

Finedon Schools Weekly Newsletter

Friday 3rd July 2026



YEAR FIVE VISIT TO HOLDENBY HOUSE

On Monday, our Year Five pupils enjoyed a visit to Holdenby House as part of their history learning. Throughout the day, they took part in engaging workshops, discovering more about wartime rationing and the importance of the 'Make Do and Mend' campaign.

They also experienced what it would have sounded like during an air raid, bringing their learning to life in an exciting and immersive way.

We were incredibly impressed by the fantastic effort the children made with their wartime costumes, which added to the atmosphere of the day. It was a memorable and enriching educational visit.



ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to the following infant classes who achieved over 96% attendance this week:

Peacock and Puffin Classes

Congratulations to the following junior classes who achieved over 96% attendance this week:

Woodpecker, Kingfisher and Starling Classes

STARS OF THE WEEK

Due to today's transition day there were no celebration assemblies today and therefore no stars of the week or achievements out of school to report.

MUSICAL SUCCESS

One of our Year Four students, Elliot-James has successfully auditioned for and been cast in *Lost is Found: A Summertime Musical Adventure*.

A local community theatre production by Compass Theatre Company, which will be performed at The Castle Theatre, Wellingborough.

We wish you all the very best of luck in your performances!



NEXT WEEK'S NEWSLETTER

Please note that due to the Summer Fair there will not be a newsletter next week. Our final newsletter of the year will be published on Friday 17th July.

PUPIL END OF YEAR REPORTS

Class teachers have been busy writing end-of-year reports for all pupils. We will start sending these out next week and we aim for all to have been sent by the end of the school day on Friday 10th July.

If you have not received your child's report by Monday 13th July, please let us know. If you would like to discuss the report, please contact the school office to make an appointment.

CONGRATULATIONS

We are delighted to share that Miss Blissett gave birth to her baby on 1st July.

Congratulations to Miss Blissett and her partner - both mum and baby Aria are doing well, and we look forward to meeting her soon!



BIKEABILITY

Many of our Year 5 children took part in Bikeability training this week, learning how to ride safely and confidently on the roads. They practised key cycling techniques, improved their hazard awareness and learnt how to make safe decisions in real-life traffic situations.

A huge thank you to the Bikeability instructors for delivering the excellent training and to all the children for their enthusiasm, determination and hard work throughout the week.





NURSERY ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS VISIT

On Wednesday, the Nursery welcomed a very special visitor. Andrea's Animal Encounters attended the setting bringing lots of unusual animals that the children had never seen before. The children met and where they felt comfortable to, handled baby mice, a tortoise named Hermione, Twinkletoes the tarantula, Amy the python and Cece the bearded dragon!

We were impressed with how well the children listened, learning about the animals, where they live and what they like to eat.

A special thanks to Friends of Finedon School (FoFS) for funding this experience.



FLAMINGO CLASS ASSEMBLY

This week Flamingo Class enjoyed sharing their learning with their families in an assembly.

It was a great opportunity for children to perform in front of an audience and lovely to see how much they have grown in confidence throughout the year, demonstrating their readiness for the next year group!





We would like to say thank you to Reverend Yvonne and one of our school governors, Mrs Clarke, for organising the event and to all the volunteers from St. Mary's Church who helped to make it so successful. They commented on the excellent behaviour, positive engagement and thoughtful comments of the pupils.



PRAYER SPACE

On Tuesday we held a prayer space event at the Junior School aimed at encouraging children to reflect at the various stations about transition. Each station invited them to wonder, reflect, and express themselves in a creative way, through simple actions and activities.

At the end of the day children were invited to bring their family members to experience the space and it was lovely to see the children explaining all the stations to their parents.

TRANSITION DAYS

We are delighted with how well the children transitioned to their September class for the day today. Both schools were extremely calm with children positively engaging with their new teachers and peers! They should all be extremely proud of themselves!

Our reception team enjoyed getting to know their new children and their families and are looking forward to further transition activities over the next two weeks.



WATER SAFETY

Dan from Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service visited the Junior School this week to share important information on how to keep safe near water.

It is vital that children appreciate the danger of swimming in open water, and it would be helpful if families could remind children of this, particularly during periods of warm weather.

We have included the Water Safety Code at the end of the newsletter.



PCSO PHIL DOBSON VISIT

On Monday the Junior School had a surprise visit from PCSO Phil Dobson. He enjoyed wandering around the playground at lunchtime and interacting with the children and staff. We hope he will come back and visit again soon!





SPORTS DAY

As you are aware due to the extreme heat we had to postpone our sports day for both schools to the following dates:

Junior School – Wednesday 8th July 9:30am – 11:30am

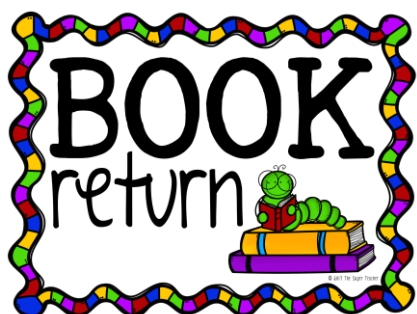
Infant School – Thursday 9th July 9:15am – 11:15am



BOOK RETURN

As we approach the end of the school year, please could you check at home for any school library books or levelled reading books that haven't yet been returned.

Returning all borrowed books helps us prepare for the new school year and ensures that they are available for other children to enjoy. Thank you for your support with this.



SUMMER FAIR

Thank you very much for all your generous donations for the Rainbow Raffle at the Summer Fair. We are looking forward to seeing everybody at the Fair, taking place from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. at the Junior School on Friday 10th July.

