



# The Flying Falcon

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## Headmaster

This week has been a whirlwind but our noses have been to the grind stone nonetheless. The boys arrived on Monday after a rather long half term and were greeted by their beautiful new playground. This was in part designed by the school council. It has brought a bit of colour and character to the area and it will certainly bring in a few less bumps and scrapes to the office due to the softer surfaces. We are very grateful to Alpha Plus for agreeing to and installing our many requests. The tiles at the front of the school were not as much of a hit with the boys as they have been with the parents and I find them particularly impressive.

Congratulations to Mr Barrett who successfully completed his first marathon in 3hrs and 49 minutes which is very impressive to say the least, raising over £1000 for our school charity, Marine Conservation Society. What a fantastic role model for our boys and staff, thank you to everyone who sponsored him. Mrs Malik and Mrs Thompson have started their maternity leave and we wish them the best of luck with the new additions to their families. Miss Bonnett brought her daughter into school today and it was lovely to meet baby Kaliyah. The Falcons family is growing rapidly. Mrs Hainsworth will take over from Mrs Thompson as Head of Year 1, Mrs Barker Head of English, Mr Barrett Head of Geography and Mr Murphy Head of History. I am very pleased to have staff who are willing and able to take on these added responsibilities whilst Mrs Malik and Mrs Thompson are on maternity leave.

On Wednesday the boys dressed up in Halloween costumes which were very scary. I greeted a nursery boy on the stairs and asked him if his costume was a penguin, thinking to myself how sweet, he was most unimpressed and informed me he was a killer whale! It was so lovely to see many of our Reception mums and dads join their sons for Magic Breakfast on Wednesday to support our Brookwoods charity. Our Year 2 boys played Finton House at football today and represented themselves and their school very well. Please remember that next week on Thursday we will be holding parent consultations for the whole school. If you have not already booked a slot with Mrs Chubb in the office, please do so. These meetings are with your son's class tutor and his books will be available for you to see before the meeting, so please arrive early to go through them. Specialists will not be present on this occasion but Mrs Llewellyn will be available for any boys in her department. We will run a crèche as usual. We have sent out our 2017 – 2018 Year Book in book bags today. We hope that you will enjoy them as much as we have.

If I did not get to see you at the gate today have a wonderful weekend and please remind your sons about staying safe around the fireworks and sparklers this weekend.

## General News

### The Week Ahead

- 8th Nov - PA Bake Sale  
8th Nov - Year 2 parent consultations 4pm-7pm

### Advance notice

- w/c 12th Nov - Anti-bullying week  
14th Nov - Year 2 grandparents tea party

### ADMIN

#### Breakfast Club – 7:45 to 8:00.

Please make sure that you drop your son off on time as we clean up at 8 o'clock.

Please use [admin@falconsboys.co.uk](mailto:admin@falconsboys.co.uk) for any office related messages.

*If you have any spare shorts or long trousers that are no longer needed, please pass them to the School Office as they will be gratefully received and used in the event of any accidents!*

### Comments from our Head Boy Leonardo:

I hope everyone enjoyed Halloween this week. We also enjoyed looking at all of the respect models/posters and project work for British Values. Have a lovely weekend.



**Head Boy:**  
Leonardo  
**Deputy Head Boy:**  
Bavo



**Mrs Bnidar is taking bookings for Carrot and Nibbles at weekends and during the holidays!**

The boys have jumped straight back into school life and have impressed us with how well they have remembered the school rules. We can see how hard they have been working over the holidays, the boys are all getting much better at writing their name and recognising letters and numbers.

Next week, we will be celebrating Bonfire Night and Diwali. If you have any special items related to Diwali we would love you to share them with us. We will also continue our nature play in the park, so PLEASE REMEMBER wellies and coats on Monday. Now it is getting colder the boys may also bring hats, coats, gloves etc. but please make sure that all of their items are named.

Our focus story for the week will be 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. We will learn the letter 'n' and the number 6. We will also consolidate and recap on previously learnt sounds and numbers. For Show and Tell on **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November** please bring in one item from home beginning with the sound S, A, T, P, I or N. These are the sounds we have already learnt in school, so it would be great if your son could find and identify the item themselves.

Have a great weekend!

## Nursery



## Reception



This half term we will be looking at different celebrations. The first one we had the pleasure of exploring was, *HALLOWEEN!* The boys came dressed to scare, and they didn't disappoint. We spent the week reading spooky stories, carving pumpkins and using our scary voices (check Tapestry). In expressive arts and design, we focused on creating our own 'spin art' fireworks, it got messy, but their final pieces were fantastic!

The boys are flying in literacy. They wrote their first sentence for our class Halloween book, which will be on show in our reading corner. In phonics, we have started looking at digraphs. A digraph is two letters that make one sound, ask the boys (they should hopefully know). We took maths outdoors this week, where we made *tall* towers and *long* snakes and compared their height and length!

We have our parents' evening next week on Thursday, so if you haven't already, please make an appointment to see us with Mrs Chubb in the office.

We hope you have a lovely weekend!



