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Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that we are only just coming to the end of Week 2. The children have settled so well back into the routine, it is like they have never been away! The Reception children have also settled really well, make sure you visit their Tapestry journal to see what they have been up to.

As the children have returned to school I am sure you will be aware that cases of Coronavirus have seen a spike both nationally and locally. The guidance still identifies the three key symptoms:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

If you are concerned about any other symptoms, please take medical advice and access a PCR test if necessary.

With the changes to the track and trace system, schools will not be required to inform families of positive cases unless the number escalates to what is considered an outbreak. Those fully vaccinated or under the age of 18 years 6 months will not be required to isolate if they are in close contact with a positive case, but we would ask that they do access a PCR test before returning to school.

Special Awards this week:

Hedgehog Class

All of Reception for settling in so beautifully

Badger Class





John for being really focussed and determined with his work this week

Fox Class

Ellie, for having a super attitude to her work and working really hard

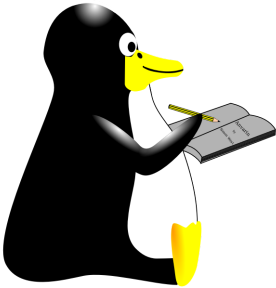


Writer of the Week

Gracie Bu for great use of the passive voice in her writing

Well done all of you for your fantastic work!

Visit Tapestry to see Mabel's book recommendation.



Other Messages

Morning Club

Morning club continues to run from 8am daily. Spaces can be booked by emailing the office. Children enjoy a range of activities including sports, art and crafts and music. We ask for a donation of £2 per session to support staffing and resources.

Music Lessons

Mrs Robinson currently has spaces for piano, ocarina and recorder tuition.

Ocarina and recorder lessons take place during the school day and are usually part of a small group. Piano lessons are 1-1 and may take place during the day or after school. Please contact the school office for further information.

Morrison's

If you or your family and friends are shopping at Morrison's, please register with their app to help us collect points for gardening equipment.



I have added a copy of the press release from the park opening in case you haven't seen it, along with some of the lovely photos they took of our children enjoying it. Hopefully there will be enough sunshine over the weekend for children to enjoy using it!

Best wishes,

Jennie Müller

Headteacher



Enhanced play area opens to Yaxham families

Children in Yaxham are now able to enjoy a newly-enhanced play area which officially opened over the weekend, following the completion of a

£23,000 refurbishment project.

Officially opening the play area to local residents on Saturday, Cllr Alison Webb, Executive Member for Housing, Health & Communities at Breckland Council, was delighted to see the newly installed climbing frames, environmentally-friendly flooring, and new picnic benches put in place to allow parents and children to enjoy the space together and catch up with friends in an open space. The new-look play area has also seen a brand new slide and climbing area installed and existing swings refurbished.



The project received a £5000 contribution from Breckland Council's Inspiring Communities fund. The grant is part of a wider £1 million investment over three years to support local groups within Breckland. The aim of the programme is to help

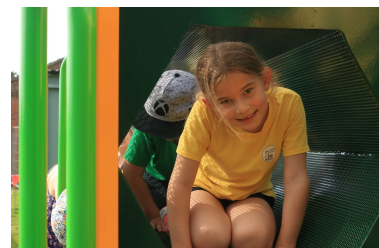
break down isolation in our community, support good mental health, whilst tackling issues around domestic abuse, isolation and County Lines.

Cllr Alison Webb commented: "I am really happy that our Inspiring Communities fund has been able to support this wonderful facility in Yaxham. Children and parents benefit so much from playing outside and meeting up with friends and family and I'm sure this new play area will be really well-used by the local community."

Ian Martin, Chairman of Yaxham Parish Council thanked those local residents and funders involved in making this project happen, including Yaxham parish councillors Chris Couves and Bob Gust, who led the project, and Breckland Council for the grant that helped make this happen. He commented: "It is great to have this play space safely open again and available for the whole community to use.

This is the completion of the first phase of the project which is for the under 13's. The next phase will be to consult and raise funds for equipment for the 13-17 year-olds."

The play project refurbishment cost a total of £23,000 and was also supported by Yaxham Parish Council and Yaxham Parish Charity. The project was organised and delivered by the parish council. Children living nearby and from Yaxham Primary School were specially invited to take part in the official opening.



Dates for your Diary:

Fox Class Assembly 22nd October 2021 (We hope to be able to invite parents of Fox Class to this assembly, we will share further details nearer the time)

End of half-term 22nd October 2021

End of Autumn Term 17th December 2021

Players Wanted

MATTISHALL UNDER 11'S DEVELOPMENT TEAM



Mattishall Under 11's development team are looking for a couple of new players to join their existing squad ready for the start of the new season.

We train at Neatherd High School on Thursday evenings and will be playing 7v7 in the Inspired Soccer league on Saturday mornings.

If your child is going in to year 5 or 6 and would like to be part of a fun, friendly and enthusiastic team then look no further.

For more information email Catherine.black1@sky.com



Are you 4 years old or older?

Do you enjoy singing songs?

Are you good at playing games?

Do you like making crafts?

Are you wanting to learn more about Christianity from listening to bible stories?

If YES, come and join our

SUNDAY FUN HOUR!

Every Sunday at 10-11 am

In the Chapel

At Clint Green, Yaxham.

Please help spread this invitation to your friends and family.

**For more information call Carole
07909811470 or 01362 696846**