



# Frances Olive Anderson C of E Primary School

## Snippets

Academic Year 2016/2017

06/01/2017

Happy New Year!

We hope that you all had a wonderful holiday, a good Christmas and a restful break from the daily school run.

We have begun term with a WOW maths day where all the children have been involved in a 'Mind Mission' session. The children had tasks which they had to solve using their mathematical skills in teams. We were really impressed with the behaviour of the children and their willingness to persevere with the task and the support they gave one another in reaching the conclusions or the end point.

Following these sessions, it has been suggested that we could develop a Maths library of games and puzzles which encourage mathematical thinking, logic, spatial awareness and pattern exploration. Watch this space as we may be asking for willing volunteers to help us set this up and create a lending library where all families can access games to play at home.

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### Anglo – Saxon Workshop

Year 4 have really enjoyed this exciting week. We have welcomed Mrs Kershaw full time now and due to the time spent with transition, the children feel very confident with her and they have quickly got to know one another this week. To end the week and to start the new topic for learning in Year 4, they were treated to a highly engaging and informative Workshop about the Anglo-Saxon times.

### Young Voices

This fantastic event is approaching quickly. Please make sure you are clear on all of the details as we leave school by coach but parents are responsible for collecting their children after the event from the event venue.

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### Attendance

Whole School  
95.88%

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### Tully Cup

This term, our school value is Peace. Jesus said:  
"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God."  
(Matthew 5: 9) Peace-making actions can range from helping to resolve conflict to creating space for stillness. Peace, in the sense of total well-being, is God's intention for the whole of creation, and is a promise that awaits ultimate fulfilment.

If you would like to explore this value further at home, I will be putting some homework ideas on our website.

Winners this week:  
KS 1 – Lewis Madden  
KS 2 – Elise Simpson

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### Parking

A polite reminder that when you are parked and waiting for your child or children that it is an offence to leave your engine running. Please be considerate of our neighbours.

### Uniform, Book Bags and Water Bottles

Due to an increase in supplier costs from Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January book bags will now be £5.00 and water bottles £1.50.

We have also been notified of an increase to uniform costs. We will be doing some research into new suppliers and costs and will keep you informed if there are to be any changes.

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### Martial Arts Club

Running from Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January.  
£3.00 per session  
For Key Stage 2 pupils  
Spaces still available – please contact the office.

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### Hair Styles

Although we do not have a formal policy on hair styles or colour, we do not encourage extreme hair colours which are vastly different to natural colours or very short hair with excessive tramlines shaved. We hope that you feel able to support us with this. Most schools and certainly the majority of secondary schools do have quite strict policies on this.

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### Next week

09.01.17	9.15	NSPCC Assembly
10.01.17		
11.01.17	3.10	Yr5/6C class assembly
	3.30 – 4.30	True motion rehearsal
12.01.17		
13.01.17	12.30 leave	Young Voices