



Newsletter:

Friday 27th September



Dear Parents

MACMILLAN CAKE SALE

The children had a fantastic time preparing for the Macmillan cake sale after school today, we raised an amazing £156.29! Thank you!



HARVEST FESTIVAL - SUNDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER

Just a reminder that the Harvest Festival church service will take place on Sunday 29th September at 10.30. Thank you to everyone who has returned their forms, we are so pleased that so many of you can join us at the service. There is no need to wear uniform, and your child/ren can sit with you during the service until they are called to the front to sing.

We are quite short of helpers on Monday morning, so if anyone is available to help prepare the boxes for delivery please contact the office.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Tempest photography are visiting the school on **Tuesday 1 October** to take individual photos of all the children. If you do not wish your child to be included please contact the office.

ROTARY CLUB

Following our parents' generosity last year, we have been approached by the Great Missenden Rotary Club and asked to participate in this year's Rotary shoe box appeal.

The Rotary Club has supplied the flat pack boxes to be filled by our families.

Once the filled boxes are returned to school, they are then collected by the Rotary Club who sends them to Romania and other Eastern European countries where the need among the very poor is still very great.

Full information of the national scheme can be found on www.rotaryshoobox.org. The boxes will go out at the beginning of next week and must be returned to school by **Tuesday 22nd October**. If you are not able to fill your box this year please can you return it to school so that it can be passed back to the rotary club for future use.



FILM FRIDAY

Save the date: Our first Film Friday of the year will be after school on 18th October. More information will follow shortly. All money raised from this event will go towards funding Chef who works with our children on Thursday afternoons.

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CURRICULM MEETINGS

Thank you to everyone who attended the curriculum meetings, and for those who completed feedback forms, it is incredibly useful for us to have your feedback so that we can improve the quality of the information we give you.

The vast majority of feedback given agreed that the meetings were informative, gave the required information, and found the opportunity to ask questions helpful. I would like to take this opportunity to answer some of the questions/comment we received:

Can we have the curriculum meeting earlier, or even at the end of the previous year? – *We try to arrange these as early as possible into term, allowing classes to settle in with their new teachers first. However, we will consider holding it the previous year, which we already do for the reception new starters. We wonder, however, if that would be too early for many?*

Can curriculum meetings be before the homework starts? – *This is a valid point; we will make sure we do not start homework until after the meeting next year.*

Can we have stay and play sessions/opportunities for the parents to come in and see the learning environment? *We intend to introduce stay and play sessions again in the EYFS, and will let you know when we have dates/times. With regards Year 1 and 2, staff will make sure we plan in some time for this, for example, at the beginning or end of a day, where you can come in and share what your child/ren have been learning.*

Information on pastoral development? *There are pages on our [website](#) on our wellbeing and values pages, if there is information you feel should be added please let us know.*

Can we have separate Year 1 and 2 meetings? – *Much of the information given is the same for both Year 1 and 2 so is delivered in the same meeting, however, we will hold a SATs meeting for Year 2 parents later in the year.*

Can you send out info by email for others who can't make it? – *We always upload the slides onto the class pages on the website, this year's slides have already been uploaded.*

Club info – it would be good to have more time to work out which groups to sign up for - *As these are run by external providers, we send out the information as soon as we receive it from the provider. Some clubs send this out themselves. However, in most cases it is possible, if space allows, to start later in the term. (We currently have space in Kickboxing, Dance & Tennis)*

Can we have a copy of the class timetables? – *These are available on the class pages of our website.*

MESSAGE FROM OWL CLASS TEACHERS

'Please can you bring in any cereal boxes for our DT project. We still need lots more!'

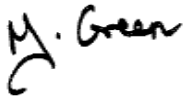
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Please take a moment to look at the forthcoming events:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
Sunday 29th September	Harvest Festival Service, Little Missenden Church
Monday 30th September	Year 2 deliver harvest gifts
Tuesday 1st October	Individual photos – Tempest Photography
Friday 18th October	Film Friday
Tuesday 22 October	Deadline for Rotary Club Shoe boxes
Friday 28th October	Half Term Begins, school closes at 3pm
Monday 4th November	School re-opens
Wednesday 4th December	Flu Vaccination, all years
Thursday 5th December	Nativity Performance 1.15pm
Friday 6th December	Nativity Performance 9.15am

If you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to get in touch, or pop into the office.

Warm regards



Mrs Green
Head Teacher

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