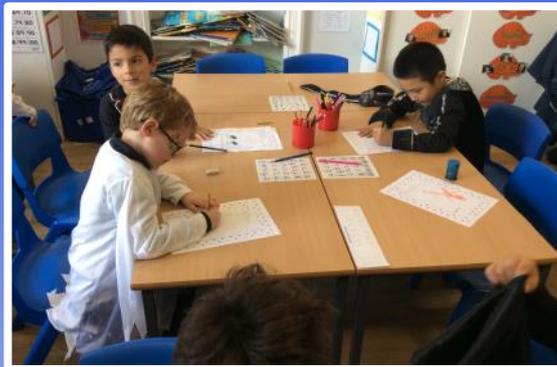
# Year 1

We hope you all had a wonderful and restful half-term. It was great to see all the boys again on Monday morning and to listen as they enthusiastically spoke about their holidays. This week has flown by and it is scary to think how close we are getting to Christmas.

The boys wrote a diary of their half-term holidays in English this week, highlighting their favourite moments and putting the events into chronological order. They also learnt what a verb is; the boys had great fun jumping, singing and clapping as part of this lesson. In maths, our focus has shifted from addition to subtraction – initially they calculated the answers to number problems, and later in the week we explored more complex word problems.

In science, we introduced our new topic 'light and dark' and in geography we've started to think about the landscape of our local area.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend and look forward to seeing you around school next week.



# Year 2



Welcome back to another fun-filled and busy half of term, we hope you had a wonderful rest. The boys enjoyed terrifying the teachers on Wednesday with their frightfully fun costumes for Halloween!

We have been learning how to write instructions this week using the six key features which include imperative verbs and sequence words. The boys have progressed well here. Next week they will put this knowledge to good use as they will be asked to prepare a recipe for their homework.

In mathematics, the boys have sharing their knowledge on the relationship between multiplication and division writing four number sentences using the same set of numbers.

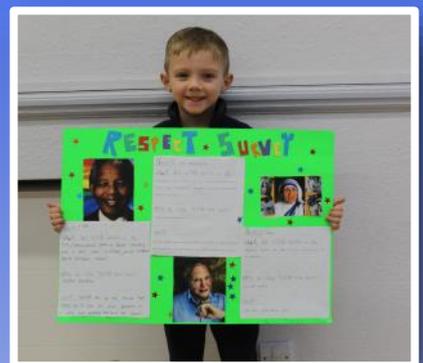
We have started working on our new topics which are electricity and children during the war which we are sure the boys will enjoy learning about.

This month both Kestrels and Merlins will be preparing for class assemblies, so please expect to find some lines for the boys to learn at home in the near future. Parents are invited to watch these performances too.

On Friday, the boys celebrated all of their work on respect for their British Values project. Thank you for supporting the boys in this area. The next project will start today which is called 'Deliver the Democracy'. This value will last for one half of term. You will receive a letter about this today as well as a letter regarding our grandparent's tea party on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November.

We look forward to seeing many of you at parents evening on Thursday.

Have a lovely weekend, wrap up warm!



# Let's Celebrate!



Reception



Year 1



Year 2



Jack  
Archie



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HOUSE POINTS



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## Pitch Side News



### Red house star of the week

Jonny M – for showing such focus in lessons and showing such a passion for being active.

### Yellow house star of the week

Oliver W – for showing a massive increase in attention and effort in his PE lessons.

### Blue house star of the week

Christian – for showcasing great individual and team skills with an unshakably strong mindset!



### Green house star of the week

Shaarav - for sharing his great ideas in PE and Games this week. Great team work.

### Sportsmanship Cup winner of the Week

Daniel M – such a brilliant attitude towards his lesson in PE. Good man!

# Specialist News

## Art

Artist of the week is Al M for his amazing 'spin art' fire-work picture.



## Music

The deadline for the Year 2 Carol Writing competition has been extended to next Thursday (8th November) as boys have asked for a little extra time.



## French

This week, the boys began learning about 'jouets' as their topic, building up to finding out about Christmas in France.



# PA News

Thanks ever so much to everyone who persuaded friends and family to sponsor their Falcons' superhero over half term. There is still time to get sponsoring so please channel your inner philanthropist and donate generously using the following link - <https://bit.ly/2Nk022j>

Thanks to everyone who ordered their son's personalised Christmas cards. The order has now been processed so as soon as we have more information we will update Jumblebee with expected delivery dates.

Next week we have Reception and Year 1 dusting off their aprons for our first "BIG BLUE BAKE SALE" where all the proceeds will be donated to our ocean protecting charity, MCS.

Don't forget to buy your tickets to the PA Christmas Drinks at the Crown & Anchor on Friday 7 December – tickets available at <https://www.jumblebee.co.uk/pachristmasparty>. Thanks again to our very kind sponsors, Templewood Wealth for this year's Christmas entertainment!



To find out more about all the PA has on the boil, please add [www.jumblebee.co.uk/falconsboyspa](https://www.jumblebee.co.uk/falconsboyspa) to your favourites.