



Lower Farm Weekly



Friday 5th November 2021

Congratulations to everyone for another amazing week and well done to those who have particularly stood out for displaying our school values this week.



Beech Class:

Enzo Integrity
Suyen Achievement

Cherry Class:

Leia Resilience
Poppy Achievement

Elder Class:

Xander Resilience
Lochie Resilience

Attendance

For week beginning 1st November:

Beech Class: 78.0%

Cherry Class: 97.7%

Elder Class: 80.9%

Congratulations Cherry class with an attendance of 97.7%. It would be great to see who will be on top next week.

Miss Crickmore is Getting Married!

After a long wait and cancelled dates due to Covid-19 we can finally say many congratulations to Miss Crickmore who gets married this weekend. We hope you will join us in wishing her and her husband to be every happiness for the future together. When she returns next week, she will do so as Mrs Dale.

School Dinners

Chartwells who supply our school dinners will be launching some 'Top Trump' style playing cards next week which the children can collect and enjoy playing and learning about a healthy balanced diet. There is further information attached to this newsletter. We hope the children enjoy collecting and using them.

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 9th November: Flu Immunisation for all year groups

Thursday 11th November - 2.30pm - Read Write Inc. workshop for Year 1 parents

Homework

Thank you to parents/carers who took the time to complete the feedback form online after our recent parent/carer meetings before half term. The main feedback we received was surrounding homework. Homework will be sent home on a Friday and is expected back the following Friday to give families time including a weekend to complete it.

We aim to create an approach to homework that enables children to reinforce their classroom learning at home and give parents/carers the opportunity to help their child to make improved progress in their learning. In doing this we also strive to ensure that homework does not place onerous demands on children and their parents/carers and we recognise that children should be able to take part in other after school activities in order to develop fully in their own areas of interest.

Guidelines for EYFS

- Reading and sharing books daily; adults to keep a signed record in the Reading Diary.
- Half-termly 'Learning Menus' – ideas linked to the half term's learning journey for parents/carers to try at home and post photos and comments on Tapestry.
- Children may be given additional 'top-up' practice of phonic sounds and/or common exception words.

Guidelines for KS1

Reading/sharing books with parents/carers (including verbal questioning) at least 3 times a week and keep a signed record in the Reading Diary.

- Half-termly 'Learning Menus' – ideas linked to the half term's learning journey for parents/carers to try at home to research/support learning in school.
- Children will be given a list of spellings to learn which will follow the spelling patterns taught in their phased groups or linked to curriculum.
- A piece of written maths or grammar homework.

Bonfire Night

We hope you all enjoy a safe and enjoyable bonfire night this weekend. We have spoken with the children in assembly about wearing gloves and having a bucket of water or sand at the ready to put out sparklers as well as staying a safe distance away from bonfires and fireworks. Please do enjoy yourselves, stay safe and have a lovely weekend.



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Beech Class

This week Beech Class have been learning about the Hindu celebration of Diwali. We learnt about Rama and Sita and how special Diwa lamps are because they helped them find their way home. We then made our own Diwa lamps and lanterns to represent the festival of light. We also learnt a special dance that incorporated all the different ways that Diwali is celebrated. This is the children doing the 'flower' move because they are used to decorate homes. Another fabulous week of learning Reception!



Cherry Class



This week we have started our new topic learning about Queen Elizabeth I and II. The children have been looking at money to see the Queens face and the children had fun sitting on the throne and wearing the crown!



Elder Class

This week in Elder Class, we have been learning how to measure length and height in centimetres (cm) and meters (m). We learnt that there are 100cm in 1 meter and even got chance to measure some of our teachers. We have loved using rulers and tape measures to measure various other objects in the classroom too. Well done Year 2!



**COLLECT FOOD
SUPER HERO
PLAYING CARDS
WHEN YOU EAT
WITH US!**

Collect one Food
Super Hero
playing card each
day when you eat
with us from 8th
November - 12th
November



then collect a Food
Super Hero playing
card each Thursday
when you eat with
us from 18th
November - 9th
December

DON'T FORGET!
**SCHOOL MEALS ARE FREE FOR ALL PUPILS IN
RECEPTION, YEAR 1 OR YEAR 2.**

THE FOOD SUPER HERO PLAYING CARD CAMPAIGN

What is the Food Super Hero Playing Card Campaign?

- A 5-week campaign from 8th November - 9th December aimed at increasing the uptake of school meals

How does it work?

- Between 8th November - 12th November provide each pupil eating with us one Super Food Hero playing card with their lunch
- Every Thursday from 18th November - 9th December provide each pupil eating with us a Food Super Hero playing card with their lunch
- The Food Super Hero playing cards should be mixed up prior to handing them to the pupils to ensure all designs are in circulation
- Gold "Star Cards" have been included which can be handed out to children by teachers as a reward for doing something amazing, showing an act of kindness, excelling in the classroom or playground. Please hand these cards to your headteacher



What do you do before the launch?

- Ensure that you have received your allocation of Food Super Hero playing cards
- Ensure that the cards are mixed up to ensure all designs are in circulation
- Place A4 posters by Reception or in a prominent place in the dining room





Growing Brighter Futures



Lower Farm Academy is a new primary school in Nuneaton. Our brand new, purpose built site is now open and everyone is welcome to find out what we have been up to so far. Please look at our website and Facebook or contact us for a chat about our school and our admissions process. Hopefully we will have the opportunity to show you around in person on one of the following dates, but you can also contact the school office to organise another viewing if needed:

Date	Time
Wednesday 20 th October	09:30-11:30
Thursday 21 st October	16:30-17:30
Wednesday 17 th November	09:30-11:30
Thursday 18 th November	16:30-17:30
Wednesday 8 th December	09:30-11:30
Thursday 9 th December	16:30-17:30



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