



4th March 2022

Our Value for this half-term is **COMMUNITY**

Sports for Schools

We were very excited to announce this week that **Olympic Athlete Lucy Renshall** will be visiting our school on **Tuesday 15th March** to lead the children in our sponsored fitness circuits. She will also be hosting an assembly which includes plenty of opportunity to ask her questions, so the children need to get their thinking caps on about what they would like to know. We are certain it will be an exciting and inspiring day for everyone.

We would also ask you to encourage your children to collect sponsorship, over the next couple of weeks, from friends and family, as this money will benefit both GB athletes but also provide money to our school that can be spent on exciting new sports equipment for the children to use.

You can set up an online sponsorship page by following the link below or use the paper form that was sent home in school bags earlier this week. <https://portal.sportsforschools.org/events/17806/promo>

All money collected needs be brought into the office no later than 1 week after the event.

Thank you for your support of this event.

Aid to Ukraine

One of our parents works for Oakland International, a local company that is funding 50 lorries and drivers to deliver essential food items and aid directly to those in need in Ukraine, and he is appealing to parents for donations to help fill these trucks. They are looking for donations of power banks, torches with batteries, blankets, sleeping mats and sleeping bags, duvet/pillows (new), thermal blankets, towels (new), personal hygiene products (such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, liquid soap, shampoo, toilet paper, sanitary products, nappies etc), electric kettles, plastic cups, plates and cutlery, rubbish bags, first aid products (bandages, pasters etc), food items (similar to food bank donations) and bottled water.

For more information you can follow this link <https://www.itv.com/news/central/2022-03-02/how-can-people-in-the-midlands-help-ukrainians-following-russias-invasion>

If you would like to help, please drop any donations to the school office and they will be taken daily to Oakland International.

WELL DONE!

A huge well done to Lacey in our Kingfishers class who made the papers this week in recognition of all her hard work litter picking in her local park with her brother. Lacey wanted to do something to help the environment and, I am sure you will agree, this is an impressive demonstration of this term's value of Community. We are all very proud of you!



Arriving at School on Time

We are again seeing increasing numbers of children arriving after the 8.40am bell. Please could we ask parents to ensure your child(ren) arrive at school on time. Learning starts the minute we start our day and a child arriving late doesn't just affect the individual child's learning but also causes disruption to the whole class.

Thank you.



Advanced Warning

Winfields have warned us that they will be resurfacing their car park on **Thursday 10th and Friday 11th March**. Unfortunately, the car park will be closed on these days so parents and carers will be unable to use the carpark for drop off and collection. Staff are working on a plan to help with the lack of parking on both days, so please look out for a letter early next week with the details. Thank you.

FoFS Update

Welcome back, hope everyone has had a great first week back.

Before half term FoFS met to look at what events we could put on throughout the rest of the year and there were loads of fantastic ideas, so keep a look out for exciting news to follow.

The first date for your diary is **Friday 1st April** when we will be holding another fabulous **Quiz and Curry Night**; the last one held was a fabulous success - a great night out for all who came. Further details on how to buy tickets will be in the FoFS newsletter early next week and hopefully we can have lots of teams to challenge the existing champions - The Teachers!

Other ideas include a Jubilee Family Day to be held in early June as well as Easter celebrations for the children and we will look to launch our next major development for the school which will be the fundraising target for the coming months.

Thank you as always for your support

FoFS Team.