

Swing Gate News 5th Oct 2016



Diary Dates

OCTOBER 2016

Fri 7th Oct 8.45 am
FoSG - AGM

Fri 7th Oct 2.45 pm
FoSG - Tea & Cakes

Sun 9th Oct by appoin't
FoSG - Photos by Carrie

Tues 18th Oct
Nursery Train Trip

Wed 19th Oct
NSPCC Assembly

Fri 21st Oct
Staff INSET

HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Mon 31st Oct
Children return to school

NOVEMBER 2016

Thurs 3rd Nov 9.30am
Rec Open Morning

Fri 4th Nov
Bonfire themed lunch

Fri 4th Nov 3.10pm
FoSG - Y1 & Y2 Magician
& Disco

Tues 8th Nov
School Karate

Tues 15th Nov 9.30am
Rec Open Morning

Fri 18th Nov 7.30pm FoSG
Quiz Night

Thurs 24th Nov
FoSG - Dress down day –
bring a bottle

Fri 25th Nov
Occasional Day

HARVEST

On Thursday 6th October the whole school will be walking to St Peter's Church. If possible could you please bring in donations for DENS and they will be left in the Church for the homeless people in Dacorum. Thank you for the donations so far.

Children will be singing their Harvest songs. A parent will be playing for us on entry and leaving the church and some Year 2 children will be sharing their Harvest poems.



Skip to B fit

Adult and children alike all 'Skipped to be Fit' yesterday. We hope to improve our Personal Best (PB) week by week.

Mrs Glass won the 2 minute challenge. She pipped Mrs Gallagher to the post with 241 skips! She is officially our fittest teacher!

FOUNDATION STAGE

Children in Foundation stage have been very active... They have been inspired by Mr Miller to participate in team and individual sports.



They have also been making fresh bread as part of their learning about Harvest.



It was great to see the children role playing traditional stories. Can you guess the story?



The starting grid for lifelong learning.

PAUSE for THOUGHT

'The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go.'

*From Dr. Seuss,
I Can Read With My Eyes Shut!*

REPTILES VISIT YEAR 1

Year 1 children continue to be amazed at the animals that they have seen in their classroom. Thanks to Mr Halsey they were able to meet a snake and a frog.



Some children and teachers were given the chance to stroke the reptiles. They are not slimy... really!!

UNIVERSAL Free School Meals

Did you know that the school receives a Pupil Premium payment of £1300 per child for all children that are eligible? We will be sending out a letter to all families this week and we would appreciate you completing it and returning it to school.

Parent help, please...

On Friday 7th October at 8.45am the **Friends of Swing Gate** are holding their AGM. I hope that many of you will be able to attend and join the wonderful group of parents who volunteer their time and effort to raise funds for projects that enrich the children's learning. We need many more of you to support their fantastic work.

Parent View In addition, we would like to hear your views on "what we do well" and "what would be better if...." I am sure that there are parents who would be able to give some of their time and talk to us and be a class representative. Some parents have already contacted us expressing an interest but more volunteers are needed. Ideally we would like to have 2 representatives from each class. Can you help? Come and talk to me at the FoSG AGM on Friday morning.

Governors are need to support with the smooth running of the school. We are looking for any parent with building expertise please.

SOS We would welcome willing volunteers to fill our skip, items need to be dismantled first!

*Francesca Gallagher (Mrs)
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