



# Fishbourne C E Primary School

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## Families Newsletter 10

Dear Families,

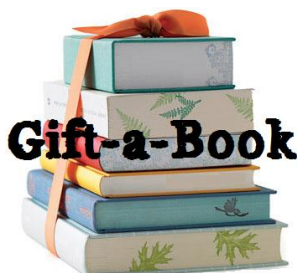
As we settle back into new routines in school and find our feet in this new stage of the pandemic, it is good to take time to reflect. Over the last 365 days our learning community has navigated an extraordinary time, adapting to each new stage by working together as a team to make some remarkable things happen. Our learning behaviours in school have never ever been more significant! Courage, determination, positivity, reflection and collaboration - each behaviour so key to learning and playing effectively together. We have seen these behaviours in bucket loads in so many different contexts and it is wonderful to celebrate them in our Golden Learner assemblies each week.



Working closely in partnership with families is something we are passionate at Fishbourne Primary and we have been very grateful to those families who have been in touch to let us know how their children have settled back in. Some children have bounced back in and picked up exactly where they left off, others have found this transition bumpier and are taking a little while to settle back in. Do keep in touch with us and let us know if you are in need of any support. We have a lovely collection of books in school, funded by Fishbourne Church, which explore themes of worry and anxiety which we are available for loan if you would like to use them with children at home.

As we start preparing for the summer term, we have some exciting opportunities we are in the initial stages of planning for the children. Each class will have two Forest School Friday's with our friends at Chichester Forest School in the secret garden. We know how much our children love Forest School and what a valuable time it is for them to connect with each other and the environment outside of the classroom. Each class will also be invited to attend an additional Multi-Skills Sports Club each week run by South Coasts Sports with the rest of the children in their bubble. This club will take place either before or after school and give the children a lovely opportunity to take part in a range of sports during the summer term. Details about these opportunities will be ready before the end of term.

Today we celebrate World Down Syndrome Day in school by inviting the children to 'rock their socks' - it was lovely to see the wonderful array of colours and patterns on the path this morning and the smiles to match! We are so proud of all the children who come to our school and the contributions each and every one of our children bring to make our learning community such a warm, friendly place. When asked why they were rocking their socks to school today, Joshy in Hippo class explained beautifully: **'We are wearing our odd socks because everyone is unique in their own way and we are all special.'**



Each day this week we have received deliveries of books that you have donated to our school library! **A huge thank you** to each family who has so generously gifted to us. At Fishbourne, we LOVE to read and inspire our children to devour great books! We would **love** your children to grow up with the same love of books that is shared by so many of us! Keeping our library and classrooms fully stocked with books is really important and so we invite you to donate a book to our school library if you possibly can. We will put a special bookplate into the book



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thanking your family for your donation to our school. We have set up an Amazon Wish List from which you can support us in this way are able to do so:

<https://amzn.eu/j1dFX85>

### Friends of Fishbourne School (FOFS)

Our wonderful FOFS team have been busily thinking of different ways to raise money for our school and have come up with some fabulous fundraisers for this half term!

**Name the Easter bunny competition** - Think of 3 names with your child to win a fluffy Easter bunny! Complete the form and payment of £1.50 to enter via parentmail. Entries by 9am on 31<sup>st</sup> March and the draw will take place on 1<sup>st</sup> April.

**Easter Wreath Raffle** - The very talented Linda Pollard (school Governor) has kindly created 5 beautiful Easter wreaths, that can be used again each year. Tickets are just £2 each, purchased via parentmail. Entries by 9am on 31<sup>st</sup> March and the draw will take place on 1<sup>st</sup> April.



**Make or bake your Easter creation!** - FOFS would love to see what amazing Easter or Spring inspired creations you can come up over the Easter holidays. Entries are free; just send your photo to [FOFS@fishbourneprimary.co.uk](mailto:FOFS@fishbourneprimary.co.uk) by 19<sup>th</sup> April. Two Easter eggs will be awarded per class for the best creations! More details to follow via parentmail shortly.

### A reminder of a couple of key dates:

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March: Wear non-uniform and donate £1+ to Comic Relief via parentmail.

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April: Fishbourne 'world' Book Day. Dress up as a superhero, inspired by Sophy Henn's new superhero themed series, Pizazz.

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April: Break up for the Easter holiday.

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April: Return to school for the start of the summer term

*During the week beginning 19<sup>th</sup> April, we will be holding 'Meet the Teacher' meetings via Zoom for you to find out what's happening in the term ahead. More details to follow in future newsletters.*

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> April: FOFS meeting - all warmly welcome!

After the Easter break, we will be returning to our usual format of monthly school newsletters.

Have a lovely weekend!

Naomi Day

