your Diary:

Collection of Harvest donations 19th~21st October 2020

Non-Uniform Day 21st October 2020

End of half term 21st October 2020

Children return to school 2<sup>nd</sup> November

Flu Immunisation 4th November 2020

Feel Good Friday! 13th November 2020

With best wishes for the weekend ahead. Mrs Jennie Müller

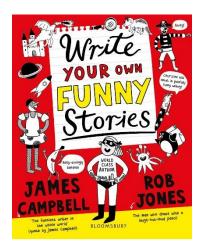
# A Bright Party Gift

# For preschool and primary aged children

As we are unable to hold our annual Bright Party in All Saints Church - Mattishall, we would love to share a little gift bag with you! This can be collected from our Church Office on Dereham Road (next to the surgery) between 9am - 1pm on 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, 29th or 30<sup>th</sup> Octuber. Please ring or email prior to collection on 01362 858873 or contact@matvchurch.uk - local delivery may be possible.

A Pumpkin Trail is also available for you to do with an adult, in Mattishall village, during Half Term Week
Details will be in the gift bag and on posters

#### ONLINE WEEKLY CREATIVE WRITING CLASS



For Children who really like writing.

Taught by children's author and comedian: **James Campbell**(James has visited Yaxham several times, children are always
inspired by his visits)

Do you have a child who wants to be a writer? Do they have notebooks stuffed with stories and ideas? Or are they showing a talent that needs nurturing.

James Campbell wrote **The Funny Life of Pets**; **The Funny Life of Teachers**; and **The Funny Life of Sharks.** He has been travelling around schools for 25 years, inspiring children to be more creative and get writing.

Since Covid19, however, he has moved what he does online to **Zoom** meetings so that he can help children who want to be authors too.

James has been running weekly classes since April with huge success.

A lot of what James teaches is based on his next book **Write Your Own Funny Stories** which will be published by Bloomsbury in March 2021.

Classes have a maximum of 15 children and take the form of a combination of taught exercises, brainstorming around ideas, imagination, planning and actual writing. They are a safe place to share and celebrate your child's writing. We also have special guests in the form of other writers and illustrators.

James' classes cost just £5 each but they are FREE if you are in receipt of free school meals. These workshops are suitable for children aged 7-11 and he also runs one for teenagers.

For more information please email: <a href="mailto:bookings@thejamescampbell.com">bookings@thejamescampbell.com</a>

James has NSPCC training in child protection and a full DBS.

And best of all of course, classes are completely Covid Secure.

"I'm so impressed with James' sessions. Funny. Engaging. Friendly. Informal. Thoughtful. His approach really encourages creativity and imagination with a big dose of humour. My son always looks forward to his time with James." Becky.