



*'Be safe, be kind.  
Listen and think a lot.  
Be your best!'*



# *The Perryfield Post*

## *Cheerleading Competition*

Over the last four Friday mornings, twelve children, along with Mrs Bowen have been coming into school early. These twelve children were selected to be in the very first Perryfields Infants Cheerleading Team. All of the children worked extremely hard to learn a Perryfields chant.

*"Perryfields Infants Maroon and gold,*

*We may be little but we are bold,*

*We're giving it a go,*

*It's our first time here.*

*So if you like what you see  
then give us a cheer—GO  
PERRYFIELDS!"*

Seven teams entered the competition and I'm very proud to say that we came 2nd. All of the children were extremely excited to receive their 2nd place medals.



*(with thanks to Ms Champ for the photograph).*

More photos and a video are on the school website.



Congratulations to Amy, Minerva, Isobel, Shrivas, Joshua, Layla, Maisie, Phoebe A, Makayla, Mollie, Amari and Roxy.

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#### ***Dates for your diary...***

- 12th Feb—3.05 to 3.45 p.m. Open Afternoon—ALL parents welcome to come and look at their children's work.
- 14th Feb—Last afterschool teacher club
- 15th Feb—Emerald class assembly 9.15 a.m.
- 15th Feb—Last Day
- HALF TERM
- 25th Feb—Back to school
- 1st March—Assessment workshop at 9.15 a.m.
- 1st March—2 p.m. FIPS meeting all welcome.
- 7th March—World Book Day (details to follow)
- 11th March—Science Week (details to follow)
- 27th March—5.30-7.30pm All parents invited to on-line safety training. (Please save the date)
- 29th March—9.15am Sapphire Class assembly
- 29th March—FIPS Easter Disco (tbc)
- 1st April—4-6.30pm Parents Evening
- 3rd April—6-8.30pm Parents Evening
- 5th April—Last Day of Term
- 23rd April—INSET DAY (no children)
- 24th April—Children back to school

## *Chinese New Year*

Last Friday we welcomed Ling a Chinese dancer into school. Ling is an experienced dancer who regularly goes into schools to teach children key skills of Chinese dancing. All of the children were lucky enough to experience how to dance with ribbons and large fans. All of the children behaved excellently and everyone was happy to take part. I was extremely impressed at the children's rhythm and control. I would like to thank Miss Newland for organising this extra-curricular event. In class, all of the children learnt about the Chinese New Year story which explained how the years got their animal names through a race. Some of the older children produced some excellent extended stories and even wanted to

finish them during Golden Time! (Please see more photos on the school website and headteacher's blog).



# The Big Question



The BIG QUESTION this week is 'How do you feel when you are lied to?'

We have linked this to our Core Value of HONESTY. I have seen a positive response to this Core Value with children owning up to things and generally being more honest. Please discuss this further at home.

## SUPPORTING YOUR CHILDREN AT HOME

Over the last couple of weeks I have been hearing several children from various classes read. It is wonderful to see how their phonics skills and reading fluency has increased in addition to their reading comprehension.

At school, especially in Year 1 and Year 2 the key focus for the teachers is reading comprehension. This entails the children reading in small groups and answering questions on the text.

There is however an expectation that on top of this that all children will be reading to an adult or older

sibling at home at least five times a week. This regular reading is a necessity to help develop their reading skills and to reach the expected standard for their age. Please can I remind everyone to always write in their child's reading diary each time they read a book/comic/magazine etc. The children who have been reading regularly at home have made good progress.

Writing, spelling and maths also need additional support at home. Please make regular time (little but often) to look at the Common Exception Words/spellings and homework

that the teachers have given out.

At the next parents consultation evenings all parents/carers will be given next step targets on their child's progress cards that you can work together on with your child.

Thank you for supporting your child. I know that by working together the children will continue to make progress.



## QUIZ NIGHT

After such a fun evening in the summer, the FIPS TEAM are organising another quiz night to help raise funds for F.I.P.S. and would love for as many parents/carers and your friends/family to come along for a fun evening.

The quiz is being held at the Beaulieu Community Centre Hall, with arrivals from 7.30pm and the quiz starting promptly at 8.00pm. The ticket for the event is priced at £10 which will include a basket meal of either Fish and Chips, Sausage and Chips or Veggie Nuggets and Chips supplied from Churchills in Beaulieu.

Deadline is **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February** and any profit made will be put towards further equipment for the school.

Everyone is then welcome to bring their own beverages and snacks for the evening. Please see the FIPS Quiz Night letter to return your teams.

## CORE VALUES

This term we asked parents/carers to think about the Core Values that we want to instil in our young children. I would like to say that we had a fantastic response confirming that the majority of people were happy with the current values. There were however some other excellent suggestions which we will be discussing as a whole staff. Once the Core Values have been decided I will report back.

Many thanks.