

# Newsletter

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## Future dates for the diary for next half-term

- Thu 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov: Firework night (FOMBS), 6pm
- Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov: Y4/5 class assembly, 9.05am
- Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov: Open day for prospective parents/grandparents/members of the community/current parents - guided tours at 9.45am
- Wed 8<sup>th</sup> Nov: Street dance for Y4/5
- Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Nov: Anti-bullying week
- Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Nov: Choir and PLT at conference, 11.30-3.30pm
- Thu 16<sup>th</sup> Nov: Home School Link 9.30am; AGM for FOMBS, 8pm
- Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Nov: Children in Need fundraiser
- Week beg Mon 20<sup>th</sup> Nov: Assessment week
- Thu 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov: Christmas Fayre (FOMBS)
- Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Nov: FS parents in for workshop and refreshments, 2.15pm
- Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Nov - Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Dec: Y6 on residential
- Wed 6<sup>th</sup> Dec: Parents' evening (further info to follow)
- Thu 7<sup>th</sup> Dec: Home School Link, 9.30am
- Tue 12<sup>th</sup> Dec: Nativity for FS/KS1, 6pm
- Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Dec: Nativity for FS/KS1, 1.45pm
- Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Dec: Touring panto in school in the morning
- Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Dec: KS2 Carol Service, 1.45pm
- Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Dec: Parties in afternoon
- Tue 19<sup>th</sup> Dec: Break up, 2pm

## WELL DONE! to the following pupils who received awards this week:

Acorns Class Values Star: Rose Disney

Chestnuts Class Values Star: Harley Harrison

Sycamores Class Values Star: George Moss

Maples Class Values Star: Alice Shorley

Willows Class Values Star: Hannah Proctor

Oaks Class Values Star: Johnny Walsh

Reading star: Jonathan Denby

Writing star: Jasper Furlong

Maths star: Joshua Grey

PE star: Toby Bellinger

Lunchtime star: Leá Hobbs

Best class attendance: Chestnuts Class

100%

Role-model of the week: Faith Disney



## Message from the Headteacher

What a fabulous first half-term in school it has been! There is so much to celebrate and so much has already been achieved.

Highlights from the half-term include the wide range of clubs in place, the PLT elections, the FOMBS disco, football and hockey partnership tournaments, trips to Junior Citizens (Oaks) and Awful Auntie (Willows) and the lovely performances at our harvest festival this week, to name but a few.

A particular well done to our 21 new Foundation Stage pupils who have all settled in beautifully – it feels as if they have always been with us! We think there may be a few tired children next week though! Watch out for the Oxford Mail on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup>

November where there will be photos of them, in their First Day at School edition. On Monday our values assembly was led by our anti-bullying ambassadors (Sophie, Erin and Tyler) who are running an anti-bullying poster competition – please see the attached flyer. The Y6 children also presented a song, accompanied by tuned percussion, about compassion which set our week off to a great start.

This afternoon I was at Southwold Primary School in Bicester to be on the panel to elect their PLT. After our PLT from last year visited them in the summer term, they have been inspired and are setting up a similar system in their school. We are trailblazers!

Don't forget that the new updated uniform includes the Middle Barton hat and scarf, available for purchasing through the office. All coats and gloves must be navy please – this may be helpful to remember if you are shopping with your child at half-term!

Just a reminder that the after-school book club will start on Wednesday 1st November in the school library between 3 - 3.45pm.

Finally, I wish you all a relaxing and enjoyable half-term with your children. We look forward to seeing all the children again on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October.

### Parent Forum

Thanks to all of you who came along to this last night. We hope it was a useful way of showing how we teach maths through the mastery approach and how that progresses and develops through the school. Thanks too to our maths subject leader, Miss Bingham for leading and preparing the event with enthusiasm and dedication..

### Open day

Our annual open day for prospective parents, grandparents, members of the community and current parents is being held on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November, with guided tours led by the PLT at 9.45am. The tour will include refreshments, a chance to see a range of activities/lessons in progress and a choir performance. We look forward to welcoming you and promoting our wonderful school!

### Sports update

Well done to Ellie, Tegan, Tash, Sophie, Rosa, Ella-Rose, Emily, Charlie, Harry H, Harry L, Harry B, Tyler, Gabriel and George from Y5 and Y6 who participated in our partnership hockey tournament on Wednesday afternoon. A particular well done to sporting champions, Gabriel, Tyler, Ella-Rose and Tegan.

Our sporting house captains have already been very busy and meeting with sports leader, Mrs Henderson, to plan/map out sports events for the year ahead. Watch this space!

### FOMBS update

We raised £119.25 from the cake sale last week – thanks to all for your cake donations and support. Just a reminder that our annual fireworks night is on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Burgers and refreshments will be available so no need to cook that night! Also, our AGM is being held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November at 8pm in the ICT Suite. Please come along to see the highlights of our year and how you can get involved if you would like to.

### Lunchtime supervisor update

We are sad to announce that Mrs Buswell, one of our lunchtime supervisors is leaving. We are still looking for a suitable replacement. Please apply through the office. Thank you.

### Pupil Records

Following the recent updated data check, it will be presumed that parental permission is given to administer first aid and to call a doctor in a medical emergency unless parents tick boxes to indicate otherwise or notify us in writing that they withhold their permission. Our electronic records for all pupils will be updated to reflect this. Please contact the office if you wish to discuss this.

### Nativity news

The Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 children are coming home with the songwords and any narrations for the forthcoming nativity. This is a chance to start practising with your child, particularly if he/she has lines to learn. Your support in this is much appreciated.

### Y4/5 class assembly

Prepare yourselves for a 'gruesome' time because the theme of the forthcoming Willows class assembly is crime and punishment, linking to their recent topic work! We look forward to welcoming you on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 9.05am. The assembly will be followed by refreshments. Please do join us if you can...

### Christmas poster competition

Don't forget that the entries for this competition running in the village are due in on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October at 9am (judging taking place at 9.15am). The children can use any media (but no text) to design a Christmas picture on A4. The winner will get to light the Christmas tree in the village on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November.