Please ensure that raffle ticket stubs and payment is returned to either school by Wednesday 8th July at the latest. Additional books can be requested from either school office or purchased at the Summer Fair. The raffle will be drawn at the end of the Summer Fair.

Our dance club from each school will perform at 4:00 p.m.

There will be good quality second hand uniform available at the fair.

Refreshments include burgers and hot dogs from our BBQ, hot and cold drinks and ice creams.

If you have any dietary requirements and would like to purchase something from our BBQ, we will be able to accommodate this on a pre-order basis only. Please email your order to Finedon.fofs@flet.org.uk by 8th July to allow us enough time to arrange this.



ORDERING SCHOOL UNIFORM

Should you need any new uniform ready for the start of next year, please order through our uniform provider, KS Schoolwear using the following website: <https://ksschoolwear.co.uk>

Our schools can be accessed by going to 'Find Your School' and choosing the relevant school's badge.

Alternatively, second-hand uniform is available from each school – please contact the school office if you are interested in this.

Please see the uniform policy for each school on our website.

[FIS Uniform Policy](#)

[FMJS Uniform Policy](#)

APPLE TREE CLUB

Booking is now open for the Summer Holidays at Apple Tree Club.

You are able to book 7:45 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. for £25.00 which includes breakfast or 9:00 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. for £22.00.

Places need to be booked and paid for in advance using the Arbor Parent Portal.

A reminder that all contact to Apple Tree Club staff should be made by phoning or texting the Apple Tree Club phone on 07766 978374 or by emailing the club Manager, Caralyn Cox on caralyn.cox@iflt.org.uk.



SAFEGUARDING

All children have the right to grow up and learn in a safe and secure environment. If you have a safeguarding concern, please contact one of our designated safeguarding leads, listed below.

Mrs Joanne Lloyd-Williams	head@finedonmulso.northants-ecl.gov.uk
Miss Lucy Sadler	lucy.sadler@lflet.org.uk
Miss Felicity Pettitt	felicity.pettitt@lflet.org.uk
Mrs Jen Reed	jen.reed@lflet.org.uk
Miss Katherine Ratcliffe	katherine.ratcliffe@lflet.org.uk
Mrs Caralyn Cox (for Apple Tree Club)	caralyn.cox@lflet.org.uk

- 01933 680433 (Junior School)
- 01933 680467 (Infant School)

If you are worried about a child outside of school time you can call the local Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub for advice (anonymously if needs be) on 0300 126 7000 or 0300 126 1000.

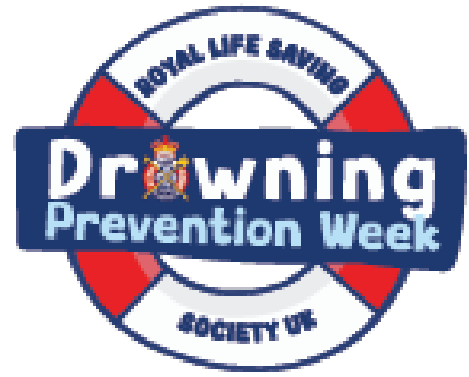


DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please see **below** key dates for you to be aware of: **New dates are shown in red font.**

Date	What's on
Week beginning 6 th July	End of year reports issued
Wednesday 8 th July 9:30am – 11:30am	FMJS Sports morning
Thursday 9 th July 9:15am – 11:15am	FIS sports morning
Friday 10 th July	Summer Fair
Tuesday 14 th July – evening	Year Six Production
Wednesday 15th July 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Nursery End of Term Parent Event
Wednesday 15 th July - evening	Year Six Production
Thursday 16 th July 9:30 a.m.	Year Six Celebration
Thursday 16 th July	Y6 Bowling trip
Friday 17 th July	Last day of the academic year
Thursday 3 rd September	First day of the new academic year

ALWAYS FOLLOW THE WATER SAFETY CODE



Whenever you are around water:

STOP AND THINK STAY TOGETHER

Take time to assess your surroundings.
Look for the dangers and always research local signs and advice.



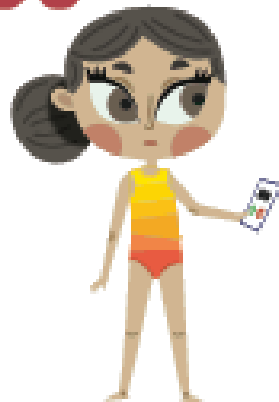
When around water always go with friends or family.
Swim at a lifeguarded venue.



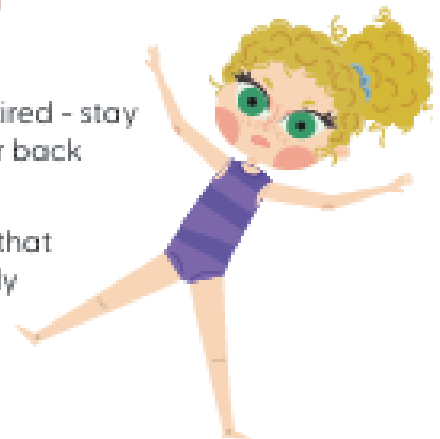
In an emergency:

CALL 999 FLOAT

If you are at the coast, call 999 and ask for the Coastguard.
Don't enter the water to rescue.



Fall in or become tired - stay calm, float on your back and call for help.
Throw something that floats to somebody that has fallen in.



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U8'S



PASSION
ON THE PITCH



TEAMWORK
OFF THE PITCH



DISCIPLINE
EVERY DAY



COMMITMENT
IN EVERY GAME

BE PART OF
SOMETHING
BIGGER.



ALL POSITIONS. ALL ABILITIES.
ONE TEAM.



TRAINING
WEDNESDAY'S
@ HUXLOW ACADEMY
IRTHLINGBOROUGH
6PM - 7PM



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