



'I will instruct you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you.' Psalm 32:8

Dear Parents and Carers,

We look forward to welcoming the children (and families!) to early morning aerobics in the playground, next week - weather permitting. Aerobics will start from 8:40am to 8:55am. Children are welcome to come to school wearing **school** PE kit for all of next week (plain white t-shirt, with or without school logo and plain navy, black or grey shorts).

POLITE REMINDERS

- Parking outside school, on the yellow lines or junction is prohibited. We have been made aware that illegal parking outside the school grounds has been reported to the police.

ATTENDANCE

Our attendance target is 96%

	Infants	Juniors	Overall
May	94.8%	97%	96%
April	94.5%	95.6%	95%
March	94.3%	95.7%	95%
February	94.7%	96.5%	95.2%

Message from PFA

The PFA have been invited to have a stand at the Summer Church Fete on Saturday 8th July from 11.30am. They will be selling jars filled with goodies. If you are able, please bring in a jam-jar filled with such things as sweets/hair bobbles/other small items to school.

Please have any order forms for new school uniform returned to the school office or given to Kerri Turner by 30th June.



The winners of the June Draw 2023

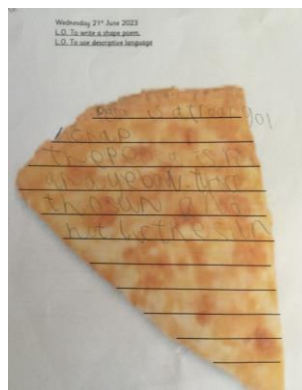
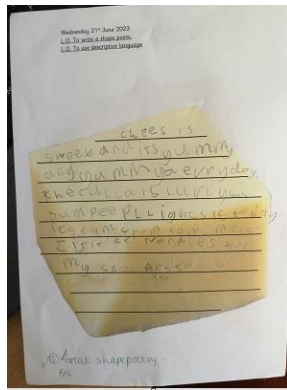
- 1st prize – Leanne Elton
- 2nd prize – Valentine Haslam
- 3rd prize – Gillian Goold

Week beginning 19th June 2023

This week's learning highlights:

News from Infants (Reception, Y1 and Y2)

In DT, the infants had a wonderful time making bird feeders with Mrs Stephen on Monday afternoon. They wasted no time in getting these hung up and an array of birds have already been seen munching on the seeds! This week we have immersed ourselves in pizza poetry, listening to poems and writing our own shape poems. We also tasted some pizza toppings and made a scale to show how healthy or unhealthy they were. We decided that having small amounts of an unhealthy piece of food every so often would be okay as long as we ate healthy foods too, to have a balanced diet. In maths, we explored the value of numbers and how this links to money and coins.



In English, the year 2 children looked in further detail at a selection of recipes and collected a bank of super verbs and adverbs. They then used the vocabulary to help them write some wonderful instructions on how to make a pizza.

In Maths, Year 2 have shown enthusiasm in their learning of position and direction. They used key language to follow and give directions to get from one place to another and even made their own grids to do so.



News from Juniors (Y3, Y4, Y5, and Y6)

Year 3 and 4 have loved the story of 'I was rat' so far this term. This week, we welcomed the characters Bob and Joan to class. Children had prepared well for their visit and had written open questions for the interview. Bob and Joan (Cabe and Charlie) gave fabulously detailed answers which included evidence from the story so far to justify their feelings and opinions. Next week we start to write our Diary for Bob remembering to write in the first person, past tense and to include events in chronological order.



We had a blast in DT this week, following a recipe to prepare vegetables for a hearty soup. All pupils were able to use the different techniques (claw grip, bridge cut) safely whilst using a knife and a peeler. I hope they enjoyed their soup for tea Tuesday evening. Many thanks for the photos that came in showing the children cooking their meal at home.



This week the year 5&6 children have been working hard writing the next chapter in our book The Lost Whale! The children thought about the different characters in the book and how they have changed since the start, we discussed the different settings in the book and how they could use these within their own chapter. They then had a very short amount of planning time and got themselves writing. We were really impressed with the results which showed off just how amazing they are as writers and how imaginative they all are.

Also for RE (Hinduism) this week KS2 have produced some amazing artwork to show their interpretation of Samsara (Hinduism cycle of life: birth, life, death and rebirth). I have been so impressed with their explanations and vibrant depictions of Samsara they are all to be commended. These are now displayed in the floor book which will be accessible during our Fabulous Finale.

Year 4, 5 & 6 had an absolutely awesome day on Friday 16th June at the Wisbech Grammar School Sports Festival. Not only did the sun shine but all our children shone brilliantly too! All the adults involved were very proud of their sportsmanship, keenness, enthusiasm and encouragement to others. The 'Massingham Team' were extremely well presented in their Federation Shirts. The day was packed with a carousel of athletic activities: triple jump, discus, turbo javelin, shot put, hurdles, high jump, long jump and relays. All our children gave their 100% and encouraged those who were a bit hesitant. We all enjoyed lunch in the huge communal hall. We were very proud of all the children. A thank you too, to the adults who came along as supportive spectators.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 26th - Fri 30th June	Aerobics mornings 8:40am - 8:55am on the playground (Weather permitting but participation is encouraged... for all)
Wednesday 28th June	Sports Day at 1:15pm, children come to school in PE kit - families welcome
Wednesday 5th July	Sports day reserve - if weather conditions put a stop to 28 th June
Wednesday 12th July	Y6 Leavers treat 3-6pm Please collect your child from school at 6pm, thanks. More details to follow.
Friday 14th July	Year 6 Leavers Service, 2pm at the church - families welcome
Friday 14th July	PFA Summer Fayre - times TBC
Monday 17th July	Year 6 Induction Day at Litcham
Tuesday 18th July	Year 6 Induction Day at Litcham
Friday 21st July	END OF TERM
AUTUMN TERM	Wednesday 6th September - Wednesday 20th December

SUMMER TERM DATES

Monday 5th June - Friday 21st July

REGULAR DATES

- Monday:** 1.00pm to 2.00pm Music with Estelle from the Music Service
- Tuesday:** 3.30pm onwards - Benjamin Howell, piano lessons
1.00pm onwards Stef Judd, piano and guitar lessons
- Thursday:** Juniors PE - Junior children to come to school in their PE kit.
- Friday:** PE (Juniors and Infants) with Rob from ICS Coaching - children to come to school in PE kit.

★ STARS OF THE WEEK ★

- Year R & 1:** Layton for wowing us with your fantastic effort and attitude towards your learning.
- Year 2:** Dexter for making incredible progress in his reading.
- Years 3/4:** Charlie and Cabe for their confident performance of Bob and Joan.
- Years 5/6:** Lexi for an absolute gutsy relay race where she had to run around the whole track, even though she puffed out, she kept going. Brilliant resilience and 'can do' attitude, well done Lexi.

VISION, VALUES & COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week we explored perseverance and influencers. We thought about people who influence us to persevere. We learnt that through perseverance we give ourselves every chance of reaching our goals. We continued our Value for Life: THANKFULNESS

Our 5 Core Values:



Have a warm and wonderful weekend.

Kind regards,

Mrs Stibbon, Mrs Stephens and the Great Massingham team

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